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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4890

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 4890 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Illinois Dental Practice Act is amended by
5 changing Section 16.1 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 25/16.1) (from Ch. 111, par. 2316.1)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2026)

8 Sec. 16.1. Continuing education. The Department shall
9 promulgate rules of continuing education for persons licensed
10 under this Act. In establishing rules, the Department shall
11 require a minimum of 48 hours of study in approved courses for
12 dentists during each 3-year licensing period and a minimum of
13 36 hours of study in approved courses for dental hygienists
14 during each 3-year licensing period.

15 The Department shall approve only courses that are
16 relevant to the treatment and care of patients, including, but

1 not limited to, clinical courses in dentistry and dental
2 hygiene and nonclinical courses such as patient management,
3 legal and ethical responsibilities, and stress management.
4 Continuing education requirements shall only be related to the
5 specialty of the licensee. The Department shall allow up to 4
6 hours of continuing education credit hours per license renewal
7 period for volunteer hours spent providing clinical services
8 at, or sponsored by, a nonprofit community clinic, local or
9 state health department, or a charity event. Courses shall not
10 be approved in such subjects as estate and financial planning,
11 investments, or personal health. Approved courses may include,
12 but shall not be limited to, courses that are offered or
13 sponsored by approved colleges, universities, and hospitals
14 and by recognized national, State, and local dental and dental
15 hygiene organizations.

16 No license shall be renewed unless the renewal application
17 is accompanied by an affidavit indicating that the applicant
18 has completed the required minimum number of hours of
19 continuing education in approved courses as required by this
20 Section. The affidavit shall not require a listing of courses.
21 The affidavit shall be a prima facie evidence that the
22 applicant has obtained the minimum number of required
23 continuing education hours in approved courses. The Department
24 shall not be obligated to conduct random audits or otherwise
25 independently verify that an applicant has met the continuing
26 education requirement. The Department, however, may not

1 conduct random audits of more than 10% of the licensed
2 dentists and dental hygienists in any one licensing cycle to
3 verify compliance with continuing education requirements. If
4 the Department, however, receives a complaint that a licensee
5 has not completed the required continuing education or if the
6 Department is investigating another alleged violation of this
7 Act by a licensee, the Department may demand and shall be
8 entitled to receive evidence from any licensee of completion
9 of required continuing education courses for the most recently
10 completed 3-year licensing period. Evidence of continuing
11 education may include, but is not limited to, canceled checks,
12 official verification forms of attendance, and continuing
13 education recording forms, that demonstrate a reasonable
14 record of attendance. The Board shall determine, in accordance
15 with rules adopted by the Department, whether a licensee or
16 applicant has met the continuing education requirements. Any
17 dentist who holds more than one license under this Act shall be
18 required to complete only the minimum number of hours of
19 continuing education required for renewal of a single license.
20 The Department may provide exemptions from continuing
21 education requirements.

22 (Source: P.A. 99-492, eff. 12-31-15.)

23 Section 10. The Medical Practice Act of 1987 is amended by
24 changing Section 20 as follows:

1 (225 ILCS 60/20) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-20)

2 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2027)

3 Sec. 20. Continuing education. The Department shall
4 promulgate rules of continuing education for persons licensed
5 under this Act that require an average of 50 hours of
6 continuing education per license year. Continuing education
7 requirements shall only be related to the specialty of the
8 licensee. These rules shall be consistent with requirements of
9 relevant professional associations, specialty societies, or
10 boards. The rules shall also address variances in part or in
11 whole for good cause, including, but not limited to, temporary
12 illness or hardship. In establishing these rules, the
13 Department shall consider educational requirements for medical
14 staffs, requirements for specialty society board certification
15 or for continuing education requirements as a condition of
16 membership in societies representing the 2 categories of
17 licensee under this Act. These rules shall assure that
18 licensees are given the opportunity to participate in those
19 programs sponsored by or through their professional
20 associations or hospitals which are relevant to their
21 practice. Each licensee is responsible for maintaining records
22 of completion of continuing education and shall be prepared to
23 produce the records when requested by the Department.

24 (Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11.)

25 Section 15. The Illinois Optometric Practice Act of 1987

1 is amended by changing Section 16 as follows:

2 (225 ILCS 80/16) (from Ch. 111, par. 3916)

3 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2027)

4 Sec. 16. Renewal, reinstatement or restoration of
5 licenses; military service. The expiration date and renewal
6 period for each license issued under this Act shall be set by
7 rule.

8 All renewal applicants shall provide proof of having met
9 the requirements of continuing education set forth in the
10 rules of the Department. The Department shall, by rule,
11 provide for an orderly process for the reinstatement of
12 licenses which have not been renewed due to failure to meet the
13 continuing education requirements. The continuing education
14 requirement may be waived for such good cause, including but
15 not limited to illness or hardship, as defined by rules of the
16 Department. Continuing education requirements, as set by the
17 Department, shall only be related to the specialty of the
18 licensee.

19 The Department shall establish by rule a means for the
20 verification of completion of the continuing education
21 required by this Section. This verification may be
22 accomplished through audits of records maintained by
23 registrants; by requiring the filing of continuing education
24 certificates with the Department; or by other means
25 established by the Department.

1 Any licensee seeking renewal of his or her license during
2 the renewal cycle beginning April 1, 2008 must first complete
3 a tested educational course in the use of oral pharmaceutical
4 agents for the management of ocular conditions, as approved by
5 the Board.

6 Any optometrist who has permitted his or her license to
7 expire or who has had his or her license on inactive status may
8 have his or her license restored by making application to the
9 Department and filing proof acceptable to the Department of
10 his or her fitness to have his or her license restored and by
11 paying the required fees. Such proof of fitness may include
12 evidence certifying to active lawful practice in another
13 jurisdiction and must include proof of the completion of the
14 continuing education requirements specified in the rules for
15 the preceding license renewal period that has been completed
16 during the 2 years prior to the application for license
17 restoration.

18 The Department shall determine, by an evaluation program
19 established by rule, his or her fitness for restoration of his
20 or her license and shall establish procedures and requirements
21 for such restoration.

22 However, any optometrist whose license expired while he or
23 she was (1) in Federal Service on active duty with the Armed
24 Forces of the United States, or the State Militia called into
25 service or training, or (2) in training or education under the
26 supervision of the United States preliminary to induction into

1 the military service, may have his or her license restored
2 without paying any lapsed renewal fees if within 2 years after
3 honorable termination of such service, training, or education,
4 he or she furnishes the Department with satisfactory evidence
5 to the effect that he or she has been so engaged and that his
6 or her service, training, or education has been so terminated.

7 All licenses without "Therapeutic Certification" on March
8 31, 2006 shall be placed on non-renewed status and may only be
9 renewed after the licensee meets those requirements
10 established by the Department that may not be waived. All
11 licensees on March 31, 2010 without a certification of
12 completion of an oral pharmaceutical course as required by
13 this Section shall be placed on non-renewed status and may
14 only be renewed after the licensee meets those requirements
15 established by the Department that may not be waived.

16 (Source: P.A. 95-242, eff. 1-1-08; 96-270, eff. 1-1-10.)

17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
18 becoming law."