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### HOUSE BILL No. 758

(By Mr. Konp.)

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(By Mr. Kopp)

[Passed February 12, 1970: in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections four, seven and eight, article twenty, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to raising the application and renewal fees for licenses for physical therapists.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections four, seven and eight, article twenty, 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 20. PHYSICAL THERAPISTS.

§30-20-4. Qualifications of applicants for license; applications; fee.

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- To be eligible for license by the board as a physical
   therapist, each applicant must:
- 3 a. Be at least twenty-one years old.
- 4 b. Be of good moral character.
- 5 c. Not be addicted to the intemperate use of alcohol6 or narcotic drugs.
- 7 d. Be a citizen of the United States or have obtained8 a declaration of intention of becoming a citizen.

9 e. Present evidence that he is a graduate of a school 10 of physical therapy approved by the American physical therapy association and the board: Provided, That any 11 person who received his education in physical therapy 12 13 outside of the United States may qualify for a license 14 by fulfilling those requirements of the American physical 15 therapy association and the medical board, including successful completion of a period of supervised clinical 16 17 experience and a written examination provided by the 18 board: Provided, however, That on or before the thirtieth

19 day of June, one thousand nine hundred sixty-six, any 20 person who has practiced physical therapy in this state 21 for five continuous years prior to the effective date of 22 this article under the prescription and direction of a 23 licensed physician or surgeon may qualify for a license 24 by successful completion of a written examination pro-25 vided by the board.

f. Either (1) pass to the satisfaction of the board an
examination conducted by it to determine his fitness for
practice as a physical therapist; or (2) be entitled to be
licensed without examination as provided in section seven
of this article.

31 Unless entitled to be licensed under section seven of this article, a person who desires to be licensed as a 32 33 physical therapist shall apply to the board, in writing, 34 on a blank furnished by the board. He shall embody in 35 that application evidence under oath, satisfactory to the board, of his possessing the qualifications preliminary 36 to examination required by this section. He shall pay 37 38 to the board a fee of fifty dollars at the time of filing his application, no part of which shall be refunded. 39

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§30-20-7. Registration without examination; reciprocity; fees. The board shall register as a physical therapist any 1 2 person who (1) applies for such registration after the effective date of this article and (2) at the time of the 3 effective date of this article is a member of or is eligible 4 for membership in the American physical therapy associ-5 ation or the American registry of physical therapists; 6 and (3) is residing in the state at the time of the effective 7 8 date of this article. At the time of making such appli-9 cation, such applicant shall pay the board a fee of fifty 10 dollars.

11 The board shall license as a physical therapist, without 12 examination, on the payment of a fee of fifty dollars, any applicant for registration who is a physical therapist 13 14 registered or licensed under the laws of another state, territory, or the District of Columbia, if the requirements 15 16 for registration or license of physical therapists in the state, territory, or the District of Columbia, in which 17 18 the applicant was registered or licensed, were at the date 19 of his registration substantially equal to the requirements

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20 in this article and if he meets all existing rules and regu-21 lations set by the board.

§30-20-8. Renewal of registration; fee; inactive list.

1 Every physical therapist shall renew his license on or 2 before January one of each year by payment of a fee of ten dollars. Any license that is not so renewed shall 3 automatically lapse. The board may in its discretion 4 5 renew a lapsed license on the payment of all unpaid fees. 6 A person licensed under the provisions of this article, 7 desiring to retire from practice temporarily, shall send a written notice to the board. Upon receipt of such 8 9 notice, the board shall place the name of such person upon the inactive list. While remaining on this list the 10 11 person shall not be subject to the payment of any fee and shall not practice physical therapy in the state. When 12 13 such person desires to resume practice, application for renewal of license and payment of renewal fee for the 14 current year shall be made to the board. 15

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

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