

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to medical faculty certification;
 3 amending s. 458.3145, F.S.; revising the list of
 4 schools at which certain faculty members are eligible
 5 to receive a medical faculty certificate; authorizing
 6 a certificateholder to practice at certain specialty-
 7 licensed children's hospitals; revising provisions to
 8 allow the medical director of certain specialty-
 9 licensed children's hospitals to request the provision
 10 of medical care and treatment in connection with
 11 education; providing an effective date.

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

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 15 Section 1. Section 458.3145, Florida Statutes, is amended
 16 to read:

17 458.3145 Medical faculty certificate.—

18 (1) A medical faculty certificate may be issued without
 19 examination to an individual who:

20 (a) Is a graduate of an accredited medical school or its
 21 equivalent, or is a graduate of a foreign medical school listed
 22 with the World Health Organization;

23 (b) Holds a valid, current license to practice medicine in
 24 another jurisdiction;

25 (c) Has completed the application form and remitted a

26 | nonrefundable application fee not to exceed \$500;

27 | (d) Has completed an approved residency or fellowship of
 28 | at least 1 year or has received training which has been
 29 | determined by the board to be equivalent to the 1-year residency
 30 | requirement;

31 | (e) Is at least 21 years of age;

32 | (f) Is of good moral character;

33 | (g) Has not committed any act in this or any other
 34 | jurisdiction which would constitute the basis for disciplining a
 35 | physician under s. 458.331;

36 | (h) For any applicant who has graduated from medical
 37 | school after October 1, 1992, has completed, before entering
 38 | medical school, the equivalent of 2 academic years of
 39 | preprofessional, postsecondary education, as determined by rule
 40 | of the board, which must include, at a minimum, courses in such
 41 | fields as anatomy, biology, and chemistry; and

42 | (i) Has been offered and has accepted a full-time faculty
 43 | appointment to teach in a program of medicine at:

- 44 | 1. The University of Florida;
- 45 | 2. The University of Miami;
- 46 | 3. The University of South Florida;
- 47 | 4. The Florida State University;
- 48 | 5. The Florida International University;
- 49 | 6. The University of Central Florida;
- 50 | 7. The Mayo Clinic College of Medicine in Jacksonville,

51 Florida; ~~or~~

52 8. The Florida Atlantic University; or

53 9. The Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital in St.
 54 Petersburg, Florida.

55 (2) The certificate authorizes the holder to practice only
 56 in conjunction with his or her faculty position at an accredited
 57 medical school and its affiliated clinical facilities or
 58 teaching hospitals that are registered with the Board of
 59 Medicine as sites at which holders of medical faculty
 60 certificates will be practicing, or a specialty-licensed
 61 children's hospital licensed under chapter 395 that is
 62 affiliated with an accredited medical school and its affiliated
 63 clinics. Such certificate automatically expires when the
 64 holder's relationship with the medical school is terminated or
 65 after a period of 24 months, whichever occurs sooner, and is
 66 renewable every 2 years by a holder who applies to the board on
 67 a form prescribed by the board and provides certification by the
 68 dean of the medical school that the holder is a distinguished
 69 medical scholar and an outstanding practicing physician.

70 (3) The holder of a medical faculty certificate issued
 71 under this section has all rights and responsibilities
 72 prescribed by law for the holder of a license issued under s.
 73 458.311, except as specifically provided otherwise by law. Such
 74 responsibilities include compliance with continuing medical
 75 education requirements as set forth by rule of the board. A

76 hospital or ambulatory surgical center licensed under chapter
77 395, health maintenance organization certified under chapter
78 641, insurer as defined in s. 624.03, multiple-employer welfare
79 arrangement as defined in s. 624.437, or any other entity in
80 this state, in considering and acting upon an application for
81 staff membership, clinical privileges, or other credentials as a
82 health care provider, may not deny the application of an
83 otherwise qualified physician for such staff membership,
84 clinical privileges, or other credentials solely because the
85 applicant is a holder of a medical faculty certificate under
86 this section.

87 (4) In any year, the maximum number of extended medical
88 faculty certificateholders as provided in subsection (2) may not
89 exceed 30 persons at each institution named in subparagraphs
90 (1)(i) 1.-6., 8., and 9. ~~and 8.~~ and at the facility named in s.
91 1004.43 and may not exceed 10 persons at the institution named
92 in subparagraph (1)(i)7.

93 (5) Annual review of all such certificate recipients will
94 be made by the deans of the accredited 4-year medical schools
95 provided in paragraph (1)(i) of this section ~~within this state~~
96 and reported to the Board of Medicine.

97 (6) Notwithstanding subsection (1), any physician, when
98 providing medical care or treatment in connection with the
99 education of students, residents, or faculty at the request of
100 the dean of an accredited medical school within this state or at

101 the request of the medical director of a statutory teaching
102 hospital as defined in s. 408.07 or a specialty-licensed
103 children's hospital licensed under chapter 395 that is
104 affiliated with an accredited medical school and its affiliated
105 clinics, may do so upon registration with the board and
106 demonstration of financial responsibility pursuant to s.
107 458.320(1) or (2) unless such physician is exempt under s.
108 458.320(5)(a). The performance of such medical care or treatment
109 must be limited to a single period of time, which may not exceed
110 180 consecutive days, and must be rendered within a facility
111 registered under subsection (2) or within a statutory teaching
112 hospital as defined in s. 408.07. A registration fee not to
113 exceed \$300, as set by the board, is required of each physician
114 registered under this subsection. However, no more than three
115 physicians per year per institution may be registered under this
116 subsection, and an exemption under this subsection may not be
117 granted to a physician more than once in any given 5-year
118 period.

119 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.