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An Act relating to the Oklahoma Licensed Perfusionists Act; amending 59 O.S. 2011, Section 2059, which relates to licensure requirements; permitting State Board of Examiners of Perfusionists to screen certain documents through certain methods; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 2059, is amended to read as follows:

Section 2059. A. Except as otherwise provided in the Oklahoma Licensed Perfusionists Act, on and after January 1, 1997, no person shall practice perfusion in this state unless licensed pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Licensed Perfusionists Act.

B. No person shall be licensed to practice perfusion in this state except upon a finding by the State Board of Examiners of Perfusionists that such person:

1. Has fully complied with all applicable licensure requirements of the Oklahoma Licensed Perfusionists Act;

2. Is of good moral character; and

1 3. Has produced satisfactory evidence to the Board of the
2 ability of the applicant to practice perfusion with reasonable skill
3 and safety.

4 C. An applicant for a perfusionist license must submit a sworn
5 application accompanied by an application fee specified in Section
6 2071 of this title in an amount set by rule of the Board.

7 D. The Board shall prescribe the form of the application and by
8 rule may establish dates by which applications and fees must be
9 received. These rules must not be inconsistent with present rules
10 of the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision related to
11 application dates of other licenses. The Board may review and
12 verify medical credentials and screen applicant records through
13 recognized national information services.

14 E. To qualify for the examination for licensure, the applicant
15 must have successfully completed a perfusion education program
16 approved by the Board.

17 F. In approving perfusion education programs necessary for
18 qualification for examination, the Board shall approve only a
19 program that has educational standards that are at least as
20 stringent as those established by the Accreditation Committee for
21 Perfusion Education and approved by the Committee on Allied Health
22 Education and Accreditation of the American Medical Association or
23 their successors.

1 G. Not later than the forty-fifth day after the date of receipt
2 of a properly submitted and timely application and not later than
3 the thirtieth day before the next examination date, the Board shall
4 notify an applicant in writing that the applicant's application and
5 any other relevant evidence pertaining to applicant qualifications
6 established by the Board by rule have been received and
7 investigated. The notice shall state whether the application and
8 other evidence submitted have qualified the applicant for
9 examination. If the applicant has not qualified for examination,
10 the notice shall state the reasons for lack of qualification.

11 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

12 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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