

## Senate Bill No. 469

### CHAPTER 302

An act to amend Sections 1247, 1247.5, and 1247.6 of, and to repeal Section 1247.1 of, the Business and Professions Code, relating to clinical laboratory technology.

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#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 469, Kelley. Clinical laboratory technology: hemodialysis.

Existing law establishes the Hemodialysis Technician Training Act of 1987, to be administered by the State Department of Health Services, and requires every hemodialysis clinic or unit within a licensed clinic or hospital, as defined, to adopt a hemodialysis training program and competency test and requires every hemodialysis technician to complete the program and pass the test. Existing law provides that a hemodialysis clinic or unit and a hemodialysis technician may fulfill these requirements by meeting one of certain other prescribed criteria.

This bill would revise these provisions to authorize, instead of require, a hemodialysis clinic or unit to operate a hemodialysis training and testing program, and would delete the requirement that every hemodialysis technician complete the program. The bill would also provide that the requirement that a person providing services as a hemodialysis technician meet one of certain prescribed criteria would not apply while a person is being trained under immediate supervision.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1247 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

1247. This article shall be known and may be cited as the Hemodialysis Technician Training Act.

SEC. 2. Section 1247.1 of the Business and Professions Code is repealed.

SEC. 3. Section 1247.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

1247.5. A hemodialysis clinic or unit within a licensed clinic or hospital, as defined respectively in Sections 1204 and 1250 of the Health and Safety Code, may operate a hemodialysis training and testing program. A hemodialysis technician training program and competency test, provided under this section, shall be approved by



the department, shall comply with the regulations adopted pursuant to Section 1247.4, and shall include training and testing in the administration of local anesthetics, heparin, and sodium chloride solutions.

SEC. 4. Section 1247.6 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

1247.6. (a) Except during training under immediate supervision, no person shall provide services as a hemodialysis technician without meeting one or more of the following requirements:

(1) Certification by the department as having been certified by the Board of Nephrology Examination for Nurses and Technicians (BONENT).

(2) Certification by the department as having completed a department-approved training and testing program in a hemodialysis clinic or unit.

(3) Certification by the department as being graduates of a local training and testing program operated by an accredited college or accredited university. As used in this article, accredited has the same meaning as defined in subdivision (g) of Section 94302 of the Education Code.

(4) Are certified by the department as hemodialysis technicians on or before the effective date of regulations adopted pursuant to Section 1247.4.

(b) This article does not apply to home dialysis patients, or patient helpers not employed by the licensed facility, who have undergone a home dialysis training program operated by a licensed clinic or hospital as defined in Sections 1204 and 1250 of the Health and Safety Code and have been certified by the medical director of the facility as being competent to perform home dialysis treatment.

