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ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1758

Introduced by Assembly Member Patterson
(Coauthor: Senator Lieu)

February 14, 2014

An act to amend Sections 1724, 1944, 2435, 2538.57, 2570.16, 2688, 2987, 4842.5, 4905, 4970, and 5604 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to healing arts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1758, as amended, Patterson. Healing arts: initial license fees: proration.

Existing law provides for the regulation and licensure of various professions and vocations. Existing law requires that licenses issued to certain licensees, including, among others, architects, acupuncturists, dental hygienists, dentists, occupational therapists, physical therapists, physicians and surgeons, psychologists, and veterinarians, expire at 12 a.m. on either the last day of the birth month of the licensee or at 12 a.m. of the legal birth date of the licensee during the 2nd year of a 2-year term if not renewed.

This bill would require that the fee for an initial temporary or permanent license, or an original license, as specified, imposed pursuant to these provisions be prorated on a monthly basis, but would authorize

a board or committee, as applicable, to impose an additional fee to cover the reasonable costs of issuing an initial or original license that expires in less than 12 months, as specified. The bill would limit the total amount of the prorated fee and the additional fee imposed for an initial or original license that expires in less than 12 months to $\frac{1}{2}$ of the fee for an initial or original license, as specified.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 1724 of the Business and Professions
2 Code is amended to read:
3 1724. The amount of charges and fees for dentists licensed
4 pursuant to this chapter shall be established by the board as is
5 necessary for the purpose of carrying out the responsibilities
6 required by this chapter as it relates to dentists, subject to the
7 following limitations:
8 (a) The fee for application for examination shall not exceed five
9 hundred dollars (\$500).
10 (b) The fee for application for reexamination shall not exceed
11 one hundred dollars (\$100).
12 (c) The fee for examination and for reexamination shall not
13 exceed eight hundred dollars (\$800). Applicants who are found to
14 be ineligible to take the examination shall be entitled to a refund
15 in an amount fixed by the board.
16 (d) The fee for an initial license and for the renewal of a license
17 shall not exceed four hundred fifty dollars (\$450). The fee for an
18 initial license shall be prorated on a monthly basis. The board may,
19 however, with respect to an initial license that expires in less than
20 12 months, impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the
21 reasonable costs of issuing the license if the board makes a
22 determination in writing that the prorated fee for the initial license
23 is insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license
24 and that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs. The
25 total amount of the prorated initial license fee and any additional
26 fee imposed by the board pursuant to this subdivision for an initial
27 license that expires in less than 12 months shall not exceed two
28 hundred twenty-five dollars (\$225).

1 (e) The fee for a special permit shall not exceed three hundred
2 dollars (\$300), and the renewal fee for a special permit shall not
3 exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

4 (f) The delinquency fee shall be the amount prescribed by
5 Section 163.5.

6 (g) The penalty for late registration of change of place of
7 practice shall not exceed seventy-five dollars (\$75).

8 (h) The application fee for permission to conduct an additional
9 place of practice shall not exceed two hundred dollars (\$200).

10 (i) The renewal fee for an additional place of practice shall not
11 exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

12 (j) The fee for issuance of a substitute certificate shall not exceed
13 one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125).

14 (k) The fee for a provider of continuing education shall not
15 exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) per year.

16 (l) The fee for application for a referral service permit and for
17 renewal of that permit shall not exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25).

18 (m) The fee for application for an extramural facility permit
19 and for the renewal of a permit shall not exceed twenty-five dollars
20 (\$25).

21 The board shall report to the appropriate fiscal committees of
22 each house of the Legislature whenever the board increases any
23 fee pursuant to this section and shall specify the rationale and
24 justification for that increase.

25 SEC. 2. Section 1944 of the Business and Professions Code is
26 amended to read:

27 1944. (a) The committee shall establish by resolution the
28 amount of the fees that relate to the licensing of a registered dental
29 hygienist, a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice, and
30 a registered dental hygienist in extended functions. The fees
31 established by board resolution in effect on June 30, 2009, as they
32 relate to the licensure of registered dental hygienists, registered
33 dental hygienists in alternative practice, and registered dental
34 hygienists in extended functions, shall remain in effect until
35 modified by the committee. The fees are subject to the following
36 limitations:

37 (1) The application fee for an original license and the fee for
38 the issuance of an original license shall not exceed two hundred
39 fifty dollars (\$250). The fee for the issuance of an original license
40 shall be prorated on a monthly basis. The committee may, however,

1 with respect to an original license that expires in less than 12
2 months, impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the reasonable
3 costs of issuing the original license if the committee makes a
4 determination in writing that the fee for the original license is
5 insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license and
6 that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs. The total
7 amount of the prorated original license fee and any additional fee
8 imposed by the committee pursuant to this paragraph for an original
9 license that expires in less than 12 months shall not exceed one
10 hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125).

11 (2) The fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental
12 hygienist shall not exceed the actual cost of the examination.

13 (3) For third- and fourth-year dental students, the fee for
14 examination for licensure as a registered dental hygienist shall not
15 exceed the actual cost of the examination.

16 (4) The fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental
17 hygienist in extended functions shall not exceed the actual cost of
18 the examination.

19 (5) The fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental
20 hygienist in alternative practice shall not exceed the actual cost of
21 administering the examination.

22 (6) The biennial renewal fee shall not exceed one hundred sixty
23 dollars (\$160).

24 (7) The delinquency fee shall not exceed one-half of the renewal
25 fee. Any delinquent license may be restored only upon payment
26 of all fees, including the delinquency fee, and compliance with all
27 other applicable requirements of this article.

28 (8) The fee for issuance of a duplicate license to replace one
29 that is lost or destroyed, or in the event of a name change, shall
30 not exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25) or one-half of the renewal
31 fee, whichever is greater.

32 (9) The fee for certification of licensure shall not exceed one-half
33 of the renewal fee.

34 (10) The fee for each curriculum review and site evaluation for
35 educational programs for dental hygienists who are not accredited
36 by a committee-approved agency shall not exceed two thousand
37 one hundred dollars (\$2,100).

38 (11) The fee for each review of courses required for licensure
39 that are not accredited by a committee-approved agency, the
40 ~~Council Bureau for Private Postsecondary and Vocational~~

1 Education *or its successor*, or the Chancellor's Office of the
2 California Community Colleges shall not exceed three hundred
3 dollars (\$300).

4 (12) The initial application and biennial fee for a provider of
5 continuing education shall not exceed five hundred dollars (\$500).

6 (13) The amount of fees payable in connection with permits
7 issued under Section 1962 is as follows:

8 (A) The initial permit fee is an amount equal to the renewal fee
9 for the applicant's license to practice dental hygiene in effect on
10 the last regular renewal date before the date on which the permit
11 is issued.

12 (B) If the permit will expire less than one year after its issuance,
13 then the initial permit fee is an amount equal to 50 percent of the
14 renewal fee in effect on the last regular renewal date before the
15 date on which the permit is issued.

16 (b) The renewal and delinquency fees shall be fixed by the
17 committee by resolution at not more than the current amount of
18 the renewal fee for a license to practice under this article nor less
19 than five dollars (\$5).

20 (c) Fees fixed by the committee by resolution pursuant to this
21 section shall not be subject to the approval of the Office of
22 Administrative Law.

23 (d) Fees collected pursuant to this section shall be collected by
24 the committee and deposited into the State Dental Hygiene Fund,
25 which is hereby created. All money in this fund shall, upon
26 appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act, be used
27 to implement the provisions of this article.

28 (e) No fees or charges other than those listed in this section shall
29 be levied by the committee in connection with the licensure of
30 registered dental hygienists, registered dental hygienists in
31 alternative practice, or registered dental hygienists in extended
32 functions.

33 (f) The fee for registration of an extramural dental facility shall
34 not exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

35 (g) The fee for registration of a mobile dental hygiene unit shall
36 not exceed one hundred fifty dollars (\$150).

37 (h) The biennial renewal fee for a mobile dental hygiene unit
38 shall not exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

39 (i) The fee for an additional office permit shall not exceed two
40 hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

1 (j) The biennial renewal fee for an additional office as described
2 in Section 1926.4 shall not exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

3 (k) The initial application and biennial special permit fee is an
4 amount equal to the biennial renewal fee specified in paragraph
5 (6) of subdivision (a).

6 (l) The fees in this section shall not exceed an amount sufficient
7 to cover the reasonable regulatory cost of carrying out the
8 provisions of this article.

9 SEC. 3. Section 2435 of the Business and Professions Code is
10 amended to read:

11 2435. The following fees apply to the licensure of physicians
12 and surgeons:

13 (a) Each applicant for a certificate based upon a national board
14 diplomate certificate, each applicant for a certificate based on
15 reciprocity, and each applicant for a certificate based upon written
16 examination, shall pay a nonrefundable application and processing
17 fee, as set forth in subdivision (b), at the time the application is
18 filed.

19 (b) The application and processing fee shall be fixed by the
20 board by May 1 of each year, to become effective on July 1 of that
21 year. The fee shall be fixed at an amount necessary to recover the
22 actual costs of the licensing program as projected for the fiscal
23 year commencing on the date the fees become effective.

24 (c) Each applicant who qualifies for a certificate, as a condition
25 precedent to its issuance, in addition to other fees required herein,
26 shall pay an initial license fee, if any, in an amount fixed by the
27 board consistent with this section. The initial license fee shall not
28 exceed seven hundred ninety dollars (\$790). The initial license fee
29 shall be prorated on a monthly basis. The board may, however,
30 with respect to an initial license that expires in less than 12 months,
31 impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the reasonable costs
32 of issuing the license if the board makes a determination in writing
33 that the fee for the initial license is insufficient to cover the
34 reasonable costs of issuing the license and that the additional fee
35 is necessary to cover those costs. The total amount of the prorated
36 initial license fee and any additional fee imposed by the board
37 pursuant to this subdivision for an initial license that expires in
38 less than 12 months shall not exceed three hundred ninety-five
39 dollars (\$395). An applicant enrolled in an approved postgraduate

1 training program shall be required to pay only 50 percent of the
2 initial license fee.

3 (d) The biennial renewal fee shall be fixed by the board
4 consistent with this section and shall not exceed seven hundred
5 ninety dollars (\$790).

6 (e) Notwithstanding subdivisions (c) and (d), and to ensure that
7 subdivision (k) of Section 125.3 is revenue neutral with regard to
8 the board, the board may, by regulation, increase the amount of
9 the initial license fee and the biennial renewal fee by an amount
10 required to recover both of the following:

11 (1) The average amount received by the board during the three
12 fiscal years immediately preceding July 1, 2006, as reimbursement
13 for the reasonable costs of investigation and enforcement
14 proceedings pursuant to Section 125.3.

15 (2) Any increase in the amount of investigation and enforcement
16 costs incurred by the board after January 1, 2006, that exceeds the
17 average costs expended for investigation and enforcement costs
18 during the three fiscal years immediately preceding July 1, 2006.
19 When calculating the amount of costs for services for which the
20 board paid an hourly rate, the board shall use the average number
21 of hours for which the board paid for those costs over these prior
22 three fiscal years, multiplied by the hourly rate paid by the board
23 for those costs as of July 1, 2005. Beginning January 1, 2009, the
24 board shall instead use the average number of hours for which it
25 paid for those costs over the three-year period of fiscal years
26 2005–06, 2006–07, and 2007–08, multiplied by the hourly rate
27 paid by the board for those costs as of July 1, 2005. In calculating
28 the increase in the amount of investigation and enforcement costs,
29 the board shall include only those costs for which it was eligible
30 to obtain reimbursement under Section 125.3 and shall not include
31 probation monitoring costs and disciplinary costs, including those
32 associated with the citation and fine process and those required to
33 implement subdivision (b) of Section 12529 of the Government
34 Code.

35 (f) Notwithstanding Section 163.5, the delinquency fee shall be
36 10 percent of the biennial renewal fee.

37 (g) The duplicate certificate and endorsement fees shall each
38 be fifty dollars (\$50), and the certification and letter of good
39 standing fees shall each be ten dollars (\$10).

1 (h) It is the intent of the Legislature that, in setting fees pursuant
2 to this section, the board shall seek to maintain a reserve in the
3 Contingent Fund of the Medical Board of California in an amount
4 not less than two nor more than four months' operating
5 expenditures.

6 (i) Not later than January 1, 2012, the Office of State Audits
7 and Evaluations within the Department of Finance shall commence
8 a preliminary review of the board's financial status, including, but
9 not limited to, its projections related to expenses, revenues, and
10 reserves, and the impact of the loan from the Contingent Fund of
11 the Medical Board of California to the General Fund made pursuant
12 to the Budget Act of 2008. The office shall make the results of this
13 review available upon request by June 1, 2012. This review shall
14 be funded from the existing resources of the office during the
15 2011–12 fiscal year.

16 SEC. 4. Section 2538.57 of the Business and Professions Code
17 is amended to read:

18 2538.57. The amount of fees and penalties prescribed by this
19 article shall be those set forth in this section unless a lower fee is
20 fixed by the board:

21 (a) The fee for applicants applying for the first time for a license
22 is seventy-five dollars (\$75), which shall not be refunded, except
23 to applicants who are found to be ineligible to take an examination
24 for a license. Those applicants are entitled to a refund of fifty
25 dollars (\$50).

26 (b) The fees for taking or retaking the written and practical
27 examinations shall be amounts fixed by the board, which shall be
28 equal to the actual cost of preparing, grading, analyzing, and
29 administering the examinations.

30 (c) The initial temporary license fee is one hundred dollars
31 (\$100). The fee for an initial temporary license shall be prorated
32 on a monthly basis. The board may, however, with respect to an
33 initial temporary license that expires in less than 12 months, impose
34 an additional fee sufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing
35 the initial temporary license if the board makes a determination in
36 writing that the fee for the initial temporary license is insufficient
37 to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license and that the
38 additional fee is necessary to cover those costs. The total amount
39 of the prorated initial temporary license fee and any additional fee
40 imposed by the board pursuant to this subdivision for an initial

1 temporary license that expires in less than 12 months shall not
2 exceed fifty dollars (\$50). The fee for renewal of a temporary
3 license is one hundred dollars (\$100) for each renewal.

4 (d) The initial permanent license fee is two hundred eighty
5 dollars (\$280). The fee for an initial permanent license shall be
6 prorated on a monthly basis. The board may, however, with respect
7 to an initial permanent license that expires in less than 12 months,
8 impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the reasonable costs
9 of issuing the initial permanent license if the board makes a
10 determination in writing that the fee for the initial permanent
11 license is insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the
12 license and that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs.
13 The total amount of the prorated initial permanent license fee and
14 any additional fee imposed by the board pursuant to this
15 subdivision for an initial permanent license that expires in less
16 than 12 months shall not exceed one hundred forty dollars (\$140).
17 The fee for renewal of a permanent license is not more than two
18 hundred eighty dollars (\$280) for each renewal.

19 (e) The initial branch office license fee is twenty-five dollars
20 (\$25). The fee for renewal of a branch office license is twenty-five
21 dollars (\$25) for each renewal.

22 (f) The delinquency fee is twenty-five dollars (\$25).

23 (g) The fee for issuance of a replacement license is twenty-five
24 dollars (\$25).

25 (h) The continuing education course approval application fee
26 is fifty dollars (\$50).

27 (i) The fee for official certification of licensure is fifteen dollars
28 (\$15).

29 SEC. 5. Section 2570.16 of the Business and Professions Code
30 is amended to read:

31 2570.16. Initial license and renewal fees shall be established
32 by the board in an amount that does not exceed one hundred fifty
33 dollars (\$150) per year. The initial license fee shall be prorated on
34 a monthly basis. The board may, however, with respect to an initial
35 license that expires in less than 12 months, impose an additional
36 fee sufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the initial
37 license if the board makes a determination in writing that the fee
38 for the initial license is insufficient to cover the reasonable costs
39 of issuing the initial license and that the additional fee is necessary
40 to cover those costs. The total amount of the prorated initial license

1 fee and any additional fee imposed by the board pursuant to this
2 section, excluding the fees described in subdivisions (a) to (d),
3 inclusive, for an initial license that expires in less than 12 months
4 shall not exceed seventy-five dollars (\$75). The board shall
5 establish the following additional fees:

- 6 (a) An application fee not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50).
- 7 (b) A late renewal fee as provided for in Section 2570.10.
- 8 (c) A limited permit fee.
- 9 (d) A fee to collect fingerprints for criminal history record
10 checks.

11 SEC. 6. Section 2688 of the Business and Professions Code is
12 amended to read:

13 2688. The amount of fees assessed in connection with licenses
14 issued under this chapter is as follows:

15 (a) (1) The fee for an application for licensure as a physical
16 therapist submitted to the board prior to March 1, 2009, shall be
17 seventy-five dollars (\$75). The fee for an application submitted
18 under Section 2653 to the board prior to March 1, 2009, shall be
19 one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125).

20 (2) The fee for an application for licensure as a physical therapist
21 submitted to the board on or after March 1, 2009, shall be one
22 hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125). The fee for an application
23 submitted under Section 2653 to the board on or after March 1,
24 2009, shall be two hundred dollars (\$200).

25 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may
26 decrease or increase the amount of an application fee under this
27 subdivision to an amount that does not exceed the cost of
28 administering the application process, but in no event shall the
29 application fee amount exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

30 (b) The examination and reexamination fees for the physical
31 therapist examination, physical therapist assistant examination,
32 and the examination to demonstrate knowledge of the California
33 rules and regulations related to the practice of physical therapy
34 shall be the actual cost to the board of the development and writing
35 of, or purchase of, the examination, and grading of each written
36 examination, plus the actual cost of administering each
37 examination. The board, at its discretion, may require the licensure
38 applicant to pay the fee for the examinations required by Section
39 2636 directly to the organization conducting the examination.

1 (c) (1) The fee for a physical therapist license issued prior to
2 March 1, 2009, shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75).

3 (2) The fee for a physical therapist license issued on or after
4 March 1, 2009, shall be one hundred dollars (\$100).

5 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may
6 decrease or increase the amount of the fee under this subdivision
7 to an amount that does not exceed the cost of administering the
8 process to issue the license, but in no event shall the fee to issue
9 the license exceed one hundred fifty dollars (\$150).

10 (4) The fee assessed pursuant to this subdivision for an initial
11 physical therapist license issued on or after January 1, 2015, shall
12 be prorated on a monthly basis. The board may, however, with
13 respect to an initial physical therapist license that expires in less
14 than 12 months, impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the
15 reasonable costs of issuing the license if the board makes a
16 determination in writing that the fee for the initial license is
17 insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license and
18 that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs. The total
19 amount of the prorated initial physical therapist license fee and
20 any additional fee imposed by the board pursuant to this paragraph
21 for an initial physical therapist license that expires in less than 12
22 months shall not exceed seventy-five dollars (\$75).

23 (d) (1) The fee to renew a physical therapist license that expires
24 prior to April 1, 2009, shall be one hundred fifty dollars (\$150).

25 (2) The fee to renew a physical therapist license that expires on
26 or after April 1, 2009, shall be two hundred dollars (\$200).

27 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may
28 decrease or increase the amount of the renewal fee under this
29 subdivision to an amount that does not exceed the cost of the
30 renewal process, but in no event shall the renewal fee amount
31 exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

32 (e) (1) The fee for application and for issuance of a physical
33 therapist assistant license shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75) for
34 an application submitted to the board prior to March 1, 2009.

35 (2) The fee for application and for issuance of a physical
36 therapist assistant license shall be one hundred twenty-five dollars
37 (\$125) for an application submitted to the board on or after March
38 1, 2009. The fee for an application submitted under Section 2653
39 to the board on or after March 1, 2009, shall be two hundred dollars
40 (\$200).

1 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may
2 decrease or increase the amount of the fee under this subdivision
3 to an amount that does not exceed the cost of administering the
4 application process, but in no event shall the application fee amount
5 exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

6 (f) (1) The fee to renew a physical therapist assistant license
7 that expires prior to April 1, 2009, shall be one hundred fifty dollars
8 (\$150).

9 (2) The fee to renew a physical therapist assistant license that
10 expires on or after April 1, 2009, shall be two hundred dollars
11 (\$200).

12 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may
13 decrease or increase the amount of the renewal fee under this
14 subdivision to an amount that does not exceed the cost of the
15 renewal process, but in no event shall the renewal fee amount
16 exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

17 (g) Notwithstanding Section 163.5, the delinquency fee shall
18 be 50 percent of the renewal fee in effect.

19 (h) (1) The duplicate wall certificate fee shall be fifty dollars
20 (\$50). The duplicate renewal receipt fee amount shall be fifty
21 dollars (\$50).

22 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the board may decrease or
23 increase the amount of the fee under this subdivision to an amount
24 that does not exceed the cost of issuing duplicates, but in no event
25 shall that fee exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

26 (i) (1) The endorsement or letter of good standing fee shall be
27 sixty dollars (\$60).

28 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the board may decrease or
29 increase the amount of the fee under this subdivision to an amount
30 that does not exceed the cost of issuing an endorsement or letter,
31 but in no event shall the fee amount exceed one hundred dollars
32 (\$100).

33 SEC. 7. Section 2987 of the Business and Professions Code is
34 amended to read:

35 2987. The amount of the fees prescribed by this chapter shall
36 be determined by the board, and shall be as follows:

37 (a) The application fee for a psychologist shall not be more than
38 fifty dollars (\$50).

39 (b) The examination and reexamination fees for the
40 examinations shall be the actual cost to the board of developing,

1 purchasing, and grading of each examination, plus the actual cost
2 to the board of administering each examination.

3 (c) The initial license fee is an amount equal to the renewal fee
4 in effect on the last regular renewal date before the date on which
5 the license is issued. The initial license fee shall be prorated on a
6 monthly basis. The board may, however, with respect to an initial
7 license that expires in less than 12 months, impose an additional
8 fee sufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license
9 if the board makes a determination in writing that the fee for the
10 initial license is insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing
11 the license and that the additional fee is necessary to cover those
12 costs. The total amount of the prorated initial license fee and any
13 additional fee imposed by the board pursuant to this subdivision
14 for an initial license that expires in less than 12 months shall not
15 exceed one-half of the initial ~~license~~ *license* fee.

16 (d) The biennial renewal fee for a psychologist shall be four
17 hundred dollars (\$400). The board may increase the renewal fee
18 to an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500).

19 (e) The application fee for registration and supervision of a
20 psychological assistant by a supervisor under Section 2913, which
21 is payable by that supervisor, shall not be more than seventy-five
22 dollars (\$75).

23 (f) The annual renewal fee for registration of a psychological
24 assistant shall not be more than seventy-five dollars (\$75).

25 (g) The duplicate license or registration fee is five dollars (\$5).

26 (h) The delinquency fee is twenty-five dollars (\$25).

27 (i) The endorsement fee is five dollars (\$5).

28 Notwithstanding any other law, the board may reduce any fee
29 prescribed by this section, when, in its discretion, the board deems
30 it administratively appropriate.

31 SEC. 8. Section 4842.5 of the Business and Professions Code
32 is amended to read:

33 4842.5. The amount of fees prescribed by this article is that
34 fixed by the following schedule:

35 (a) The fee for filing an application for examination shall be set
36 by the board in an amount it determines is reasonably necessary
37 to provide sufficient funds to carry out the purposes of this chapter,
38 not to exceed three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).

39 (b) The fee for the California registered veterinary technician
40 examination shall be set by the board in an amount it determines

1 is reasonably necessary to provide sufficient funds to carry out the
2 purposes of this chapter, not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

3 (c) The initial registration fee shall be set by the board at not
4 more than three hundred fifty dollars (\$350) and shall be prorated
5 on a monthly basis. The board may, however, with respect to an
6 initial registration that expires in less than 12 months, impose an
7 additional fee sufficient to cover the reasonable costs of registration
8 if the board makes a determination in writing that the fee for the
9 initial registration is insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of
10 registration and that the additional fee is necessary to cover those
11 costs. The total amount of the prorated initial registration fee and
12 any additional fee imposed by the board pursuant to this
13 subdivision for an initial registration that expires in less than 12
14 months shall not exceed one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175).
15 The board may adopt regulations to provide for the waiver or
16 refund of the initial registration fee when the registration is issued
17 less than 45 days before the date on which it will expire.

18 (d) The biennial renewal fee shall be set by the board at not
19 more than three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).

20 (e) The delinquency fee shall be set by the board at not more
21 than fifty dollars (\$50).

22 (f) Any charge made for duplication or other services shall be
23 set at the cost of rendering the services.

24 (g) The fee for filing an application for approval of a school or
25 institution offering a curriculum for training registered veterinary
26 technicians pursuant to Section 4843 shall be set by the board at
27 an amount not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300). The school
28 or institution shall also pay for the actual costs of an onsite
29 inspection conducted by the board pursuant to Section 2065.6 of
30 Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, including, but not
31 limited to, the travel, food, and lodging expenses incurred by an
32 inspection team sent by the board.

33 (h) The fee for failure to report a change in the mailing address
34 is twenty-five dollars (\$25).

35 SEC. 9. Section 4905 of the Business and Professions Code is
36 amended to read:

37 4905. The following fees shall be collected by the board and
38 shall be credited to the Veterinary Medical Board Contingent Fund:

39 (a) The fee for filing an application for examination shall be set
40 by the board in an amount it determines is reasonably necessary

1 to provide sufficient funds to carry out the purpose of this chapter,
2 not to exceed three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).

3 (b) The fee for the California state board examination shall be
4 set by the board in an amount it determines is reasonably necessary
5 to provide sufficient funds to carry out the purpose of this chapter,
6 not to exceed three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).

7 (c) The fee for the Veterinary Medicine Practice Act
8 examination shall be set by the board in an amount it determines
9 reasonably necessary to provide sufficient funds to carry out the
10 purpose of this chapter, not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

11 (d) The initial license fee shall be set by the board not to exceed
12 five hundred dollars (\$500) and shall be prorated on a monthly
13 basis. The board may, however, with respect to an initial license
14 that expires in less than 12 months, impose an additional fee
15 sufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license if the
16 board makes a determination in writing that the fee for the initial
17 license is insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the
18 license and that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs.
19 The total amount of the prorated initial license fee and any
20 additional fee imposed by the board pursuant to this subdivision
21 for an initial license that expires in less than 12 months shall not
22 exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250). The board may, by
23 appropriate regulation, provide for the waiver or refund of the
24 initial license fee when the license is issued less than 45 days before
25 the date on which it will expire.

26 (e) The renewal fee shall be set by the board for each biennial
27 renewal period in an amount it determines is reasonably necessary
28 to provide sufficient funds to carry out the purpose of this chapter,
29 not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500).

30 (f) The temporary license fee shall be set by the board in an
31 amount it determines is reasonably necessary to provide sufficient
32 funds to carry out the purpose of this chapter, not to exceed two
33 hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

34 (g) The delinquency fee shall be set by the board, not to exceed
35 fifty dollars (\$50).

36 (h) The fee for issuance of a duplicate license is twenty-five
37 dollars (\$25).

38 (i) Any charge made for duplication or other services shall be
39 set at the cost of rendering the service, except as specified in
40 subdivision (h).

1 (j) The fee for failure to report a change in the mailing address
2 is twenty-five dollars (\$25).

3 (k) The initial and annual renewal fees for registration of
4 veterinary premises shall be set by the board in an amount not to
5 exceed four hundred dollars (\$400) annually.

6 (l) If the money transferred from the Veterinary Medical Board
7 Contingent Fund to the General Fund pursuant to the Budget Act
8 of 1991 is redeposited into the Veterinary Medical Board
9 Contingent Fund, the fees assessed by the board shall be reduced
10 correspondingly. However, the reduction shall not be so great as
11 to cause the Veterinary Medical Board Contingent Fund to have
12 a reserve of less than three months of annual authorized board
13 expenditures. The fees set by the board shall not result in a
14 Veterinary Medical Board Contingent Fund reserve of more than
15 10 months of annual authorized board expenditures.

16 SEC. 10. Section 4970 of the Business and Professions Code
17 is amended to read:

18 4970. The amount of fees prescribed for licensed acupuncturists
19 shall be those set forth in this section unless a lower fee is fixed
20 by the board in accordance with Section 4972:

21 (a) The application fee shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75).

22 (b) The examination and reexamination fees shall be the actual
23 cost to the Acupuncture Board for the development and writing of
24 of, grading, and administering of each examination.

25 (c) The initial license fee shall be three hundred twenty-five
26 dollars (\$325) and shall be prorated on a monthly basis. The board
27 may, however, with respect to an initial license that expires in less
28 than 12 months, impose an additional fee sufficient to cover the
29 reasonable costs of issuing the license if the board makes a
30 determination in writing that the fee for the initial license is
31 insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license and
32 that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs. The total
33 amount of the prorated initial license fee and any additional fee
34 imposed by the board pursuant to this subdivision for an initial
35 license that expires in less than 12 months shall not exceed one
36 hundred sixty-two dollars and fifty cents (\$162.50).

37 (d) The renewal fee shall be three hundred twenty-five dollars
38 (\$325) and in the event a lower fee is fixed by the board, shall be
39 an amount sufficient to support the functions of the board in the
40 administration of this chapter. The renewal fee shall be assessed

1 on an annual basis until January 1, 1996, and on and after that date
2 the board shall assess the renewal fee biennially.

3 (e) The delinquency fee shall be set in accordance with Section
4 163.5.

5 (f) The application fee for the approval of a school or college
6 under Section 4939 shall be three thousand dollars (\$3,000).

7 (g) The duplicate wall license fee is an amount equal to the cost
8 to the board for the issuance of the duplicate license.

9 (h) The duplicate renewal receipt fee is ten dollars (\$10).

10 (i) The endorsement fee is ten dollars (\$10).

11 (j) The fee for a duplicate license for an additional office
12 location as required under Section 4961 shall be fifteen dollars
13 (\$15).

14 SEC. 11. Section 5604 of the Business and Professions Code
15 is amended to read:

16 5604. The fees prescribed by this chapter for architect
17 applicants or architect licenseholders shall be fixed by the board
18 as follows:

19 (a) The application fee for reviewing a candidate's eligibility
20 to take any section of the examination may not exceed one hundred
21 dollars (\$100).

22 (b) The fee for any section of the examination administered by
23 the board may not exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

24 (c) The fee for an original license at an amount equal to the
25 renewal fee in effect at the time the license is issued. The fee for
26 an original license shall be prorated on a monthly basis. The board
27 may, however, with respect to an original license that expires in
28 less than 12 months, impose an additional fee sufficient to cover
29 the reasonable costs of issuing the license if the board makes a
30 determination in writing that the fee for the original license is
31 insufficient to cover the reasonable costs of issuing the license and
32 that the additional fee is necessary to cover those costs. The total
33 amount of the prorated original license fee and any additional fee
34 imposed by the board pursuant to this subdivision for an original
35 license that expires in less than 12 months shall not exceed one-half
36 of the original ~~license~~ *license* fee. The board may, by appropriate
37 regulation, provide for the waiver or refund of the fee for an
38 original license if the license is issued less than 45 days before the
39 date on which it will expire.

- 1 (d) The fee for an application for reciprocity may not exceed
- 2 one hundred dollars (\$100).
- 3 (e) The fee for a duplicate license may not exceed twenty-five
- 4 dollars (\$25).
- 5 (f) The renewal fee may not exceed four hundred dollars (\$400).
- 6 (g) The delinquency fee may not exceed 50 percent of the
- 7 renewal fee.
- 8 (h) The fee for a retired license may not exceed the fee
- 9 prescribed in subdivision (c).