

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 shall not be combined or averaged with scores from other test administrations to achieve
16 a passing score. The passing score of the United States Medical Licensing Examination shall be
17 determined by the board through rule and regulation. Applicants graduating from a medical or
18 osteopathic college, as [defined] described in section 334.031 prior to January 1, 1994, shall provide
19 proof of successful completion of the FLEX, USMLE, an exam administered by the National Board
20 of Osteopathic Medical Examiners (NBOME), a state board examination approved by the board,
21 compliance with subsection 2 of section 334.031, or compliance with 20 CSR 2150-2.005.
22 Applicants graduating from a medical or osteopathic college, as [defined] described in section
23 334.031 on or after January 1, 1994, must provide proof of successful completion of the USMLE or
24 an exam administered by NBOME or provide proof of compliance with subsection 2 of section
25 334.031. The board shall not issue a permanent license as a physician and surgeon or allow the
26 Missouri state board examination to be administered to any applicant who has failed to achieve a
27 passing score within three attempts on licensing examinations administered in one or more states or
28 territories of the United States, the District of Columbia or Canada, unless the applicant petitions the
29 board for an exception based upon unusual or extenuating circumstances that the board may deem
30 reasonable. The steps one, two and three of the United States Medical Licensing Examination shall
31 be taken within a seven-year period with no more than three attempts on any step of the
32 examination; however, an applicant may petition the board for an exception to such requirements
33 based upon unusual or extenuating circumstances that the board may deem reasonable. The board
34 also may grant an extension of the seven-year period if the applicant has obtained a MD/PhD degree
35 in a program accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) and a regional
36 university accrediting body or a DO/PhD degree accredited by the American Osteopathic

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

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

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

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

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

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

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