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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FOREIGN MEDICAL GRADUATES.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

SECTION 1. Section 453-4.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

**"§453-4.5 Foreign medical graduates; alternative qualifications.** Notwithstanding section 453-4(b)(2)(B), a graduate of a foreign medical school who has [passed]:

(1) Passed the Federation Licensing Examination (FLEX) or the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE), or a combination of these examinations as approved by the board, with scores deemed satisfactory to the board~~[, passed]~~;

(2) Passed the qualifying examination of the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates prior to 1984~~[, ]~~; and ~~[has at]~~

(3) At least three years of medical training or experience in a hospital approved by the Council on Medical Education and Hospitals of the American Medical Association for internship or residency; provided that



1        one of the three years of medical training or  
2        experience may be substituted by one year of  
3        fellowship training where the parent program or  
4        hospital is accredited by the Accreditation Council  
5        for Graduate Medical Education;

6        may be licensed by the Hawaii medical board under section  
7        453-4(c)."

8        SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
9        and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

10       SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:



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# H.B. NO. 1430

**Report Title:**

Medical and Surgery; License; Qualifications; Foreign Medical Graduates; Alternative Qualifications; Fellowship

**Description:**

Allows foreign medical school graduates applying for a license to practice medicine and surgery to substitute one year of required medical training or experience in a hospital with one year of fellowship training where the parent program or hospital is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education.

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