

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL HB1140

By: Peters

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to professions and occupations; authorizing issuance of a special volunteer medical license for certain physicians; specifying purpose; limiting collection of certain fees; specifying certain requirements; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 493.5 of Title 59, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is established a special volunteer medical license for physicians who are retired from active practice and wish to donate their expertise for the medical care and treatment of indigent and needy persons or persons in medically underserved areas of the state. The special volunteer medical license shall be:

1. Issued by the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision to eligible physicians;
2. Issued with the payment of an application fee, license fee or renewal fee of not more than Forty Dollars (\$40.00);
3. Issued or renewed without any continuing education requirements;
4. Issued for a fiscal year or part thereof; and
5. Renewable annually upon approval of the Board.

B. A physician must meet the following requirements to be eligible for a special volunteer medical license:

1. Completion of a special volunteer medical license application, including documentation of the physician's medical school graduation and practice history;

2. Documentation that the physician has been previously issued a full and unrestricted license to practice medicine in Oklahoma or in another state of the United States and that he or she has never been the subject of any medical disciplinary action in any jurisdiction;

3. Acknowledgement and documentation that the physician's practice under the special volunteer medical license will be exclusively and totally devoted to providing medical care to needy and indigent persons in Oklahoma or persons in medically underserved areas in Oklahoma; and

4. Acknowledgement and documentation that the physician will not receive or have the expectation to receive any payment or compensation, either direct or indirect, for any medical services rendered under the special volunteer medical license.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 635.1 of Title 59, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is established a special volunteer medical license for physicians who are retired from active practice and wish to donate their expertise for the medical care and treatment of indigent and needy persons or persons in medically underserved areas of the state. The special volunteer medical license shall be:

1. Issued by the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners to eligible physicians;

2. Issued with a payment of an application fee, license fee or renewal fee of not more than Forty Dollars (\$40.00);

3. Issued or renewed without any continuing education requirements;

4. Issued for a fiscal year or part thereof; and

5. Renewable annually upon approval of the Board.

B. A physician must meet the following requirements to be eligible for a special volunteer medical license:

1. Completion of a special volunteer medical license application, including documentation of the physician's osteopathic school graduation and practice history;

2. Documentation that the physician has been previously issued a full and unrestricted license to practice medicine in Oklahoma or in another state of the United States and that he or she has never been the subject of any medical disciplinary action in any jurisdiction;

3. Acknowledgement and documentation that the physician's practice under the special volunteer medical license will be exclusively and totally devoted to providing medical care to needy and indigent persons in Oklahoma or persons in medically underserved areas in Oklahoma; and

4. Acknowledgement and documentation that the physician will not receive or have the expectation to receive any payment or compensation, either direct or indirect, for any medical services rendered under the special volunteer medical license.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2003.

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