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100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 334.285, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to physician maintenance of certification.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 334.285, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 334.285, to read as follows:

334.285. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms shall mean:

2 (1) "Continuing medical education", continued postgraduate medical
3 education intended to provide [medical professionals] **physicians** with
4 knowledge of new developments in their field;

5 (2) "Maintenance of certification", any process requiring periodic
6 recertification examinations to maintain specialty medical board certification;

7 (3) "Maintenance of licensure", the Federation of State Medical Boards'
8 proprietary framework for physician license renewal including additional periodic
9 testing other than continuing medical education;

10 (4) "Specialty medical board certification", certification by a board that
11 specializes in one particular area of medicine and typically requires additional
12 and more strenuous exams than state board of registration for the healing arts
13 requirements to practice medicine.

14 2. The state shall not require any form of maintenance of licensure as a
15 condition of physician licensure including requiring any form of maintenance of
16 licensure tied to maintenance of certification. Current requirements including
17 continuing medical education shall suffice to demonstrate professional
18 competency.

19 3. The state shall not require any form of specialty medical board

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

20 certification or any maintenance of certification to practice medicine within the
21 state. There shall be no discrimination by the state board of registration for the
22 healing arts or any other state agency against physicians who do not maintain
23 specialty medical board certification including recertification.

24 **4. No hospital, health care facility, or institution or program**
25 **owned, operated, or licensed by the state shall condition employment**
26 **or the granting of medical staff privileges on a physician's maintenance**
27 **of certification status.**

28 **5. No health carrier, as defined in section 376.1350, shall**
29 **condition physician reimbursement or participation in the carrier's**
30 **health plans on a physician's maintenance of certification status.**

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