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IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE BILL NO. 277

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the practice of  
medicine; amending Sec. 35-3-85, ACLA 1949."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

Section 1. Sec. 35-3-85, ACLA 1949 is amended to read  
as follows:

Sec. 35-3-85. LICENSE: APPLICATION FOR: QUALIFICATIONS  
OF APPLICANT: EXAMINATION: GRANT OR REFUSAL OF LICENSE:  
RECIPROCITY LICENSE. Hereafter every person, not now  
legally practicing medicine or surgery in Alaska, who desires  
to practice medicine and surgery or either of them in any  
of their branches, in the State [TERRITORY] of Alaska, shall  
first make a written application to the Board of Medical  
Examiners for a license so to do, which application shall  
state the name, age and place of residence of the applicant,  
and the duration thereof, and the time spent in medical  
study, and where, and the year and school in which degrees  
were granted, which application shall be sworn to as to  
its verity before some one authorized to administer oaths.  
That each applicant for such license shall be not less  
than Twenty-one (21) years of age, shall furnish a certi-  
ficate of good moral character, and submit a certificate  
of graduation from a legally chartered medical school whose  
requirements for graduation shall have been at the time of  
granting said certificate not less than the requirements

1 of the association of the American Medical Colleges of the  
2 day in which said applicant graduated; and in addition a  
3 certificate from a recognized hospital certifying that the  
4 recipient has faithfully performed the duties of resident  
5 physician or intern for the period of one year, unless he  
6 has been a licensed physician engaged in active practice of  
7 the profession for a term of four years. Such applicant  
8 at the time and place designated by said Board, or at the  
9 regular meeting of said Board, shall submit to an examination  
10 in the following branches: anatomy, physiology, chemistry,  
11 materia-medica, therapeutics, pathology, hygiene, surgery,  
12 obstetrics, and such other branches as the Board shall deem  
13 advisable. Said Board shall cause said examination to be  
14 practical and sufficient to test the candidate's fitness to  
15 practice medicine and surgery. In grading the answers of  
16 said examination the applicant shall be given a credit of  
17 one per cent in each subject for each year of actual practice  
18 after the first two years. Said examination with the  
19 answers thereto shall be in writing and in the English lan-  
20 guage and the same shall be preserved in filed of record in  
21 the office of the Secretary of the Board. After examinations,  
22 if the same be satisfactory, said Board shall grant a license  
23 to such applicant to practice medicine and surgery in the  
24 State [TERRITORY] of Alaska, which said license can only be  
25 granted by and with the consent of not less than five mem-  
26 bers of said Board, and each license shall be signed by the  
27 Secretary and President of said Board, and attested by the  
28 Seal thereof. If said examination shall be unsatisfactory  
29 to the Board or if the applicant shall fail to pay the fee

1 herein prescribed or shall otherwise fail to comply with any  
2 of the other requirements of this Act, the Board shall refuse  
3 to grant the license.

4 In all cases where an applicant for a license under this  
5 Act shall produce and exhibit to the Board of Examiners, a  
6 license from a Board of Medical Examiners appointed under the  
7 laws of any State of the United States or Province of Canada,  
8 said Board recognizing licenses from this State [TERRITORY]  
9 and issuing reciprocal licenses therewith, and a certificate  
10 to the fact that the said person presenting said license is  
11 duly and well qualified to practice medicine and surgery in  
12 the States or Provinces, issuing said license, and that said  
13 license was issued after a thorough examination to ascertain  
14 this fact, he or she may, at the discretion of the Board of  
15 Medical Examiners, upon payment of the fee herein prescribed  
16 and otherwise complying with all the requirements of this  
17 Act receive a license to practice medicine and surgery as if  
18 the examination of said applicant was held in Alaska.

19 That no license shall be granted to practice medicine  
20 or surgery unless the applicant therefor be a citizen of  
21 the United States or Canada.