

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the practice of medicine; creating s.
 3 458.3096, F.S.; prohibiting the Department of Health from
 4 registration for medical residency or licensure under
 5 certain circumstances; providing an exception; creating s.
 6 459.0052, F.S.; prohibiting the department from
 7 registration for medical residency or licensure under
 8 certain circumstances; providing an exception; providing
 9 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. Section 458.3096, Florida Statutes, is created
 14 to read:

15 458.3096 Prohibition of medical residency or licensure in
 16 the state; grounds for prohibition; exception.--

17 (1) The department shall not register a person under s.
 18 458.345 who is a United States citizen or United States resident
 19 who has traveled to Cuba to receive medical training or a
 20 medical degree. In addition, the department shall not issue a
 21 license under this chapter to any United States citizen or
 22 United States resident who has traveled to Cuba to receive
 23 medical training or a medical degree.

24 (2) This prohibition does not apply to any native or
 25 citizen of Cuba who received his or her medical training or
 26 medical degree in Cuba prior to immigrating to the United
 27 States.

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28 Section 2. Section 459.0052, Florida Statutes, is created
29 to read:

30 459.0052 Prohibition of medical residency or licensure in
31 the state; grounds for prohibition; exception.--

32 (1) The department shall not register a person under s.
33 459.021 who is a United States citizen or United States resident
34 who has traveled to Cuba to receive medical training or a
35 medical degree. In addition, the department shall not issue a
36 license under this chapter to any United States citizen or
37 United States resident who has traveled to Cuba to receive
38 medical training or a medical degree.

39 (2) This prohibition does not apply to any native or
40 citizen of Cuba who received his or her medical training or
41 medical degree in Cuba prior to immigrating to the United
42 States.

43 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.