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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
03/25/2014	.	
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The Committee on Health Policy (Brandes) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 471 and 472

insert:

Section 21. Subsection (3) of section 486.031, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

486.031 Physical therapist; licensing requirements.—To be eligible for licensing as a physical therapist, an applicant must:

(3) (a) Have been graduated from a school of physical



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11 therapy which has been approved for the educational preparation
12 of physical therapists by the appropriate accrediting agency
13 recognized by the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary
14 Accreditation or the United States Department of Education at
15 the time of her or his graduation and have passed, to the
16 satisfaction of the board, the American Registry Examination
17 before ~~prior to~~ 1971 or a national examination approved by the
18 board to determine her or his fitness for practice as a physical
19 therapist as hereinafter provided;

20 (b) Have received a diploma from a program in physical
21 therapy in a foreign country and have educational credentials
22 deemed equivalent to those required for the educational
23 preparation of physical therapists in this country, as
24 recognized by the board or by an appropriate agency ~~as~~
25 identified by the board, and have passed to the satisfaction of
26 the board an examination to determine her or his fitness for
27 practice as a physical therapist ~~as hereinafter provided~~; or

28 (c) Be entitled to licensure without examination as
29 provided in s. 486.081.

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31 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

32 And the title is amended as follows:

33 Delete line 63

34 and insert:

35 apprentices; amending s. 486.031, F.S.; revising
36 provisions relating to the recognition of physical
37 therapy programs and educational credentials from
38 foreign countries to meet requirements for licensing
39 as a physical therapist; amending s. 823.05, F.S.;



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