

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 196

5 By: Senator J. Bookout  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THREE (3) YEARS OF INTERNSHIP  
10 OR RESIDENCY IN AN ACCREDITED, MEDICAL SCHOOL-  
11 AFFILIATED HOSPITAL FOR LICENSURE OF FOREIGN  
12 APPLICATIONS; TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS STATE  
13 MEDICAL BOARD TO REQUIRE THREE (3) YEARS OF  
14 INTERNSHIP FOR ALL APPLICANTS FOR MEDICAL  
15 LICENSURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

17 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THREE (3) YEARS OF  
18 INTERNSHIP OR RESIDENCY FOR FOREIGN  
19 APPLICATIONS FOR MEDICAL LICENSURE.  
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-95-403(b), concerning applications and  
26 qualifications for medical licensure, is amended to read as follows:

27 (b) No person shall be granted a license to practice medicine in the  
28 State of Arkansas unless he or she:

29 (1) Is at least twenty-one (21) years of age;

30 (2) Is of good moral character and has not been guilty of acts  
31 constituting unprofessional conduct as defined in § 17-95-409;

32 (3)(A) Is a graduate of:

33 (i) A recognized United States or Canadian medical  
34 school whose entrance requirements and course of instruction have been  
35 approved by the Council on Medical Education of the American Medical  
36 Association;



1 (ii) A Canadian eclectic medical school which has  
2 been approved by the Council on Medical Education of the National Eclectic  
3 Medical Association; or

4 (iii)(a) A foreign medical school whose entrance  
5 requirements and course of instruction have been approved by the board.

6 (b) He or she must also have:

7 (1) ~~served one (1) year~~ Served three (3)  
8 years as an intern or resident in an accredited medical school-affiliated  
9 hospital in the United States postgraduate medical education program in the  
10 United States; or

11 (2) Completed one (1) year as an intern  
12 or resident in an accredited postgraduate medical education program in the  
13 United States and be currently enrolled in an accredited postgraduate medical  
14 program in Arkansas.

15 (B) However, the board at such time as it deems expedient  
16 may require of all applicants for licensure:

17 (i) a properly verified certificate that they have  
18 served one (1) year of internship in a general accredited hospital; or

19 (ii) A certificate of their service in an accredited  
20 postgraduate medical education program as described in subdivision

21 (b)(3)(A)(iii)(b) of this section; and

22 (4) Has successfully passed an examination approved by the board  
23 as set forth in its rules and regulations.

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25 /s/ J. Bookout  
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