

By Senator Peaden

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to certification of radiologic personnel;
3 amending s. 468.304, F.S.; providing that a postsecondary
4 academic institution licensed by the Commission for
5 Independent Education to offer a general radiologic
6 technology program and accredited by the Accrediting
7 Bureau of Health Education Schools is an accredited
8 postsecondary academic institution for certification
9 purposes; providing an effective date.

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11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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13 Section 1. Paragraph (e) of subsection (3) of section
14 468.304, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

15 468.304 Certification.--The department shall certify any
16 applicant who meets the following criteria:

17 (3) Submits satisfactory evidence, verified by oath or
18 affirmation, that she or he:

19 (e)1. Has successfully completed an educational program,
20 which program may be established in a hospital licensed pursuant
21 to chapter 395 or in an accredited postsecondary academic
22 institution which is subject to approval by the department as
23 maintaining a satisfactory standard; or

24 2.a. With respect to an applicant for a basic X-ray machine
25 operator's certificate, has completed a course of study approved
26 by the department with appropriate study material provided the
27 applicant by the department;

28 b. With respect to an applicant for a basic X-ray machine
29 operator-podiatric medicine certificate, has completed a course

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30 of study approved by the department, provided that such course of
31 study shall be limited to that information necessary to perform
32 radiographic procedures within the scope of practice of a
33 podiatric physician licensed pursuant to chapter 461;

34 c. With respect only to an applicant for a general
35 radiographer's certificate who is a basic X-ray machine operator
36 certificateholder, has completed an educational program or a 2-
37 year training program that takes into account the types of
38 procedures and level of supervision usually and customarily
39 practiced in a hospital, which educational or training program
40 complies with the rules of the department;

41 d. With respect only to an applicant for a nuclear medicine
42 technologist's certificate who is a general radiographer
43 certificateholder, has completed an educational program or a 2-
44 year training program that takes into account the types of
45 procedures and level of supervision usually and customarily
46 practiced in a hospital, which educational or training program
47 complies with the rules of the department; or

48 e. With respect to an applicant for a radiologist
49 assistant's certificate who demonstrates to the department that
50 he or she holds a current certificate or registration as a
51 radiologist assistant granted by the American Registry of
52 Radiologic Technologists.

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54 For the purposes of this paragraph, a postsecondary academic
55 institution licensed by the Commission for Independent Education
56 to offer a general radiologic technology program and accredited
57 by the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools is an
58 accredited postsecondary academic institution.

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60 The department may not certify any applicant who has committed an
61 offense that would constitute a violation of any of the
62 provisions of s. 468.3101 or the rules adopted thereunder if the
63 applicant had been certified by the department at the time of the
64 offense. No application for a limited computed tomography
65 certificate shall be accepted. All persons holding valid computed
66 tomography certificates as of October 1, 1984, are subject to the
67 provisions of s. 468.309.

68 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.