

Bill No. SB 878  
Amendment No. \_\_\_\_

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11	Senators Gutman, Casas and Myers moved the following amendment		
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14	<b>Senate Amendment (with title amendment)</b>		
15	On page 102, between lines 28 and 29,		
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17	insert:		
18	Section 57. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (1)		
19	of section 458.3115, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, are		
20	amended to read:		
21	458.3115 Restricted license; certain foreign-licensed		
22	physicians; United States Medical Licensing Examination		
23	(USMLE) or agency-developed examination; restrictions on		
24	practice; full licensure.--		
25	(1)		
26	(b) A person who is eligible to take and elects to		
27	take the USMLE who has previously passed part 1 or part 2 of		
28	the previously administered FLEX shall not be required to		
29	retake or pass the equivalent parts of the USMLE up to the		
30	year <u>2002</u> <del>2000</del> .		
31	(c) A person shall be eligible to take such		

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- 1 examination for restricted licensure if the person:
- 2           1. Has taken, upon approval by the board, and
- 3 completed, in November 1990 or November 1992, one of the
- 4 special preparatory medical update courses authorized by the
- 5 board and the University of Miami Medical School and
- 6 subsequently passed the final course examination; upon
- 7 approval by the board to take the course completed in 1990 or
- 8 in 1992, has a certificate of successful completion of that
- 9 course from the University of Miami or the Stanley H. Kaplan
- 10 course; or can document to the department that he or she was
- 11 one of the persons who took and successfully completed the
- 12 Stanley H. Kaplan course that was approved by the Board of
- 13 Medicine and supervised by the University of Miami. At a
- 14 minimum, the documentation must include class attendance
- 15 records and the test score on the final course examination;
- 16           2. Applies to the agency and submits an application
- 17 fee that is nonrefundable and equivalent to the fee required
- 18 for full licensure;
- 19           3. Documents no less than 2 years of the active
- 20 practice of medicine in any jurisdiction ~~another jurisdiction~~;
- 21           4. Submits an examination fee that is nonrefundable
- 22 and equivalent to the fee required for full licensure plus the
- 23 actual per-applicant cost to the agency to provide either
- 24 examination described in this section;
- 25           5. Has not committed any act or offense in this or any
- 26 other jurisdiction that would constitute a substantial basis
- 27 for disciplining a physician under this chapter or part II of
- 28 chapter 455; and
- 29           6. Is not under discipline, investigation, or
- 30 prosecution in this or any other jurisdiction for an act that
- 31 would constitute a violation of this chapter or part II of

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1 chapter 455 and that substantially threatened or threatens the  
2 public health, safety, or welfare.

3 Section 58. Subsection (2) of section 458.3124,  
4 Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read:

5 458.3124 Restricted license; certain experienced  
6 foreign-trained physicians.--

7 (2) A person applying for licensure under this section  
8 must submit to the Department of Health on or before December  
9 31, 2000 ~~1998~~:

10 (a) A completed application and documentation required  
11 by the Board of Medicine to prove compliance with subsection  
12 (1); and

13 (b) A nonrefundable application fee not to exceed \$500  
14 and a nonrefundable examination fee not to exceed \$300 plus  
15 the actual cost to purchase and administer the examination.

16 Section 59. Effective upon this act becoming a law,  
17 section 301 of chapter 98-166, Laws of Florida, is amended to  
18 read:

19 Section 301. The sum of \$1.2 million from the  
20 unallocated balance in the Medical Quality Assurance Trust  
21 Fund is appropriated to the Department of Health to allow the  
22 department to develop the examination required for foreign  
23 licensed physicians in section 458.3115(1)(a), Florida  
24 Statutes, through a contract with the University of South  
25 Florida. The department shall charge examinees a fee not to  
26 exceed 25 percent of the cost of the actual costs of the first  
27 examination administered pursuant to section 458.3115, Florida  
28 Statutes, 1998 Supplement, and a fee not to exceed 75 percent  
29 of the actual costs for any subsequent examination  
30 administered pursuant to that section.

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1 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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5 And the title is amended as follows:

6 On page 2, line 28, after the semicolon

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8 insert:

9 amending s. 458.3115, F.S.; revising  
10 requirements with respect to eligibility of  
11 certain foreign-licensed physicians to take and  
12 pass standardized examinations; amending s.  
13 458.3124, F.S.; changing the date by which  
14 application for a restricted license must be  
15 submitted; amending s. 301, ch. 98-166, Laws of  
16 Florida; prescribing fees for foreign-licensed  
17 physicians taking a certain examination;

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