

No. 1994-62

AN ACT

HB 2568

Amending the act of July 2, 1993 (P.L.437, No.63), entitled "An act providing for the eligibility of certain persons for licensure to practice chiropractic and for colleges' notice as to accreditation; and making a repeal," further providing for licensure eligibility and for expiration.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Sections 1 and 4 of the act of July 2, 1993 (P.L.437, No.63), entitled "An act providing for the eligibility of certain persons for licensure to practice chiropractic and for colleges' notice as to accreditation; and making a repeal," are amended to read:

Section 1. Eligibility for licensure.

(a) General rule.—If the chiropractic accrediting agency of a chiropractic college loses or has lost its recognition by the United States Department of Education, a student who had matriculated and begun his studies at the college prior to the effective date of the loss of recognition *or during whose enrollment at the college an application for accreditation had been made or had been pending before a chiropractic accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education as of April 1, 1994*, shall, upon completion of his degree program, be admitted to the chiropractic licensing examination and shall be eligible for licensure to practice chiropractic if he otherwise satisfies the requirements of the act of December 16, 1986 (P.L.1646, No.188), known as the Chiropractic Practice Act, provided that:

[(1) the college continues to be accredited by the chiropractic accrediting agency;

[(2)] (1) the college continues to have the authority, under the laws of the state in which it is located, to grant the doctor of chiropractic (D.C.) degree; and

[(3)] (2) either the college is located in Pennsylvania or the student was a bona fide resident of Pennsylvania as of *either* June 4, 1993, *or the student's date of matriculation.*

(b) Applicability.—The provisions of this section shall apply only to students who **[graduate] matriculate** on or before **[December 31, 1996] May 31, 1995**.

Section 4. Expiration.

The provisions of this act shall expire **[the earlier of the following:**

(1) January 1] December 31, 1997[; or

(2) as to any chiropractic college affected by this legislation, and as to its students, on the date that such college obtains accreditation

from a chiropractic accrediting agency approved by the United States Department of Education or the Council on Post-Secondary Accreditation].

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 1st day of July, A.D. 1994.

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