THE PHARMACY BOARD (AMENDMENT)
BILL, 2006

Arrangement of Clauses

Clause

1. Short title
2. Interpretation
3. Section 2 amended
4. Section 16 amended
5. Section 17 amended
6. Section 17A repealed
7. Section 18 repealed and substituted
8. Section 18A repealed and substituted
9. Section 24 amended
10. Section 40 amended
As Amended in the Senate

Fourth Session  Eighth Parliament  Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

Senate

Bill

An Act to amend the Pharmacy Board Act, Chap. 29:52
Explanatory Note

(These notes form no part of the Bill but are intended only to indicate its general purport)

This Bill seeks to amend the Pharmacy Board Act, Chap. 29:52 to allow for the registration of foreign pharmacists.

Clause 1 of the Bill contains the short title.

Clause 2 of the Bill contains the interpretation section.

Clause 3 of the Bill would amend section 2 of the Act by inserting a definition for the term “approved pharmaceutical establishment” and will delete the definitions for “pre-registration experience”, “pre-registration pharmacist” and “pre-registration tutor”.

Clause 4 of the Bill would amend section 16 subsection (1) of the Act by deleting certain words.

Clause 5 of the Bill would amend section 17 subsection (1) of the Act by deleting paragraphs (b), (c) and (e) thereof.

Clause 6 of the Bill would repeal section 17A of the Act.

Clause 7 of the Bill would repeal section 18 of the Act and substitute a new section pertaining to temporary licences.

Clause 8 of the Bill would repeal section 18A of the Act and substitute a new section that would deal with Registration.

Clause 9 of the Bill would amend section 24 of the Act by deleting certain words and substituting others.

Clause 10 of the Bill would amend section 40 of the Act by deleting certain words.
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AN ACT to amend the Pharmacy Board Act, Chap. 29:52

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ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as Enactment follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Pharmacy Board Short title (Amendment) Act, 2006.
2. In this Act “the Act” means the Pharmacy Board Act.

3. Section 2 of the Act is amended—
   
   (a) by inserting in alphabetical order the following definition:
   
   “approved pharmaceutical establishment” means:
   
   (i) a retail pharmacy business;
   
   (ii) the pharmaceutical department of a hospital or similar institution; or
   
   (iii) a pharmaceutical industrial establishment,
   
   as approved by the Council.
   
   (b) by deleting the following definitions:
   
   (i) “pre-registration experience”;
   
   (ii) “pre-registration pharmacist”;
   
   and
   
   (iii) “pre-registration tutor”.
   
   (c) by inserting a full stop after the word “registration” in the definition of “responsible pharmacist” and by deleting all the words appearing thereafter.

4. Section 16(1) of the Act is amended—
   
   (a) in paragraph (c) by deleting the words “and pre-registration pharmacists”;
   
   and
   
   (b) in paragraph (f) by deleting the words “pharmaceutical students” and substituting the words “temporary licence holders”.”
5. Section 17 of the Act is amended in subsection (1), by deleting paragraphs (b), (c) and (e).

6. Section 17A of the Act is repealed.

7. Section 18 of the Act is repealed and the following new section is substituted:

18. (1) The Registrar shall issue a temporary licence to an applicant to practise pharmacy at an approved pharmaceutical establishment for a period of three months where the applicant is a national of a Caricom Member State and—

(a) has been awarded a degree in Pharmacy by an institution recognized by the Accreditation council of Trinidad and Tobago;

(b) has established to the satisfaction of the Council that—

(i) he is of good character; and

(ii) he is mentally and physically capable of performing satisfactorily the duties of a pharmacist; and

(c) has paid the prescribed fee.

(2) The Registrar shall issue a temporary licence to an applicant to practise pharmacy at an approved pharmaceutical establishment for a period of three months where the applicant is a national of a non-Caricom Member State and where the applicant—
(a) satisfies all the requirements listed in paragraphs (a) to (c) of section 18(1); and
(b) is the holder of a valid licence to practise pharmacy in another jurisdiction.

(3) The three month period of supervision, referred to in subsections (1) and (2) may be extended for such further period by the Pharmacy Board upon recommendation by the Chief Medical Officer.

(4) The Registrar shall issue a temporary licence to practise pharmacy to an applicant to train as a pharmacist at an approved pharmaceutical establishment for a period of six months where the applicant—

(a) satisfies the requirements listed in paragraphs (b) and (c) of section 18(1); and
(b) is the holder of a degree in Pharmacy from the University of the West Indies.

8. Section 18A of the Act is repealed and the following new section is substituted:

18A (1) A person to whom a temporary licence has been issued under section 18(1) and (2), shall be registered as a Pharmacist upon presentation of a certificate from the Chief Medical Officer certifying that he has worked under the supervision of a responsible pharmacist at an approved pharmaceutical establishment and is now competent to registered as a pharmacist.
(2) A person to whom a temporary licence has been issued under section 18(4), shall be registered as a Pharmacist upon presentation of a written declaration by a responsible pharmacist that the applicant has completed eight hundred and forty hours of training and is now competent to be registered as a pharmacist.”.

9. The Act is amended in section 24 by deleting the words “a pre-registration pharmacist or a pharmaceutical student” wherever they occur and substituting therefor “a temporary licence holder”.

10. The Act is amended in section 40(1)—

(a) by deleting paragraphs “(a)” and “(b)”;

and

(b) in paragraph (e), by deleting the words “pharmaceutical students, pre-registration pharmacists,”.

Passed in the Senate this day of , 2006.

Acting Clerk of the Senate

I confirm the above.

President of the Senate
Passed in the House of Representatives this day of , 2006.

Acting Clerk of the House

I confirm the above.

Speaker
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