CHAPTER 128

TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES FOR MEDICAL AND PODIATRY PRACTITIONERS

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AN ACT relating to temporary certificates issued by the board of medical examiners and the board of podiatry examiners.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 148.10, Code 1987, is amended to read as follows: 148.10 TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE.

The medical examiners may, in their discretion, issue a temporary certificate authorizing the licensee to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery whenever in a specific location or locations and for a specified period of time if, in the opinion of the medical examiners, a need exists therefor and the person possesses the qualifications prescribed by the medical examiners for such the license, which shall be substantially equivalent to those required for licensure under this chapter or chapter 150A, as the case may be. The medical examiners shall determine in each instance those eligible for this license, whether or not examinations shall be given, and the type of examinations. No requirements of the law pertaining to regular permanent licensure shall be are mandatory for this temporary license except as specifically designated by the medical examiners. The granting of a temporary license does not in any way indicate that the person so licensed is necessarily eligible for regular licensure, nor are the medical examiners in any way obligated to so license such the person.

The temporary certificate shall be issued for a period not to exceed one year and, at the discretion of the medical examiners may be renewed, but no a person shall be entitled to not practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery in excess of three years while holding a temporary certificate. The fee for this license and the fee for renewal of this license shall be set by the medical examiners and if extended beyond one year a renewal fee per year shall be set by the medical examiners. The fees shall be based on the administrative costs of issuing and renewing the licenses. The medical examiners may cancel a temporary certificate at any time, without a hearing, for reasons deemed sufficient to the medical examiners.

When the medical examiners cancel a temporary certificate they shall promptly notify the licensee by registered United States mail, at the licensee's last-named address, as reflected by the files of the medical examiners, and the temporary certificate shall become is terminated and of no further force and effect three days after the giving of said the notice to the licensee.

Sec. 2. Section 149.7, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1987, is amended to read as follows: The podiatry examiners may issue a temporary certificate to an academic staff member of a podiatry school in this state authorizing the licensee named in the certificate to practice podiatry if, in the opinion of the podiatry examiners, determine that a need exists and the person possesses the qualifications prescribed by the podiatry examiners for the certificate, which shall be substantially equivalent to those required for regular licensure under this chapter. The podiatry examiners shall determine in each instance the applicant's eligibility for the certificate, whether or not examinations an examination shall be given, and the type of examinations examination. The requirements of the law pertaining to regular permanent licensure shall not be mandatory for this temporary certificate except as specifically designated by the podiatry examiners. The granting of a temporary certificate does not in any way indicate that the person licensed is necessarily eligible for regular licensure, and the podiatry examiners are not obligated to license the person.