

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to osteopathic physician certification
 3 and licensure; amending s. 459.0055, F.S.; requiring
 4 the successful completion of an internship or
 5 residency for licensure or certification as an
 6 osteopathic physician; providing accreditation
 7 requirements for such internships and residencies;
 8 providing an effective date.

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 10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 12 Section 1. Paragraph (1) of subsection (1) of section
 13 459.0055, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

14 459.0055 General licensure requirements.—

15 (1) Except as otherwise provided herein, any person
 16 desiring to be licensed or certified as an osteopathic physician
 17 pursuant to this chapter shall:

18 (1) Demonstrate that she or he has successfully completed
 19 an internship or residency ~~a resident internship~~ of not less
 20 than 12 months in a program accredited ~~hospital approved~~ for
 21 this purpose by the ~~Board of Trustees of the American~~
 22 Osteopathic Association or the Accreditation Council for
 23 Graduate Medical Education ~~any other internship program approved~~
 24 ~~by the board upon a showing of good cause by the applicant.~~ This
 25 requirement may be waived for an applicant who matriculated in a

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26 | college of osteopathic medicine during or before 1948; and
27 | Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.