

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 206

By COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

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1 On page 2 of the printed bill, delete lines 2 through 27 and insert:

2 **“SECTION 3.** ORS 685.080 is amended to read:

3 *“685.080. (1) [For the purpose of determining the qualifications of applicants for license under this*
4 *chapter, the Board of Naturopathic Examiners shall hold meetings and conduct examinations of appli-*
5 *cants for licenses at such time and places and under such rules as a majority of the board may deter-*
6 *mine. The time and place of holding such an examination shall be published at least 30 days prior to*
7 *the date of the examination.]* **An applicant for licensure under this chapter shall:**

8 **“(a) Provide evidence satisfactory to the Board of Naturopathic Examiners of having**
9 **successfully passed the basic science and the core clinical science examinations administered**
10 **by the North American Board of Naturopathic Examiners; and**

11 **“(b) Pass any additional examinations required for licensure by the Board of**
12 **Naturopathic Examiners by rule.**

13 *“(2) At the time and place the board has previously designated, the applicant shall appear before*
14 *the board to be examined as to the fitness of the applicant to practice naturopathic medicine. The ex-*
15 *amination shall be in writing and embrace and be restricted to the subjects listed in ORS 685.060.]*

16 **“(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1)(a) of this section, the board may waive the basic**
17 **science examination requirement for licensure for an applicant who is qualified in basic sci-**
18 **ence as a result of successful performance on an examination determined by the board to**
19 **be comparable to the basic science examination required under subsection (1)(a) of this sec-**
20 **tion and to have been taken recently enough to ensure the currency of the applicant’s**
21 **knowledge.**

22 **“(3) At a time and place designated by the board, an applicant for licensure shall take**
23 **any examinations required by the board by rule. The board shall publish the time and place**
24 **of the examinations at least 30 days prior to the date of the examinations.**

25 *“[(3)] (4) If the applicant passes the [examination] required examinations and satisfies all*
26 **other requirements for licensure under this chapter, upon payment of the [appropriate] initial**
27 **license fee assessed under ORS 685.100, the board shall issue to [such] the applicant a license to**
28 **practice naturopathic medicine.**

29 *“[(4)] (5) If an applicant fails to pass either the basic science or core clinical science section*
30 *of the examination, or fails to pass the sections of the examination covering those subjects*
31 **required by the board by rule, then** without losing credits for *[subjects] sections* passed, the ap-
32 plicant shall be permitted to retake each *[subject] section* a total of two times within a period of
33 two years. If, after three attempts, the applicant has not passed the *[entire] basic science or core*
34 **clinical science** section of the examination, the applicant shall be required to wait one year and
35 retake the *[complete] section*.

1 “(5) *The board may waive the basic science portion of its own examination for an applicant whom*
2 *it declares qualified in basic science as a result of successful performance on a comparable examina-*
3 *tion, taken recently enough to assure the currency of the applicant’s knowledge. In such cases, the*
4 *board shall determine the necessary comparability through evaluation of both examination content and*
5 *testing procedures, and shall determine the appropriate qualifying score for waiver regardless of any*
6 *nominal passing score.]”.*

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