

Amend **CSSB 1952** by adding a new section to the bill, numbered appropriately, to read as follows and renumbering the existing sections of the bill accordingly:

Section_____. (a) Section 155.051, Occupations Code is amended to read as follows:

(b) An applicant who is a graduate of a program designed to lead to both a doctor of philosophy degree and a doctor of medicine degree or doctor of osteopathy degree must pass each part of an examination described by Section 155.051(2), (3), (4), (6), or (7) not later than the second anniversary of the date the applicant completed the graduate medical training described by Section 155.003(a)(5) [~~was awarded a doctor of medicine degree or doctor of osteopathy degree~~].

(b) The changes in law made by this section apply to a person who files an application with the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners for a license to practice medicine in this state on or after the effective date of this section or whose license application is pending on the effective date of this section.

(c) This section takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this section does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this section takes effect September 1, 2003.