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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to health professionals; allowing licensure of graduates of foreign
1.3 medical or osteopathic schools under certain conditions; proposing coding for
1.4 new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 147.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. [147.0375] MEDICAL FACULTY LICENSE.

1.7 Subdivision 1. Requirements. (a) The board shall issue a license to practice
1.8 medicine to any person who satisfies the requirements in paragraphs (b) to (e).

1.9 (b) The applicant must satisfy the requirements in section 147.02, subdivision 1,
1.10 paragraphs (a), (e), (f), (g), and (h).

1.11 (c) The applicant must present evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant
1.12 is a graduate of a medical or osteopathic school approved by the board as equivalent to
1.13 accredited United States or Canadian schools based on its faculty, curriculum, facilities,
1.14 accreditation, or other relevant data. If the applicant is a graduate of a medical or
1.15 osteopathic program that is not accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education
1.16 or the American Osteopathic Association, the applicant may use the Federation of State
1.17 Medical Boards' Federation Credentials Verification Service (FCVS) or its successor. If
1.18 the applicant uses this service as allowed under this paragraph, the physician application
1.19 fee may be less than \$200 but must not exceed the cost of administering this paragraph.

1.20 (d) The applicant must present evidence satisfactory to the board of the completion
1.21 of two years of graduate, clinical medical training in a program located in the United
1.22 States, its territories, or Canada and accredited by a national accrediting organization
1.23 approved by the board. This requirement does not apply:

2.1 (1) to an applicant who is admitted as a permanent immigrant to the United States on
2.2 or before October 1, 1991, as a person of exceptional ability in the sciences according to
2.3 Code of Federal Regulations, title 20, section 656.22(d);

2.4 (2) to an applicant holding a valid license to practice medicine in another state or
2.5 country and issued a permanent immigrant visa after October 1, 1991, as a person of
2.6 extraordinary ability in the field of science or as an outstanding professor or researcher
2.7 according to Code of Federal Regulations, title 8, section 204.5(h) and (i), or a temporary
2.8 nonimmigrant visa or status as a person of extraordinary ability in the field of science
2.9 according to Code of Federal Regulations, title 8, section 214.2(o); or

2.10 (3) to an applicant who is licensed in another state, has practiced five years without
2.11 disciplinary action in the United States, its territories, or Canada, has completed one
2.12 year of the graduate, clinical medical training required by this paragraph, and has passed
2.13 the special purpose examination of the Federation of State Medical Boards within three
2.14 attempts in the 24 months before licensing.

2.15 (e) The applicant must present evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant
2.16 has been appointed to serve as a faculty member of a medical school accredited by the
2.17 Liaison Committee on Medical Education or an osteopathic medical school accredited
2.18 by the American Osteopathic Association.

2.19 Subd. 2. **Medical school review.** The board may contract with any qualified person
2.20 or organization for the performance of a review or investigation, including site visits
2.21 if necessary, of any medical or osteopathic school before approving the school under
2.22 subdivision 1, paragraph (c), or section 147.02, subdivision 1, paragraph (b). To the
2.23 extent possible, the board shall require the school being reviewed to pay the costs of the
2.24 review or investigation.

2.25 Subd. 3. **Resignation or termination for the medical faculty position.** If a person
2.26 holding a license issued under this section resigns or is terminated from the academic
2.27 medical center in which the licensee is employed as a faculty member, the licensee
2.28 must notify the board in writing no later than 30 days after the date of termination or
2.29 resignation. Upon notification of resignation or termination, the board shall terminate
2.30 the medical license.

2.31 Subd. 4. **Reporting obligation.** A person holding a license issued under this section
2.32 is subject to the reporting obligations of section 147.111.

2.33 Subd. 5. **Limitation of practice.** A person issued a license under this section may
2.34 only practice medicine within the clinical setting of the academic medical center where
2.35 the licensee is an appointed faculty member or within a physician group practice affiliated
2.36 with the academic medical center.

- 3.1 Subd. 6. **Continuing education.** The licensee must meet the continuing education
- 3.2 requirements under Minnesota Rules, chapter 5605.
- 3.3 Subd. 7. **Expiration.** This section expires July 1, 2018.