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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 334, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to continuing education requirements for physicians.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 334, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new
2 section, to be known as section 334.280, to read as follows:

**334.280. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms shall
2 mean:**

3 (1) "Continuous medical education", continued postgraduate
4 medical education intended to provide medical professionals with
5 knowledge of new developments in their field;

6 (2) "Maintenance of certification", any process requiring periodic
7 recertification examinations to maintain specialty medical board
8 certification;

9 (3) "Maintenance of licensure", the Federation of State Medical
10 Boards' proprietary framework for physician license renewal including
11 additional periodic testing other than continuous medical education;

12 (4) "Specialty medical board certification", certification by a
13 board that specializes in one particular area of medicine and typically
14 requires additional and more strenuous exams than state board of
15 medicine requirements to practice medicine.

16 2. The state shall not require any form of maintenance of
17 licensure as a condition of physician licensure including requiring any
18 form of maintenance of licensure tied to maintenance of
19 certification. Current requirements including continuous medical
20 education shall suffice to demonstrate professional competency.

21 3. The state shall not require any form of specialty medical board

22 certification or any maintenance of certification to practice medicine
23 within the state. There shall be no discrimination by the state board
24 of registration for the healing arts or any other state agency against
25 physicians who do not maintain specialty medical board certification
26 including recertification.

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