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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1582

5 By: Representatives M. Hodges, L. Johnson, Cloud
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A MULTIYEAR LICENSE OR
9 REGISTRATION FOR A PHYSICIAN BY THE ARKANSAS STATE
10 MEDICAL BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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13 TO AUTHORIZE A MULTIYEAR LICENSE OR
14 REGISTRATION FOR A PHYSICIAN BY THE
15 ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 17, Chapter 95, Subchapter 4, is
22 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

23 17-95-414. Multiyear license or registration for physicians.

24 (a) The Arkansas State Medical Board shall offer a multiyear license
25 or registration for physicians as an option other than the annual renewal of
26 license or registration.

27 (b) Following initial licensure or registration, a physician may
28 request a multiyear license or registration for a period of two (2) years by
29 providing the following information to the board with the application:

30 (1) All information necessary for the licensure or registration
31 under law or rule to include proof of continuing medical education equivalent
32 to the period requesting; and

33 (2) Payment of the fees for licensure or registration for two
34 (2) years, if the requested licensure or registration is for a period of two
35 (2) years.
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SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. Rules.

(a) The Arkansas State Medical Board shall promulgate rules necessary to implement this act.

(b)(1) When adopting the initial rules to implement this act, the final rule shall be filed with the Secretary of State for adoption under § 25-15-204(f):

(A) On or before January 1, 2022; or

(B) If approval under § 10-3-309 has not occurred by January 1, 2022, as soon as practicable after approval under § 10-3-309.

(2) The board shall file the proposed rule with the Legislative Council under § 10-3-309(c) sufficiently in advance of January 1, 2022, so the Legislative Council may consider the rule for approval before January 1, 2022.