

## CHAPTER 97-295

### Senate Bill No. 1784

An act relating to medical practice; amending s. 458.311, F.S.; providing for certain persons to take the licensure examination without applying for a license; providing fees; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (10) is added to section 458.311, Florida Statutes, 1996 Supplement, to read:

458.311 Licensure by examination; requirements; fees.—

(10) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, the department shall examine any person who meets the criteria in sub-subparagraph (1)(f)1.a., sub-subparagraphs (1)(f)3.a. and b., or subsection (3), if the person:

(a) Submits proof of successful completion of steps I and II of the United States Medical Licensing Examination or the equivalent, as defined by board rule;

(b) Is participating full-time in an allocated slot in an allopathic training program in this state at the time of examination;

(c) Makes a written request to the department to take the examination without applying for licensure as a physician; and

(d) Remits a nonrefundable administration fee, not to exceed \$50, and an examination fee, not to exceed \$300, plus the actual cost per person to the department for the purchase of the examination from the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States or a similar national organization. The examination fee is refundable if the person is found to be ineligible to take the examination.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1997.

Became a law without the Governor's approval June 1, 1997.

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