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AN ACT to amend and reenact sections five and six, article twenty-three, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, all relating to the board of examiners for radiologic technologists; changing the qualifications for applicants; and revising the name of the national organization issuing requirements for approval standards.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections five and six, article twenty-three, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

#### ARTICLE 23. RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS.

### §30-23-5. Board of examiners; powers and duties; funds of board.

- 1 (a) The board shall:
- 2 (1) Propose legislative rules implementing the provisions
- 3 of this article and the powers and duties conferred upon the

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- board in accordance with the provisions of article three, chapter
   twenty-nine-a of this code;
- 6 (2) Determine applicants' eligibility for a license or temporary permit to practice radiologic technology;
  - (3) Issue, renew, deny, suspend or revoke licenses and temporary permits to engage in the practice of radiologic technology in accordance with the provisions of this article and, in accordance with the administrative procedures hereinafter provided, review, affirm, reverse, vacate or modify its order with respect to any denial, suspension or revocation;
- (4) Investigate alleged violations of provisions of this article, rules promulgated hereunder and orders and final decisions of the board and take appropriate disciplinary action against any licensee for the violation thereof or institute appropriate legal action for the enforcement of the provisions of this article, rules promulgated hereunder and orders and final decisions of the board;
- 21 (5) Employ, direct, discharge and define the duties of full 22 or part-time professional, clerical or other personnel necessary 23 to effectuate the provisions of this article;
- (6) Keep accurate and complete records of its proceedings,
  certify the records as may be appropriate, and prepare, from
  time to time, a list showing the names and addresses of all
  licensees;
- 28 (7) Provide standards for approved schools of technology, 29 procedures for obtaining and maintaining approval, and 30 procedures of revocation of approval where standards are not 31 maintained: *Provided*, That the standards for approved schools 32 meet at least the minimal requirements of the American registry 33 of radiologic technologists;

- 34 (8) Whenever appropriate, confer with the attorney general 35 or his or her assistants in connection with all legal matters and 36 questions; and
- (9) Take such other action as may be reasonably necessary
  or appropriate to effectuate the provisions of this article.
- 39 (b) All moneys paid to the board must be accepted by a 40 person designated by the board and deposited by him or her 41 with the treasurer of the state and credited to an account to be 42 known as the "board of examiners of radiologic technologist 43 fund." The reimbursement of all reasonable and necessary 44 expenses actually incurred by members of the board and all 45 other costs and expenses incurred by the board in the adminis-46 tration of this article must be paid from the fund, and no part of 47 the state's general revenue fund may be expended for this 48 purpose.

# §30-23-6. Qualifications of applicants; exceptions; applications; fee.

- 1 (a) To be eligible for a license to practice radiologic 2 technology the applicant must:
- 3 (1) Be of good moral character;
- 4 (2) Have completed four years of high school education or 5 its equivalent;
- 6 (3) Have successfully completed an eighteen-month course 7 in radiologic study in a school of radiologic technology 8 approved by the board;
- 9 (4) Have passed the examination prescribed by the board, 10 which examination shall cover the basic subject matter of 11 radiologic technology, skills and techniques; and

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- 12 (5) Not have been convicted of a felony in any court in this 13 state or any federal court in this or any other state within ten 14 years preceding the date of application for registration, which 15 conviction remains unreversed; and not have been convicted of 16 a felony in any court in this state or any federal court in this or 17 any other state at any time if the offense for which the applicant 18 was convicted related to the practice of radiologic technology, 19 which conviction remains unreversed.
- 20 (b) Any person who holds a license or certificate, including
  21 the American registry of radiologic technologists, to practice
  22 radiologic technology issued by any other state, the require23 ments for which license or certificate are found by the board to
  24 be at least equal to those provided in this article, shall be
  25 eligible for a license to practice radiologic technology in this
  26 state without examination.
  - (c) The following persons are not required to obtain a license in accordance with the provisions of this article:
  - (1) A technology student enrolled in or attending an approved school of technology who as part of his or her course of study applies ionizing radiation to a human being under the supervision of a licensed practitioner;
- 33 (2) A person acting as a dental assistant who under the 34 supervision of a licensed dentist operates only radiographic 35 dental equipment for the sole purpose of dental radiography;
- (3) A person engaged in performing the duties of a technol ogist in the person's employment by an agency, bureau or
   division of the government of the United States;
- 39 (4) Any licensed practitioner, radiologist or radiology 40 resident; and

- 41 (5) Any person who demonstrates to the board that as of the 42 first day of July, one thousand nine hundred ninety-nine, he or
- 43 she:
- 44 (A) Has engaged in the practice of radiologic technology
- 45 for the limited purpose of performing bone densitometry in this
- 46 state for five or more years;
- 47 (B) Practices under the supervision of a licensed practitio-
- 48 ner; and
- 49 (C) Has received a densitometry technologist degree
- 50 certified by the international society for clinical densitometry.
- 51 (d) Any person seeking a license shall submit an application
- 52 therefor at such time, in such manner, on such forms and
- 53 containing such information as the board may from time to time
- 54 by legislative rule prescribe, and shall pay to the board a license
- 55 fee, which fee shall be returned to the applicant if the license
- 56 application is denied.

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