

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

State of Arkansas      *As Engrossed: S3/16/17 S3/22/17 S3/22/17*  
91st General Assembly      **A Bill**  
Regular Session, 2017

SENATE BILL 672

By: Senator Irvin

### **For An Act To Be Entitled**

*AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY FOR EDUCATIONAL  
LICENSURE FOR PHYSICIANS IN ARKANSAS; TO DECLARE AN  
EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

### **Subtitle**

*TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY FOR EDUCATIONAL  
LICENSURE FOR PHYSICIANS IN ARKANSAS; AND  
TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.*

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

*SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-95-412(b), as amended by Act 147 of 2017 and concerning the requirements for an educational license for a physician, is amended to read as follows:*

*(b)(1) The physician shall:*

- (A) Submit an application to the board;*
- (B) Provide information ~~as~~ the board may by rule require;*
- (C) Pay a licensure fee that the board may set by rule to cover the costs of administering the program; and*
- (D) Be serving as a faculty member in the State of Arkansas or be affiliated with and under the supervision of a faculty member licensed by the board at an academic medical program accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or the American Osteopathic Association operated in the State of Arkansas and established by and under the control of a medical school in this state accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education or approved by the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board to seek*



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(2) ~~The educational license to practice medicine in the State of Arkansas shall authorize the practice of medicine only within the clinical and educational programs in the State of Arkansas that are established and administered by a medical school in this state accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education or approved by the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board to seek accreditation by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education a medical school accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education or approved by the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board to seek accreditation by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education.~~

SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that this act amends a portion of law previously amended by Act 147 of 2017; that Act 147 contained an emergency clause and is already in effect; and that this act should become effective at the earliest opportunity to avoid confusion and conflict in the effective date of the two (2) acts. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.

/s/Irvin