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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1582

By: Representatives M. Hodges, L. Johnson, Cloud

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A MULTIYEAR LICENSE OR
REGISTRATION FOR A PHYSICIAN BY THE ARKANSAS STATE
MEDICAL BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AUTHORIZE A MULTIYEAR LICENSE OR
REGISTRATION FOR A PHYSICIAN BY THE
ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 17, Chapter 95, Subchapter 4, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

17-95-414. Multiyear license or registration for physicians.

(a) The Arkansas State Medical Board shall offer a multiyear license or registration for physicians as an option other than the annual renewal of license or registration.

(b) Following initial licensure or registration, a physician may request a multiyear license or registration for a period of two (2) years by providing the following information to the board with the application:

(1) All information necessary for the licensure or registration under law or rule to include proof of continuing medical education equivalent to the period requesting; and

(2) Payment of the fees for licensure or registration for two (2) years, if the requested licensure or registration is for a period of two (2) years.



SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. Rules.

(a) The Arkansas State Medical Board shall promulgate rules necessary to implement this act.

(b)(1) When adopting the initial rules to implement this act, the final rule shall be filed with the Secretary of State for adoption under § 25-15-204(f):

(A) On or before January 1, 2022; or

(B) If approval under § 10-3-309 has not occurred by January 1, 2022, as soon as practicable after approval under § 10-3-309.

(2) The board shall file the proposed rule with the Legislative Council under § 10-3-309(c) sufficiently in advance of January 1, 2022, so the Legislative Council may consider the rule for approval before January 1, 2022.

APPROVED: 4/20/21