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[Passed March 7, 1975; in effect July 1, 1975.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section four, article three, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to persons permitted to practice medicine and surgery; certain physicians not to be ineligible to practice under temporary license permit in certain facilities; additional facilities wherein certain physicians may be eligible to practice under temporary license permit; certain physicians not to be ineligible to practice under temporary license permit for failure to pass medical examination.

### Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section four, article three, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

#### ARTICLE 3. PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS.

- §30-3-4. Who permitted to practice medicine and surgery in this state; licensing of licensed practitioners from other states; permits to practice in prescribed areas.
  - 1 The following persons and no others shall hereafter be
  - 2 permitted to practice medicine and surgery in this state:
  - 3 (a) All such persons as shall be legally entitled to prac-
  - 4 tice medicine and surgery in this state including those
  - 5 persons holding temporary permits to practice in pre-
  - 6 scribed areas as of the effective date of this section; (b)
  - 7 all such persons as shall be graduates of medical schools,

as approved by the medical licensing board of West Virginia, and who provide their original diplomas or evi-10 dence thereof for authentication by the medical licensing 11 board, and who shall pass an examination before the 12 medical licensing board and shall receive a certificate 13 therefrom as hereinafter provided: Provided, That the said board, or a majority of them, may accept in lieu of 15 an examination of applicants, the certificate of the 16 national board of medical examiners, or diplomate certifi-17 cate from an American specialty board, such certification shall be limited to that specific specialty in the practice 19 of medicine and surgery in this state, or the certificate of 20 license to practice medicine and surgery legally granted by the state board of registration or examination or licensing board of another state or territory, whose stand-23 ard of qualification for the practice of medicine and 24 surgery is equivalent to that of this state, and grant to 25 such applicant a certificate of license to practice medi-26 cine and surgery in this state: Provided, however, That 27 any physician who has been certified by the Educational 28 Council for Foreign Medical Graduates or who, as of the 29 effective date of this section, holds a temporary permit to practice in a prescribed area, shall not be ineligible for a 31 temporary license permit to practice in any mental health 32 or state owned facility and, when under the supervision 33 of a licensed physician, in any hospital, clinic, physician's 34 office and any other approved health care facility until 35 July one, one thousand nine hundred eighty, by virtue 36 of his failure to pass the medical examination prescribed 37 by the board, so long as such physician shall take said 38 examination at least once each year: Provided, That the 39 board shall not limit the number of times a physician 40 may take the medical examination. Whenever in the judg-41 ment of the medical licensing board a condition exists 42 in which medical service may be required, the said 43 board is authorized to grant permits for the practice of 44 medicine to qualified physicians in prescribed areas, and 45 such permits shall be subject to revocation when the 46 agreement, under which they were issued, has been 47 violated.

48 A fee of one hundred dollars shall accompany each

- 49 application for licensure by examination, reexamination,
- 50 or reciprocity, twenty-five dollars of which shall be re-
- 51 tained by the board in the event an application is with-
- 52 drawn or rejected. A fee of twenty-five dollars shall
- 53 accompany each application for temporary permits and
- 54 a fee of ten dollars shall accompany each application for
- 55 an extension thereof.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

. Davis Chairman Senate Committee Chairman House Committee Originated in the Senate. Takes effect July 1, 1975. Clerk of the Senate, President of the Senate Speaker House of Delegates The within Appened this the 20th ay of Narch, 1975. day of

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