SENATE BILL 296

By Gardenhire

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to health professions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-6-211(a), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (a)(1) and adding the following as subdivision (a)(2):

- (2) When the board receives a completed application for licensure from an applicant who is licensed in another state or territory of the United States or in the District of Columbia, then the board shall, within forty-five (45) days from the date the board receives the completed application:
 - (A) Render a decision on the application; and

(B)

- (i) Issue the license; or
- (ii) Inform the applicant of its decision to deny licensure and the reasons for the denial.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-9-105(b), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (b)(1) and adding the following as subdivision (b)(2):

(2) When the board receives a completed application for licensure from an applicant who is licensed in another state or territory of the United States or in the District of Columbia, then the board shall, within forty-five (45) days from the date the board receives the completed application:

(A) Render a decision on the application; and

(B)

- (i) Issue the license; or
- (ii) Inform the applicant of its decision to deny licensure and the reasons for the denial.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-7-105(b), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (b)(1) and adding the following as subdivision (b)(2):

- (2) When the board receives a completed application for licensure from an applicant who is licensed in another state or territory, then the board shall, within forty-five (45) days from the date the board receives the completed application:
 - (A) Render a decision on the application; and

(B)

- (i) Issue the license; or
- (ii) Inform the applicant of its decision to deny licensure and the reasons for the denial.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-7-110(b), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (b)(1) and adding the following as subdivision (b)(2):

- (2) When the board receives a completed application for licensure from an applicant who is licensed in another state or territory, then the board shall, within forty-five (45) days from the date the board receives the completed application:
 - (A) Render a decision on the application; and

(B)

(i) Issue the license; or

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(ii) Inform the applicant of its decision to deny licensure and the reasons for the denial.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-19-105(b), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (b)(1) and adding the following as subdivision (b)(2):

- (2) When the board receives a completed application for licensure from an applicant who is licensed in another jurisdiction, then the board shall, within forty-five(45) days from the date the board receives the completed application:
 - (A) Render a decision on the application; and

(B)

- (i) Issue the license; or
- (ii) Inform the applicant of its decision to deny licensure and the reasons for the denial.

SECTION 6. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to applications submitted on or after the effective date of this act.

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