

**Bill Summary**  
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 685 authorizes the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners to review applications by circularization and vote to approve an application in this manner. Circularization is defined as a process by which the full Board may review and vote on licensure applications in between regular board meetings to expedite the licensure process. The vote must be unanimous and approved at a meeting of the Board. Additionally, applicants for licensure by the Board may file an electronic application and are no longer prohibited from having a contagious or infectious disease upon application. The Board need only verify an applicant is legally in the United States instead of verifying an applicant's loyalty to the United States.

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