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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 a ~~\$150 renewal fee. 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~~ *an annual renewal fee of*

not more than \$250, as determined by the board. By increasing 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 ~~one hundred fifty dollars (\$150). On~~
12 ~~and after July 1, 2011, the renewal fee shall be two hundred ten~~
13 ~~dollars (\$210). On and after July 1, 2012, the renewal fee shall be~~
14 ~~at least two hundred forty-five dollars (\$245) and no more than~~
15 ~~two hundred ninety-five dollars (\$295); not more than two hundred~~
16 *fifty dollars (\$250)* as determined by the board. The secretary shall
17 mail to all licensed chiropractors in this state, on or before 60 days
18 prior to the last day of the month of their birth each year, a notice
19 that the renewal fee will be due on or before the last day of the
20 month of their birth next following. Nothing in this act shall be
21 construed to require the receipts to be recorded in like manner as
22 original licenses. The failure, neglect or refusal of any person
23 holding a license or certificate to practice under this act in the State
24 of California to pay the annual fee during the time their license
25 remains in force shall, after a period of 60 days from the last day
26 of the month of their birth automatically work a forfeiture of his
27 or her license or certificate, and it shall not be restored except upon
28 the written application therefor and the payment to the board of a
29 fee of twice the annual amount of the renewal fee in effect at the
30 time the restoration application is filed except that a licentiate who
31 fails, refuses or neglects to pay the annual tax within a period of
32 60 days after the last day of the month of his or her birth of each

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

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