
SENATE BILL 5454

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By Senators West, Vognild, von Reichbauer, Snyder and Johnson.

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1 AN ACT Relating to mandatory continuing education credit; and
2 amending RCW 18.71.080.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.71.080 and 1985 c 322 s 4 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 Every person licensed to practice medicine in this state shall
7 register with the director of licensing annually, and pay an annual
8 renewal registration fee determined by the director as provided in RCW
9 43.24.086. The board may establish rules and regulations governing
10 mandatory continuing education requirements which shall be met by
11 physicians applying for renewal of licenses. The rules and regulations
12 shall provide that mandatory continuing education requirements may be
13 met in part by physicians showing evidence of the completion of
14 approved activities relating to professional liability risk management.
15 Any failure to register and pay the annual renewal registration fee

1 shall render the license invalid, but such license shall be reinstated
2 upon written application therefor to the director, and payment to the
3 state of a penalty fee determined by the director as provided in RCW
4 43.24.086, together with all delinquent annual license renewal fees:
5 PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That any person who fails to renew the license for
6 a period of three years, shall in no event be entitled to renew the
7 license under this section. Such a person in order to obtain a license
8 to practice medicine in this state, shall file an original application
9 as provided for in this chapter, along with the requisite fee therefor.
10 The board, in its sole discretion, may permit such applicant to be
11 licensed without examination if it is satisfied that such applicant
12 meets all the requirements for licensure in this state, and is
13 competent to engage in the practice of medicine.