

HOUSE BILL No. 2746

By Committee on Health and Human Services

Requested by Representative S. Ruiz

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1 AN ACT concerning health and healthcare; relating to healthcare
2 professions; updating requirements for receiving and renewing a
3 license under the dietitians licensing act; amending K.S.A. 65-5906 and
4 65-5909 and repealing the existing sections.

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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1. K.S.A. 65-5906 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-
8 5906. (a) *On and after July 1, 2024*, no person shall be granted a license as
9 a dietitian unless such person has:

- 10 (1) Filed an application and paid the required application fee;
- 11 (2) received *at least a graduate degree. A person who has received a*
12 *baccalaureate or post-baccalaureate degree with a major course of study in*
13 *human nutrition, food and nutrition, dietetics or food service management*
14 *approved by the secretary*~~as meeting prior to July 1, 2024, shall be~~
15 *deemed to have met* the standards for approval of such course of study
16 under this act;
- 17 (3) completed a planned, continuous program of dietetic experience
18 approved by the secretary of not less than ~~900~~ *1,000* clock hours under the
19 supervision of a licensed dietitian; and
- 20 (4) passed an examination approved by the secretary.
- 21 (b) Licenses shall be issued for a period of two years.

22 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 65-5909 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-
23 5909. (a) Licenses may be renewed upon payment of the required renewal
24 fee and successful completion of not more than 15 hours of continuing
25 education during the licensure period as specified by the secretary by rules
26 and regulations.

27 (b) At least 30 days before the expiration of the license, the secretary
28 shall notify the licensee of ~~the such~~ expiration ~~by mail addressed to the~~
29 ~~licensee's last place of residence as noted upon the office records. If the~~
30 ~~licensee fails to submit an application and fee by the date of expiration of~~
31 ~~the license, the licensee shall be given a second notice that license is not~~
32 *renewed within the 30-day period prior to expiration, the license* ~~has~~ *shall*
33 *be considered* expired, and the license may only be renewed if the
34 application, renewal fee and late renewal fee are received by the secretary
35 within the ~~thirty-day~~ *30-day* period following the date of expiration, and; if

1 the application and both fees are not received within the ~~thirty-day~~ 30-day
2 period, the license shall be considered to have lapsed for failure to renew
3 and ~~shall~~ be reissued only after the applicant has been reinstated under
4 subsection (c).

5 (c) Any licensee who allows the licensee's license to lapse by failing
6 to renew as ~~herein~~ provided *in subsection (b)* may be reinstated upon
7 payment of the renewal fee and the reinstatement fee and upon submitting
8 evidence of satisfactory completion of any applicable continuing education
9 requirements established by the secretary for reinstatement of persons
10 whose licenses have lapsed for failure to renew. The secretary shall adopt
11 rules and regulations establishing appropriate continuing education
12 requirements for reinstatement of persons whose licenses have lapsed for
13 failure to renew.

14 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 65-5906 and 65-5909 are hereby repealed.

15 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
16 publication in the statute book.