

CHAPTER 194
FORMERLY
HOUSE BILL NO. 178

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 24 CHAPTER 17 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

Section 1. Amend Title 24, Section 1720(b) by deleting paragraph 8 in its entirety.

Section 2. Amend Title 24, Section 1740(b)(1) as follows:

(1) The Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline shall not issue a certificate to practice medicine without first obtaining 1 or more service letters regarding the applicant, provided that person has previously practiced medicine. The service letter obtained must include a service letter from all health care facilities where that person currently has direct access to patients, and where that person has admitting or staff privileges. In addition, if a person seeking certification had direct access to patients or staff or admitting privileges at a health care facility within the past three years, the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline shall also obtain a service letter from each such facility. If a person seeking certification has not previously had direct access to patients or was self-employed or 1 or more of the health care facilities where that person had direct access to patients no longer exists, then the Board must require the person to provide letters of reference from 2 physicians who are familiar with the person, but who are not relatives of the person.

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