

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 682

By: Marlatt of the Senate

3 and

4 McDugle of the House
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6 An Act relating to Podiatric Medicine Practice Act;
7 amending 59 O.S. 2011, Section 144, as amended by
8 Section 1, Chapter 185, O.S.L. 2013 (59 O.S. Supp.
9 2016, Section 144), which relates to qualifications
of applicants; increasing required residency time;
specifying certain application; and providing an
effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 144, as
14 amended by Section 1, Chapter 185, O.S.L. 2013 (59 O.S. Supp. 2016,
15 Section 144), is amended to read as follows:

16 Section 144. A. The fee for examination for a license to
17 practice podiatric medicine in this state shall be One Hundred
18 Dollars (\$100.00). The Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners may
19 increase this fee by not more than an additional Two Hundred Dollars
20 (\$200.00). The examination for such license shall be given by the
21 Board. The Board may give the examination at any special meeting,
22 but shall not be required to do so. The Board may utilize the
23 National Board of Podiatric Examiners' National Board Examination
24 Part III as the written portion of the state licensing exam.

1 B. To be entitled to take the examination, a person shall:

2 1. File a written application on a form prescribed by the
3 Board;

4 2. Pay to the secretary-treasurer of the Board in advance the
5 fee for examination;

6 3. Satisfy the Board that the person is loyal to the United
7 States of America;

8 4. Be more than twenty-one (21) years of age;

9 5. Be of good moral character;

10 6. Not have been finally convicted of any crime involving moral
11 turpitude or of any felony;

12 7. Be free from contagious or infectious disease;

13 8. Be a graduate of an accredited college of podiatric
14 medicine; and

15 9. Have complied with applicable Board rules.

16 C. An applicant satisfying the requirements of subsection B of
17 this section shall receive a license to practice podiatric medicine
18 in this state, to be issued by the Board, if the applicant:

19 1. Takes the examination administered or approved by the Board
20 and receives a passing score of at least seventy-five percent (75%)
21 on both the written and oral portions. An applicant receiving less
22 than a score of seventy-five percent (75%) on either the written or
23 oral portion of the examination shall be deemed to have failed the
24 entire examination;

1 2. Satisfactorily completes a podiatric surgical residency,
2 approved by the Council of Podiatric Medical Education of the
3 American Podiatric Medical Association, of not less than ~~three~~
4 ~~hundred sixty-five (365) days~~ three (3) years; provided, the
5 provisions of this paragraph shall only apply to applicants after
6 March 1, 2018; and

7 3. Satisfies the Board that the applicant has not violated any
8 of the provisions of the Podiatric Medicine Practice Act or any of
9 the rules of the Board.

10 D. The examination administered or approved by the Board shall
11 include both a written and an oral portion, shall be administered in
12 the English language, and shall cover areas in anatomy, pathology,
13 podiatric medicine and surgery, dermatology, pharmacology,
14 biomechanics, anesthesia, radiology, Oklahoma law relating to
15 podiatric medicine, and such other subjects as the Board from time
16 to time determines necessary and appropriate. The Board may
17 authorize examination papers to be graded by one or more of its own
18 members or by any one or more licensed podiatric physicians selected
19 by the Board. Each license issued by the Board shall be signed by
20 each member of the Board, bear the seal of the Board, and designate
21 the licensee as a licensed podiatric physician.

22 E. The Board may issue a temporary license if the applicant:

23 1. Has met the requirements of subsection B of this section;
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1 2. Takes the examination administered or approved by the Board
2 and receives a passing score of at least seventy-five percent (75%)
3 on both the written and oral portions. An applicant receiving less
4 than a score of seventy-five percent (75%) on either the written or
5 oral portion of the examination shall be deemed to have failed the
6 entire examination;

7 3. Is within ninety (90) days of completing or has completed a
8 podiatric surgical residency, approved by the Council of Podiatric
9 Medical Education of the American Podiatric Medical Association, of
10 not less than ~~three hundred sixty-five (365) days~~ three (3) years;
11 provided, the provisions of this paragraph shall only apply to
12 applicants after March 1, 2018; and

13 4. Satisfies the Board that the applicant has not violated any
14 of the provisions of the Podiatric Medicine Practice Act or any of
15 the rules of the Board.

16 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.
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1 Passed the Senate the 7th day of March, 2017.

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4 Presiding Officer of the Senate

5 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
6 2017.

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