

B-Engrossed House Bill 2435

Ordered by the Senate May 29
Including House Amendments dated April 17 and Senate Amendments
dated May 29

Sponsored by Representatives ROBLAN, GREENLICK

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

[Requires executive director of Oregon Medical Board to issue limited licenses to qualified physicians intending to work in certain rural settings.] **Requires Oregon Medical Board, on or before January 1, 2010, to implement expedited physician licensing process for purpose of issuing licenses by endorsement to qualified physicians. Specifies criteria for qualification.** Directs board to report to Legislative Assembly on issuance of licenses on or before January 31, 2011.

[Sunsets January 2, 2012.]

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to licensing of physicians; and prescribing an effective date.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2009 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 677.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) On or before January 1, 2010, the Oregon Medical Board shall implement**
6 **an expedited physician licensing process that allows the board to issue a license by endorse-**
7 **ment to a qualified physician. To be considered for a license by endorsement, a physician:**

8 (a)(A) **Must have practiced the physician's specialty, if any, for at least one year imme-**
9 **diately preceding the date of the physician's application for licensure by endorsement; or**

10 (B) **If the physician is retired, must have been retired for one year or less;**

11 (b) **May not have been subject to discipline by a health professional regulatory board in**
12 **any state in which the physician has been licensed; and**

13 (c) **May not have been held liable for a significant malpractice claim as defined by the**
14 **board by rule.**

15 (2) **The licensing process implemented by the board must require the board to:**

16 (a) **Use existing databases to verify application information; and**

17 (b) **Accept documents from the state in which the applicant was first licensed as a phy-**
18 **sician as equivalent to primary source documents to verify:**

19 (A) **Medical education;**

20 (B) **National medical examination scores;**

21 (C) **Postgraduate training, if applicable; and**

22 (D) **Other qualifications as provided by rule of the board.**

23 **SECTION 3. The Oregon Medical Board shall report to the Seventy-sixth Legislative As-**
24 **sembly in the manner provided in ORS 192.245 on or before January 31, 2011, on the issuance**
25 **of licenses by endorsement under section 2 of this 2009 Act.**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **SECTION 4. This 2009 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the reg-**
2 **ular session of the Seventy-fifth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.**
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