

ARKANSAS SENATE
84th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2003
Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 116

"AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR GRANDFATHERING OF ACUPUNCTURISTS RESIDING
AND PRACTICING IN THIS STATE BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE
ARKANSAS ACUPUNCTURE PRACTICES ACT."

Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill No. 116.

Amend Senate Bill No. 116 as engrossed, S2/4/03:

Page 2, line 12, add the following:

"(b) The Secretary of State, upon certification by the board that the applicant has met the following criteria, shall issue a license without examination to an acupuncturist who:

(1)(A) Lived and practiced in this state as of December 31, 1996;

(B) Applied for licensing under Act 816 of 1997;

(C) Applies for licensure within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this act; and

(D)(i) Provides verifiable documentation of completion of an advanced specialty program, externship, residency, internship, or board certification in a recognized Oriental specialty.

(ii) The specialty training shall consist of:

(a) A minimum of one hundred forty-four (144) hours of education completed in not more than two (2) years; and

(b) The educational requirements under the Arkansas Acupuncture Practices Act, § 17-102-101.

(2)(A) Holds a valid license to practice acupuncture or Oriental medicine in another state with comparable licensure standards as determined by the board;

(B)(i) Provides verifiable documentation of completion of an advanced specialty program, externship, residency, internship, or board certification in a recognized Oriental medical specialty.

(ii) The specialty shall consist of a minimum of one hundred forty-four (144) hours of education completed in not more than two (2) years; and

(C) Applies for licensure within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this act."



The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator J. Jeffress

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Secretary