

CHAPTER 424

AN ACT to create 147.15 (1m) of the statutes, relating to applications of certain foreign trained physicians for permanent license to practice medicine and surgery.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

147.15 (1m) of the statutes is created to read:

147.15 (1m) FOREIGN APPLICANTS. Where an applicant is a graduate of a foreign medical school which has not been approved or recognized by the board under sub. (1), but the board has reason to believe that the applicant may have professional qualifications, as of the date of his application, through recognized postgraduate work done in this country, or through professional experience, or both, which have given him premedical training substantially equivalent to that offered in the premedical course at the university of Wisconsin, or professional training substantially equivalent to that of the medical school of that university, or both, as provided in sub. (1), the board may in its discretion make such further inquiry, including a personal interview, as may satisfy the board that he has such equivalent premedical and medical training. If a majority of the board is so satisfied, it may waive the educational prerequisites imposed by sub. (1), and admit the applicant to examination under s. 147.16. In the course of making such additional inquiry, it shall in each instance ask the dean of any medical school approved and recognized by it to examine, or have examined, the premedical and medical qualifications of such applicant, and to state in writing whether such applicant, at the time of his examination had received such premedical and medical school training, or its equivalent, as would meet the present standards for graduation of the professional school headed by such dean. If in the opinion of such examiner the applicant has had the equivalent of a full course of premedical and medical training offered by the school of which the examiner is a faculty member, his statement shall so state. Unless the dean designated by the board to make such examination of qualifications, or a faculty member appointed by him reports affirmatively, the board shall not exempt such applicant from the educational prerequisites imposed by sub. (1). The fee for examining the preprofessional and professional qualifications of such applicant shall be based upon the time required of the board, or its designated agent. In no event shall it be less than \$100 nor more than \$300. No more than 25 licenses a year shall be issued under this subsection and it shall expire on July 1, 1961.

Approved July 20, 1957.