

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 7, 2010

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009—10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1996

Introduced by Assembly Member Hill

February 17, 2010

An act to amend an initiative act entitled “An act prescribing the terms upon which licenses may be issued to practitioners of chiropractic, creating the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners and declaring its powers and duties, prescribing penalties for violation thereof, and repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent therewith” approved by electors November 7, 1922, by amending Section 12 thereof, relating to chiropractors, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 1996, as amended, Hill. Chiropractors: license renewal fee.

Existing law, the Chiropractic Act, enacted by initiative, provides for the licensure and regulation of chiropractors by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners. Under the act, each person practicing chiropractic, after a license has been issued, is annually required to pay the board a renewal fee not exceeding \$150, as determined by the board. Existing law authorizes the Legislature to fix these fees. Existing law directs the deposit of these funds into the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners’ Fund, a continuously appropriated fund.

This bill would require a licensee to pay ~~at least a \$200~~ \$150 renewal fee ~~and no more than \$350~~. *On and after July 1, 2011, the bill would increase the renewal fee to \$210. On and after July 1, 2012, the bill would require a licensee to pay a renewal fee of at least \$245 and no more than \$295, as determined by the board. By increasing ~~that the~~*

amount *deposited* in the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners’ Fund, the bill would make an appropriation.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes.
 State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 12 of the act cited in this title is amended
 2 to read:
 3 Sec.12. Licenses issued under the provisions of this section
 4 expire at 12 midnight on the last day of the month of birth of
 5 licentiates of the board.
 6 On or before July 1, 1991, the board shall establish regulations
 7 for the administration of a birth month renewal program. Each
 8 person practicing chiropractic within this state shall, on or before
 9 the last day of their month of birth of each year, after a license is
 10 issued to them as herein provided, pay to the Board of Chiropractic
 11 Examiners a renewal fee of ~~at least two hundred dollars (\$200)~~
 12 ~~and not more than three hundred fifty dollars (\$350)~~ *one hundred*
 13 *fifty dollars (\$150). On and after July 1, 2011, the renewal fee*
 14 *shall be two hundred ten dollars (\$210). On and after July 1, 2012,*
 15 *the renewal fee shall be at least two hundred forty-five dollars*
 16 *(\$245) and no more than two hundred ninety-five dollars (\$295),*
 17 as determined by the board. The secretary shall mail to all licensed
 18 chiropractors in this state, on or before 60 days prior to the last
 19 day of the month of their birth each year, a notice that the renewal
 20 fee will be due on or before the last day of the month of their birth
 21 next following. Nothing in this act shall be construed to require
 22 the receipts to be recorded in like manner as original licenses. The
 23 failure, neglect or refusal of any person holding a license or
 24 certificate to practice under this act in the State of California to
 25 pay the annual fee during the time their license remains in force
 26 shall, after a period of 60 days from the last day of the month of
 27 their birth automatically work a forfeiture of his or her license or
 28 certificate, and it shall not be restored except upon the written
 29 application therefor and the payment to the board of a fee of twice
 30 the annual amount of the renewal fee in effect at the time the
 31 restoration application is filed except that a licentiate who fails,
 32 refuses or neglects to pay the annual tax within a period of 60 days
 33 after the last day of the month of his or her birth of each year shall

- 1 not be required to submit to an examination for the reissuance of
- 2 the certificate.

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