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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 672

5 By: Senator Irvin  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 *AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY FOR EDUCATIONAL*  
9 *LICENSURE FOR PHYSICIANS IN ARKANSAS; TO DECLARE AN*  
10 *EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

### Subtitle

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14 *TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY FOR EDUCATIONAL*  
15 *LICENSURE FOR PHYSICIANS IN ARKANSAS; AND*  
16 *TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.*  
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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 § 17-95-412(b), as amended by Act 147 of 2017*  
22 *and concerning the requirements for an educational license for a physician,*  
23 *is amended to read as follows:*

24 *(b)(1) The physician shall:*

25 *(A) Submit an application to the board;*

26 *(B) Provide information ~~as~~ the board may by rule require;*

27 *(C) Pay a licensure fee that the board may set by rule to*  
28 *cover the costs of administering the program; and*

29 *(D) Be serving as a faculty member or be affiliated with*  
30 *and under the supervision of a faculty member at an academic medical program*  
31 *established by and under the control of ~~a medical school in this state~~*  
32 *~~accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States~~*  
33 *~~Department of Education or approved by the Arkansas Higher Education~~*  
34 *~~Coordinating Board to seek accreditation by an accrediting agency recognized~~*  
35 *~~by the United States Department of Education~~ a medical school accredited by*  
36 *an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education*



1 or approved by the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board to seek  
2 accreditation by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States  
3 Department of Education.

4 (2) *The educational license to practice medicine in the State of*  
5 *Arkansas shall authorize the practice of medicine only within the clinical*  
6 *and educational programs established and administered by a medical school in*  
7 *this state accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United*  
8 *States Department of Education or approved by the Arkansas Higher Education*  
9 *Coordinating Board to seek accreditation by an accrediting agency recognized*  
10 *by the United States Department of Education a medical school accredited by*  
11 *an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education*  
12 *or approved by the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board to seek*  
13 *accreditation by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States*  
14 *Department of Education.*

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16 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. *It is found and determined by the*  
17 *General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that this act amends a portion of*  
18 *law previously amended by Act 147 of 2017; that Act 147 contained an*  
19 *emergency clause and is already in effect; and that this act should become*  
20 *effective at the earliest opportunity to avoid confusion and conflict in the*  
21 *effective date of the two (2) acts. Therefore, an emergency is declared to*  
22 *exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the*  
23 *public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:*

24 (1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

25 (2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,  
26 the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the  
27 bill; or

28 (3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is  
29 overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.

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31 /s/ Irvin  
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