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House Bill 4025

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1 AN ACT to amend and reenact §30-5-11 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating

to permitting reciprocity for licensure as a pharmacy technician.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 5. PHARMACISTS, PHARMACY TECHNICIANS, PHARMACY INTERNS AND PHARMACIES.

§30-5-11. Registration of pharmacy technicians.

- 1 (a) To be eligible for registration as a pharmacy technician to assist in the practice of 2 pharmacist care, the applicant shall:
- 3 (1) Submit a written application to the board;
- 4 (2) Pay the applicable fees;
- 5 (3) Have graduated from high school or obtained a Certificate of General Educational 6 Development (GED) or equivalent;
- 7 (4) Have:

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- 8 (A) Graduated from a competency-based pharmacy technician education and training 9 program as approved by legislative rule of the board;
 - (B)Completed a pharmacy-provided, competency-based education and training program approved by the board; or
 - (C) Obtained a national certification as a pharmacy technician and have practiced in another jurisdiction for a period of time as determined by the board.
 - (5) Have successfully passed an examination developed using nationally recognized and validated psychometric and pharmacy practice standards approved by the board;
 - (6) Not be an alcohol or drug abuser, as these terms are defined in §27-1A-11 of this code: *Provided*, That an applicant in an active recovery process, which may, in the discretion of the board, be evidenced by participation in a twelve-step program or other similar group or process, may be considered;

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- (7) Not have been convicted of a felony in any jurisdiction within ten years preceding the date of application for license, which conviction remains unreversed;
 - (8) Not have been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony in any jurisdiction if the offense for which he or she was convicted bearing a rational nexus to the practice of pharmacist care, which conviction remains unreversed; and
 - (9) Have fulfilled any other requirement specified by the board in rule.
 - (b) A person whose license to practice pharmacist care has been denied, revoked, suspended, or restricted for disciplinary purposes in any jurisdiction is not eligible to be registered as a pharmacy technician.
 - (c) A person registered to assist in the practice pharmacist care issued by the board shall for all purposes be considered registered under this article and may renew pursuant to the provisions of this article.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.
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