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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 276

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**"AN ACT CONCERNING LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR ACUPUNCTURISTS."**

1 Strike lines 18 to 21, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Department of Education and included (A) for a person who  
4 completed such course of study before October 1, 2012, a minimum of  
5 one thousand three hundred fifty hours of didactic and clinical  
6 training, five hundred of which were clinical, or (B) for a person who  
7 completed such course of study on or after October 1, 2012, a  
8 minimum of one thousand nine hundred five hours of didactic and  
9 clinical training, six hundred sixty of which were clinical, (3) has  
10 passed all portions of the National Certification Commission for"

11 In line 58, strike "Each person seeking to"

12 Strike lines 59 to 62, inclusive, in their entirety and substitute the

13 following in lieu thereof:

14 (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, for  
15 registration periods beginning on and after October 1, 2014, a licensee  
16 applying for license renewal shall (A) maintain a certification by the  
17 National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental  
18 Medicine, or (B) earn not less than thirty contact hours of continuing  
19 education approved by the National Certification Commission for  
20 Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine within the preceding twenty-four  
21 month period.

22 (2) Each licensee applying for license renewal pursuant to section  
23 19a-88, except a licensee applying for a license renewal for the first  
24 time, shall sign a statement attesting that he or she has satisfied the  
25 certification or continuing education requirements described in  
26 subdivision (1) of this subsection on a form prescribed by the  
27 department. Each licensee shall retain records of attendance or  
28 certificates of completion that demonstrate compliance with the  
29 continuing education or certification requirements described in  
30 subdivision (1) of this subsection for not less than five years following  
31 the date on which the continuing education was completed or the  
32 certification was renewed. Each licensee shall submit such records to  
33 the department for inspection not later than forty-five days after a  
34 request by the department for such records.

35 (3) In individual cases involving medical disability or illness, the  
36 commissioner may grant a waiver of the continuing education or  
37 certification requirements or an extension of time within which to  
38 fulfill such requirements of this subsection to any licensee, provided  
39 the licensee submits to the department an application for waiver or  
40 extension of time on a form prescribed by the commissioner, along  
41 with a certification by a licensed physician of the disability or illness  
42 and such other documentation as may be required by the department.  
43 The commissioner may grant a waiver or extension for a period not to  
44 exceed one registration period, except that the commissioner may  
45 grant additional waivers or extensions if the medical disability or

46 illness upon which a waiver or extension is granted continues beyond  
47 the period of the waiver or extension and the licensee applies for an  
48 additional waiver or extension.

49 (4) A licensee whose license has become void pursuant to section  
50 19a-88 and who applies to the department for reinstatement of such  
51 license, shall submit evidence documenting valid acupuncture  
52 certification by the National Certification Commission for  
53 Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine or successful completion of fifteen  
54 contact hours of continuing education within the one-year period  
55 immediately preceding application for reinstatement."