

Amendment No.

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
OTHER	<u> </u>	

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Healthcare Regulation
2 Subcommittee

3 Representative Rizo offered the following:

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5 **Amendment**

6 Remove lines 24-78 and insert:

7 b. For an applicant who matriculated ~~graduated~~ on or
8 before December 31, 2020, has received a bachelor's or master's
9 degree from an approved program.

10 c. For an applicant who graduated before July 1, 1994, has
11 graduated from an approved program of instruction in primary
12 health care or surgery.

13 d. For an applicant who graduated before July 1, 1983, has
14 received a certification as a physician assistant from the
15 boards.

16 e. The board may also grant a license to an applicant who

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17 does not meet the educational requirement specified in this
18 subparagraph but who has passed the Physician Assistant National
19 Certifying Examination administered by the National Commission
20 on Certification of Physician Assistants ~~before 1986~~.

21 3. Has obtained a passing score as established by the
22 National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants or
23 its equivalent or successor organization and has been nationally
24 certified. If an applicant does not hold a current certificate
25 issued by the National Commission on Certification of Physician
26 Assistants or its equivalent or successor organization and has
27 not actively practiced as a physician assistant within the
28 immediately preceding 4 years, the applicant must retake and
29 successfully complete the entry-level examination of the
30 National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants or
31 its equivalent or successor organization to be eligible for
32 licensure.

33 4. Has completed the application form and remitted an
34 application fee not to exceed \$300 as set by the boards. An
35 application for licensure as a physician assistant must include:

- 36 a. A diploma from an approved program.
37 b. Acknowledgment of any prior felony convictions.
38 c. Acknowledgment of any previous revocation or denial of
39 licensure or certification in any state.

40 Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (6) of section
41 459.022, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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- 42 459.022 Physician assistants.—
- 43 (6) PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT LICENSURE.—
- 44 (a) Any person desiring to be licensed as a physician
- 45 assistant must apply to the department. The department shall
- 46 issue a license to any person certified by the council as having
- 47 met all of the following requirements:
- 48 1. Is at least 18 years of age.
- 49 2. Has completed ~~graduated from~~ an approved program.
- 50 a. For an applicant who matriculated ~~graduated~~ after
- 51 December 31, 2020, has received a master's degree ~~in accordance~~
- 52 ~~with the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the~~
- 53 ~~Physician Assistant or, before 2001, its equivalent or~~
- 54 ~~predecessor organization.~~
- 55 b. For an applicant who matriculated ~~graduated~~ on or
- 56 before December 31, 2020, has received a bachelor's or master's
- 57 degree from an approved program.
- 58 c. For an applicant who graduated before July 1, 1994, has
- 59 graduated from an approved program of instruction in primary
- 60 health care or surgery.
- 61 d. For an applicant who graduated before July
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