

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Bill No. 1816, Page 1, Section A, Line 2, by inserting after all of said section and
2 line the following:

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4 "334.040. 1. Except as provided in section 334.260, all persons desiring to practice as
5 physicians and surgeons in this state shall be examined as to their fitness to engage in such practice
6 by the board. All persons applying for examination shall file a completed application with the
7 board upon forms furnished by the board.

8 2. The examination shall be sufficient to test the applicant's fitness to practice as a physician
9 and surgeon. The examination shall be conducted in such a manner as to conceal the identity of the
10 applicant until all examinations have been scored. In all such examinations an average score of not
11 less than seventy-five percent is required to pass; provided, however, that the board may require
12 applicants to take the Federation Licensing Examination, also known as FLEX, or the United States
13 Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE). If the FLEX examination is required, a weighted
14 average score of no less than seventy-five is required to pass. Scores from one test administration of
15 [the FLEX] an examination shall not be combined or averaged with scores from other test
16 administrations to achieve a passing score. [The passing score of the United States Medical
17 Licensing Examination shall be determined by the board through rule and regulation.] Applicants
18 graduating from a medical or osteopathic college, as [defined] described in section 334.031 prior to
19 January 1, 1994, shall provide proof of successful completion of the FLEX, USMLE, [an exam
20 administered by] the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners [(NBOME),]
21 Comprehensive Licensing Exam (COMLEX), a state board examination approved by the board,
22 compliance with subsection 2 of section 334.031, or compliance with 20 CSR 2150-2.005.
23 Applicants graduating from a medical or osteopathic college, as [defined] described in section
24 334.031 on or after January 1, 1994, must provide proof of successful completion of the USMLE or
25 [an exam administered by NBOME] the COMLEX or provide proof of compliance with subsection
26 2 of section 334.031. The board shall not issue a permanent license as a physician and surgeon or
27 allow the Missouri state board examination to be administered to any applicant who has failed to
28 achieve a passing score within three attempts on licensing examinations administered in one or more
29 states or territories of the United States, the District of Columbia or Canada, unless the applicant
30 petitions the board for an exception based upon unusual or extenuating circumstances that the board
31 may deem reasonable. The steps one, two and three of the United States Medical Licensing
32 Examination shall be taken within a seven-year period with no more than three attempts on any step
33 of the examination; however, an applicant may petition the board for an exception to such
34 requirements based upon unusual or extenuating circumstances that the board may deem reasonable.
35 The board also may grant an extension of the seven-year period if the applicant has obtained a
36 MD/PhD degree in a program accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME)

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1 and a regional university accrediting body or a DO/PhD degree accredited by the American
2 Osteopathic Association and a regional university accrediting body. The board may waive the
3 provisions of this section if the applicant is licensed to practice as a physician and surgeon in
4 another state of the United States, the District of Columbia or Canada and the applicant has
5 achieved a passing score on a licensing examination administered in a state or territory of the United
6 States or the District of Columbia and no license issued to the applicant has been disciplined in any
7 state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia [and the applicant is certified in the
8 applicant's area of specialty by the American Board of Medical Specialties, the American
9 Osteopathic Association, or other certifying agency approved by the board by rule].

10 3. If the board waives the provisions of this section, then the license issued to the applicant
11 may be limited or restricted to the applicant's board specialty. The board shall not be permitted to
12 favor any particular school or system of healing.

13 4. If an applicant has not actively engaged in the practice of clinical medicine or held a
14 teaching or faculty position in a medical or osteopathic school approved by the American Medical
15 Association, the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, or the American Osteopathic
16 Association for any two years in the three-year period immediately preceding the filing of his or her
17 application for licensure, the board may require successful completion of another examination,
18 continuing medical education, or further training before issuing a permanent license. The board
19 shall adopt rules to prescribe the form and manner of such reexamination, continuing medical
20 education, and training."; and

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22 Further amend said bill and page, Section 334.285, Line 2, by deleting the word "Continuous" and
23 inserting in lieu thereof the word "Continuing"; and

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25 Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 9, by deleting the word "continuous" and inserting
26 in lieu thereof the word "continuing"; and

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28 Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 16, by deleting the word "continuous" and inserting
29 in lieu thereof the word "continuing"; and

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31 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
32 accordingly.

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