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A Bill

SENATE BILL 456

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE EDUCATIONAL LICENSES ISSUED BY
9 THE ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD; AND FOR OTHER
10 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 TO AMEND THE EDUCATIONAL LICENSES ISSUED
15 BY THE ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-95-412 is amended to read as follows:

21 17-95-412. ~~Educational~~ Academic licenses.

22 (a) The Arkansas State Medical Board may issue an ~~educational~~ academic
23 license to practice medicine to any physician who meets:

24 (1) The qualifications and requirements set forth in the rules
25 of the Arkansas State Medical Board; and

26 (2) The conditions and requirements set forth in subsection (b)
27 of this section.

28 (b)(1) The physician shall:

29 (A) Submit an application to the Arkansas State Medical
30 Board;

31 (B) Provide information the Arkansas State Medical Board
32 may by rule require;

33 (C) Pay a licensure fee that the Arkansas State Medical
34 Board may set by rule to cover the costs of administering the Alternative to
35 Discipline Program; and

36 (D) Be serving as a faculty member in the State of



1 Arkansas ~~or be affiliated with and~~ under the supervision of a faculty member
2 licensed by the Arkansas State Medical Board at an academic medical program
3 accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or the
4 American Osteopathic Association operated in the State of Arkansas and
5 established by and under the control of a medical school established in the
6 State of Arkansas and accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the
7 United States Department of Education or approved by the Arkansas Higher
8 Education Coordinating Board to seek accreditation by an accrediting agency
9 recognized by the United States Department of Education.

10 (2) The ~~educational~~ academic license to practice medicine in the
11 State of Arkansas shall authorize the practice of medicine only within the
12 clinical and educational programs in the State of Arkansas that are
13 established and administered by a medical school established in the State of
14 Arkansas and accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United
15 States Department of Education or approved by the Arkansas Higher Education
16 Coordinating Board to seek accreditation by an accrediting agency recognized
17 by the United States Department of Education.

18 (3) An academic license shall only be granted after an academic
19 medical program as described in subdivision (b)(1)(D) of this section has
20 presented documentation acceptable to the Arkansas State Medical Board
21 confirming that the academic medical program has been unable to recruit a
22 physician who is trained in the United States and has similar qualifications
23 and training for the designated position over the previous twelve (12)
24 months.

25 (c)(1) The Arkansas State Medical Board shall issue each ~~educational~~
26 academic license for a period of one (1) year.

27 (2) At the end of the one (1) year, the academic license shall
28 lapse, and the physician shall make an additional application to the Arkansas
29 State Medical Board if the physician desires to continue the practice of
30 medicine under the academic license.

31 (3) At the end of the second year of practice with an academic
32 license, the physician is eligible for an active, unrestricted license to
33 practice medicine in the state and shall be granted an active, unrestricted
34 license to practice medicine in the state upon application.

35 (d) A physician who obtains an ~~educational~~ academic license to
36 practice medicine in the State of Arkansas shall comply with the Arkansas

1 Medical Practices Act, § 17-95-201 et seq., § 17-95-301 et seq., and § 17-95-
2 401 et seq., and all rules of the Arkansas State Medical Board.

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