

CHAPTER 67—H.F.No. 1421

An act relating to professions; modifying temporary permit requirements for podiatrists; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 153.16, subdivision 3; and 153.17, subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 153.16, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **TEMPORARY PERMIT.** Upon payment of a fee and in accordance with the rules of the board, the board may issue a temporary permit to practice podiatric medicine to a podiatrist engaged in a clinical residency or preceptorship for a period not to exceed 12 months. A temporary permit may be extended under the following conditions:

(1) the applicant submits acceptable evidence that the training was interrupted by circumstances beyond the control of the applicant and that the sponsor of the program agrees to the extension;

(2) the applicant is continuing in a residency that extends for more than one year; or

(3) the applicant is continuing in a residency that extends for more than two years.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 153.17, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **PRACTICE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE DEFINED.** It is unlawful for any person not holding a valid license or permit issued in accordance with this chapter to:

(1) advertise, hold out to the public, or represent in any manner that the person is authorized to practice podiatric medicine in this state;

(2) use in the conduct of any occupation or profession pertaining to the diagnosis or medical, mechanical, or surgical treatment of the ailments of the human hand, foot, ankle, or soft tissue of the lower leg distal to the tibial tuberosity, the designation "doctor of podiatric medicine," "podiatrist," "D.P.M.," "podiatric physician," "chiroprapist," "foot specialist," or "foot doctor," or uses any title, degree, letter, syllable, word, or words that would tend to lead the public to believe that person was authorized to practice or assume duties incident to the practice of podiatric medicine.

Sec. 3. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 1 and 2 are effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor April 16, 1999

Signed by the governor April 20, 1999, 9:08 a.m.

New language is indicated by underline, deletions by ~~strikeout~~.