

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to clinical laboratory personnel;
3 amending s. 483.815, F.S.; requiring that an applicant
4 who qualifies for licensure under specified provisions
5 provide proof of such qualification and pay the
6 required fees to be eligible for licensure; amending
7 s. 483.823, F.S.; requiring that applicants for
8 licensure as a technologist or technician who meet
9 specified criteria be deemed to have satisfied minimum
10 qualifications for licensure to perform high or
11 moderate complexity testing as a technologist or
12 technician, as applicable; providing an effective
13 date.

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

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17 **Section 1. Section 483.815, Florida Statutes, is amended**
18 **to read:**

19 483.815 Application for clinical laboratory personnel
20 license.—

21 (1) An application for a clinical laboratory personnel
22 license must ~~shall~~ be made under oath on forms provided by the
23 department and must ~~shall~~ be accompanied by payment of fees as
24 provided by this part. Applicants for licensure must also submit
25 to background screening in accordance with s. 456.0135. A

license may be issued authorizing the performance of procedures of one or more categories.

(2) An applicant who qualifies for licensure under s. 483.823(3) or (4) must provide proof of such qualification, submit to background screening in accordance with s. 456.0135, and pay the fees required under s. 483.807 to be eligible for licensure.

Section 2. Subsections (3) and (4) are added to section 483.823, Florida Statutes, to read:

483.823 Qualifications of clinical laboratory personnel.—

(3) Except as otherwise provided in s. 483.812, a technologist or technician applicant for licensure who satisfies the requirements in 42 C.F.R. s. 493.1489 to perform high complexity testing is deemed to have satisfied the minimum qualifications for licensure under this part to perform high complexity testing as a technologist or technician in this state.

(4) Except as otherwise provided in s. 483.812, a technician applicant for licensure who satisfies the requirements in 42 C.F.R. s. 493.1423 to perform moderate complexity testing is deemed to have satisfied the minimum qualifications for licensure under this part to perform moderate complexity testing as a technician in this state.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.