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Amendment Form

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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1128

AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS APPROPRIATION FOR
THE 2016-2017 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1128

Amend House Bill No. 1128 as originally introduced:

Page 2, insert additional SECTIONS immediately following SECTION 3 of the bill to read as follows:

" SECTION 4. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. - CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code § 17-81-304, concerning applications for licensing to practice chiropractic, is amended to read as follows:

17-81-304. Application – Fees.

(a)(1)(A) Applications for license to practice chiropractic in the State of Arkansas shall be made to the Executive Director of the Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners in writing on forms furnished by the board.

(B) The application shall be signed by the applicant in his or her own handwriting and acknowledged before an officer authorized to administer oaths.

(2) The applicant must submit proof satisfactory to the board of graduation from a chartered school or college of chiropractic as herein described and file with his or her application the affidavits of at least two (2) licensed and reputable doctors of chiropractic showing him or her to be ~~possessed~~ of good moral character.

(3) The application shall be accompanied by the payment of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150), and fifty dollars (\$50.00) for an orientation fee.

(4) The application shall be filed with the executive director not less than forty-five (45) days ~~prior to~~ before the next regular meeting of the board.

(b) ~~If the applicant is approved, the applicant shall be admitted for examination. Should the applicant pass the examination~~ is approved, no part of the fee shall be returned, and he or she shall be issued a license to practice chiropractic in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

(c) If the applicant is not approved, he or she shall be notified of the reasons for the disapproval.

~~(d) Should an applicant be approved but fail to appear for the~~



~~examination, no part of his or her fee shall be returned, but he or she shall be eligible for examination at a later date upon at least thirty (30) days' prior notice to the board.~~

~~(c) Should the approved applicant fail the examination, no part of his or her fee shall be returned, and he or she shall be eligible for reexamination at a later date, at the discretion of the board, and upon paying an examination fee of twenty five dollars (\$25.00) up to seventy five dollars (\$75.00) per failed subject.~~

SECTION 5. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code § 17-81-305, concerning qualifications of applicants for licensing to practice chiropractic, is amended to read as follows:

17-81-305. Qualifications of applicants.

(a) To qualify ~~to take the examination~~ for licensure, an applicant shall:

- (1) Be at least twenty-one (21) years of age;
- (2) Have successfully completed not less than a minimum of sixty (60) semester credit hours of college education, to include a minimum of thirty (30) semester credit hours in the field of science;
- (3) Not have had a license to practice chiropractic in any other state suspended or revoked nor have been placed on probation for any cause;
- (4) Possess a valid "doctor of chiropractic" degree from a chiropractic institution whose requirements include a course of instruction of not fewer than four (4) years of nine (9) academic months each or not fewer than four thousand four hundred (4,400) fifty-minute resident class hours and include one hundred twenty (120) classroom hours of physiological therapeutics;
- (5) Possess a valid National Board of Chiropractic Examiners certificate, to include Parts I, II, ~~and III~~, and IV and the physiological therapeutics section;
- (6) Be of good moral character;
- (7) Not have been convicted of a felony;
- (8) Not be an habitual user of intoxicants, drugs, or hallucinatory preparations;
- (9) Pay the application fee as provided in § 17-81-304; and
- (10) Cause a certified chiropractic college transcript or National Board of Chiropractic Examiners transcript to be submitted directly from the respective institutions.

(b) An applicant graduated, as of July 19, 1971, from a school or college of chiropractic, the requirements and course of instruction of which were equal and comparable to other recognized schools or colleges of chiropractic at the time of his or her attendance, may be acceptable.

(c) For students enrolled in any approved chiropractic school or college which may not, at the passage date of this act, meet the requirements as set forth in subdivision (a)(4) of this section, the Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners may waive the requirement in individual cases at its discretion.

~~(d) In lieu of the practical examination set out in § 17-81-306, with the exception of subdivision (a)(1)(A) in that section, the applicant may present the board with evidence of passing the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Part IV with a minimum score of 375 which shall be accepted by the board as a passing grade.~~

SECTION 6. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code § 17-81-306 is repealed.

~~17-81-306. Examination.~~

~~(a)(1) Examinations shall be given in English and in writing, except for certain applicants with disabilities such as blind persons, and shall include the following subjects:~~

- ~~(A) Practice management, ethics, and jurisprudence;~~
- ~~(B) Physical and clinical diagnosis;~~
- ~~(C) Chiropractic examination procedures;~~
- ~~(D) Chiropractic adjustive and manipulative therapeutics;~~
- ~~(E) X-ray interpretations; and~~
- ~~(F) Chiropractic philosophy.~~

~~(2) Examinations for applicants having passed Part III on the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners shall include only the following subjects:~~

- ~~(A) Practice, ethics, and jurisprudence;~~
- ~~(B) Chiropractic examination procedures;~~
- ~~(C) Chiropractic adjustive and manipulative therapeutics;~~

and

- ~~(D) Physical and clinical diagnostic methods.~~

~~(b) The Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners shall grade all papers and notify all applicants of the results within forty five (45) days of the examination.~~

~~(c) Each applicant failing the examination shall be furnished a list of his or her grades. He or she shall be eligible for reexamination, as put forth in the rules and regulations of the board, upon request and the payment of the required fee.~~

~~(d) All examination papers shall be retained by the board for a minimum period of two (2) years and shall be available for inspection, by appointment, by any aggrieved applicant."~~

AND

Appropriately renumber the SECTION numbers of the bill.

The Amendment was read _____
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