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-- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. ARROYO, COOK -- read once and
referred to the Committee on Higher Education -- committee discharged,
bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said
committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to continuing medical
education for physicians

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEM-
BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Section 6524 of the education law is amended by adding a
2 new subdivision 12 to read as follows:

3 (12)(A) FOLLOWING HIS OR HER FIRST RE-REGISTRATION PERIOD, NO PHYSI-
4 CIAN MAY BE RE-REGISTERED UNLESS HE OR SHE, AS PART OF THE RE-REGISTRA-
5 TION APPLICATION, INCLUDES AN ATTESTATION MADE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY,
6 IN A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE COMMISSIONER, THAT HE OR SHE HAS COMPLETED
7 AT LEAST FIFTY HOURS OF CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION PURSUANT TO REGU-
8 LATIONS PROMULGATED BY THE COMMISSIONER.

9 (B) CERTIFICATION OR RECERTIFICATION OF THE PHYSICIAN BY A PHYSICIAN
10 SPECIALTY ORGANIZATION MAY BE COMPLETED IN LIEU OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE
11 CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS OF PARAGRAPH (A) OF THIS
12 SUBDIVISION DURING THE CYCLE IN WHICH CERTIFICATION OR RECERTIFICATION
13 IS GRANTED. AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "PHYSICIAN SPECIALTY ORGANIZATION"
14 MEANS: (I) THE AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES; (II) THE AMERICAN
15 OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION; (III) THE
16 AMERICAN BOARD OF PHYSICIAN SPECIALTIES; (IV) THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF
17 PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF CANADA; (V) ANY OTHER ENTITY MAINTAINING
18 STANDARDS FOR AND CERTIFYING PHYSICIAN SPECIALTY CERTIFICATION THAT: (A)
19 IS APPROVED BY THE ACCREDITATION COUNCIL OF GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION
20 OR AN EQUIVALENT COUNCIL, (B) REQUIRES SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF A
21 COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION TO BE CERTIFIED BY SUCH ENTITY, (C) REQUIRES
22 RECERTIFICATION EVERY TEN YEARS OR LESS, (D) REQUIRES AT LEAST

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 TWENTY-FIVE HOURS CREDIT OF CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION EACH YEAR, AND
2 (E) IS A TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATION DESCRIBED IN SECTION 501(C) OF THE
3 INTERNAL REVENUE CODE; OR (VI) ANY OTHER ENTITY DETERMINED BY THE
4 COMMISSIONER, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH, TO BE
5 EQUIVALENT TO THE REQUIREMENTS DESCRIBED IN THIS PARAGRAPH.
6 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.