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HOUSE BILL No. 2566

(By Delegate Anderson, Border, Beane, Stalnaker,  
Leach, Mezzatesta and Douglas )



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AN ACT to amend and reenact section eleven, article thirty-four, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to respiratory care practitioners; and terminating the temporary license for respiratory care practitioners on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred ninety-seven.

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

That section eleven, article thirty-four, 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 34. BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONERS.**

**§30-34-11. Examination requirement; termination of temporary licenses.**

- 1 (a) After the establishment of the board of
- 2 respiratory care, a license shall be issued to applicants who,
- 3 on the effective date of this article, have passed the
- 4 National Board of Respiratory Care, Inc., entry-level or

5 registry examinations, or their equivalent as approved by  
6 the board.

7 (b) Applicants who have not passed either of these  
8 national examinations or their equivalent and who,  
9 through written evidence verified by oath, demonstrate  
10 that they have been functioning for two years in the  
11 capacity of a respiratory care provider as defined by this  
12 article shall be issued a temporary license to practice  
13 respiratory care. A temporary license shall be valid until  
14 the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine  
15 hundred ninety-seven. Persons holding a temporary  
16 license shall be issued a license to practice only after  
17 achieving a passing score on a licensure exam  
18 administered or approved by the board. After the thirty-  
19 first day of December, one thousand nine hundred  
20 ninety-seven, persons who have not passed either of these  
21 national examinations or their equivalent shall not be  
22 licensed to practice respiratory care until they have  
23 achieved a passing score on a licensure exam administered  
24 or approved by the board.

25 (c) Any person issued a license pursuant to this  
26 section shall be required to pay the license or renewal fees  
27 established in section seven of this article.

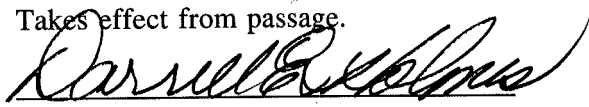
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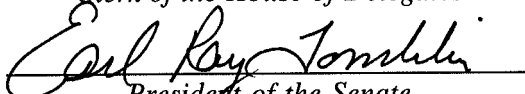
  
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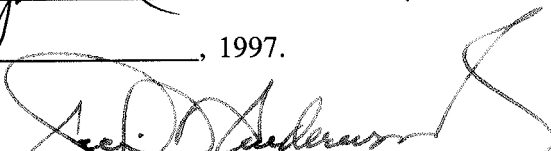
  
Clerk of the Senate

  
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President of the Senate

  
Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 2nd  
day of May, 1997.

  
Governor

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