

1-1 By: Rodriguez S.B. No. 1021
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 1, 2011; March 16, 2011, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Health and Human Services;
1-4 May 13, 2011, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 13, 2011,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1021 By: Rodriguez
1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to certain examination requirements for physicians.
1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-12 SECTION 1. Subsection (c), Section 155.051, Occupations
1-13 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-14 (c) ~~Subsections (a) and (b) do not apply to an [The time~~
1-15 ~~frame to pass each part of the examination described by Subsection~~
1-16 ~~(a) is extended to 10 years and the anniversary date to pass each~~
1-17 ~~part of the examination described by Subsection (b) is extended to~~
1-18 ~~the 10th anniversary if the] applicant who [+~~

1-19 ~~[(1)] is specialty board certified by a specialty~~
1-20 ~~board that:~~
1-21 ~~(1) [(A)] is a member of the American Board of Medical~~
1-22 ~~Specialties; or~~

1-23 ~~(2) [(B)] is approved by the American Osteopathic~~
1-24 ~~Association [a member of the Bureau of Osteopathic Specialists; or~~
1-25 ~~[(2) has been issued a faculty temporary license, as~~
1-26 ~~prescribed by board rule, and has practiced under such a license for~~
1-27 ~~a minimum of 12 months and, at the conclusion of the 12-month~~
1-28 ~~period, has been recommended to the board by the chief~~
1-29 ~~administrative officer and the president of the institution in~~
1-30 ~~which the applicant practiced under the faculty temporary license].~~

1-31 SECTION 2. Subsection (d), Section 155.056, Occupations
1-32 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-33 (d) The limitation on examination attempts by an applicant
1-34 under Subsection (a) does not apply to an applicant who [+

1-35 ~~[(1) is licensed and in good standing as a physician in~~
1-36 ~~another state;~~

1-37 ~~[(2) has been licensed for at least five years;~~

1-38 ~~[(3) does not hold a medical license in the other state~~
1-39 ~~that has any restrictions, disciplinary orders, or probation; and~~

1-40 ~~[(4) passed all but one part of the examination~~
1-41 ~~approved by the board within three attempts and:~~

1-42 ~~[(A) passed the remaining part of the examination~~
1-43 ~~within one additional attempt; or~~

1-44 ~~[(B) passed the remaining part of the examination~~
1-45 ~~within six attempts if the applicant:~~

1-46 ~~[(i)] is specialty board certified by a~~
1-47 ~~specialty board that:~~

1-48 ~~(1) [(a)] is a member of the American Board of Medical~~
1-49 ~~Specialties; or~~

1-50 ~~(2) [(b)] is approved by the American Osteopathic~~
1-51 ~~Association[; and~~

1-52 ~~[(ii) has completed in this state an~~
1-53 ~~additional two years of postgraduate medical training approved by~~
1-54 ~~the board].~~

1-55 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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