ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 231-COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND LABOR

MARCH 4, 2003

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Requires State Board of Podiatry to issue limited license to practice podiatry under certain circumstances. (BDR 54-997)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to podiatry; requiring the State Board of Podiatry to issue a limited license to practice podiatry to certain persons who have practiced podiatry in another state or the District of Columbia under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 635 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

- 1. The Board shall issue a limited license to practice podiatry pursuant to this section to each applicant who complies with the provisions of this section.
- 2. An applicant for a limited license to practice podiatry must submit to the Board:
 - (a) An application on a form provided by the Board;
- 9 (b) A fee in the amount of the fee for an application for a 10 license required pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 2 of NRS 11 635.050; and
 - (c) Satisfactory proof that he:

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- (1) Is of good moral character;
- 14 (2) Is a citizen of the United States or is lawfully entitled to 15 remain and work in the United States;
 - (3) For not less than 25 years:



- (I) Was licensed to practice podiatry in one or more states or the District of Columbia and practiced podiatry during the period each such license was in effect; and
- (II) Remained licensed in good standing at all times during the period he was licensed to practice podiatry; and
- (4) Has not committed any act described in subsection 2 of NRS 635.130. For the purposes of this subparagraph, an affidavit signed by the applicant stating that he has not committed any act described in subsection 2 of NRS 635.130 constitutes satisfactory proof.
- 3. An applicant for a limited license is not required to be licensed to practice podiatry in another state or the District of Columbia when he submits the application for a limited license to the Board.
- 4. A person who is issued a limited license pursuant to this section may practice podiatry only under the direct supervision of a podiatric physician who is licensed pursuant to this chapter and who does not hold a limited license issued pursuant to this section.
 - 5. A limited license issued pursuant to this section:
 - (a) Is effective upon issuance; and
 - (b) May be renewed in the manner prescribed in NRS 635.110.
 - 6. The Board may:

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- (a) Place such restrictions and conditions upon a limited license issued pursuant to this section as the Board deems appropriate; and
- (b) Adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.
 - **Sec. 2.** NRS 635.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 635.050 1. Any person desiring to practice podiatry in this state must furnish the Board with satisfactory proof that he:
 - (a) Is of good moral character.
- (b) Is a citizen of the United States or is lawfully entitled to remain and work in the United States.
- (c) Has received the degree of D.P.M., [{] Doctor of Podiatric Medicine [}], from an accredited school of podiatry.
 - (d) Has completed a residency approved by the Board.
- (e) Has passed the examination given by the National Board of **Podiatry** *Podiatric Medical* Examiners.
- (f) Has not committed any act described in subsection 2 of NRS 635.130. For the purposes of this paragraph, an affidavit signed by the applicant stating that he has not committed any act described in subsection 2 of NRS 635.130 constitutes satisfactory proof.
- 2. An applicant is entitled to be examined by the Board or a committee thereof pursuant to such regulations as the Board may adopt if he:



(a) Pays the fee for an application for a license of not more than \$600;

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- (b) Pays the fee for the examination for a license of not more than \$200:
- (c) Submits the statement required pursuant to NRS 635.056; and
- (d) Submits proof satisfactory to the Board as required by subsection 1.
- The Board shall, by regulation, establish the fees required to be paid pursuant to this subsection.
- 3. The Board may reject an application if it appears that the applicant's credentials are fraudulent or the applicant has practiced podiatry without a license or committed any act described in subsection 2 of NRS 635.130.
- 4. The Board may require such further documentation or proof of qualification as it may deem proper.
- 5. The provisions of this section do not apply to a person who applies for a limited license to practice podiatry pursuant to section 1 of this act.
- **Sec. 3.** 1. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.
- 2. Section 2 of this act expires by limitation on the date on which the provisions of 42 U.S.C. § 666 requiring each state to establish procedures under which the state has authority to withhold or suspend, or to restrict the use of professional, occupational and recreational licenses of persons who:
- (a) Have failed to comply with a subpoena or warrant relating to a procedure to determine the paternity of a child or to establish or enforce an obligation for the support of a child; or
- 30 (b) Are in arrears in the payment for the support of one or more 31 children,
- are repealed by the Congress of the United States.



