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CHAPTER 262 PUBLIC LAW

STATE OF MAINE

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An Act Regarding Licensing Boards

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

PART A

Sec. A-1. 32 MRSA §502, first ¶, as amended by PL 1999, c. 214, §3, is further amended to read:

The board shall meet at least twice each year at such times and places as its chair may designate to consider applications, examine applicants and consider such other business as may properly come before the board. At its first meeting in each calendar year, the board shall elect one of its members as chair for a term of one year and one of its members as secretary to hold office at the pleasure of the board. Special meetings may be called at the pleasure of the chair and, in case of the death or inability of the chair, the secretary may call special meetings. The board shall keep correct records of all proceedings. The chair and secretary are empowered to administer oaths in matters connected with the duties of the board. The records, or duplicates of the records, must be open to inspection and are prima facie evidence of all matters recorded in the records. Four members of the board constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a license to practice chiropractic may not be granted except on an affirmative vote of at least 4 members of the board. The board has the power to make and adopt rules and a code of ethics consistent with law necessary for the enforcement of its authority, the performance of its duties and

the governing of the practice of chiropractic, but a rule or code of ethics may not be made that is unreasonable or contravenes this chapter. The board shall adopt rules, which are routine technical rules pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter ~~II~~-A 2-A, authorizing and governing the use of chiropractic acupuncture by certified licensees. The rules must set forth the requirements for chiropractic acupuncture certification, which must include, but are not limited to, a minimum number of classroom hours of education in acupuncture theory and techniques; a component of supervised clinical acupuncture training or documented clinical acupuncture experience for licensees practicing chiropractic acupuncture prior to April 30, 1999; and instruction in exposure control for blood-borne pathogens and registration as a biomedical waste generator pursuant to Title 38, section 1319-O, subsection 3. Licensees who can prove to the satisfaction of the board that they were engaged in the practice of chiropractic acupuncture prior to April 30, 1999 may continue to practice chiropractic acupuncture but must comply with all of the certification requirements set forth in board rules within 2 years from the adoption of the rules. A person applying for a chiropractic acupuncture certificate shall file an application together with the required fee as set under section 558. In establishing the rules and code of ethics, the board must, in addition to the standards set forth in this chapter, be guided by the following standards setting forth conduct ~~deemed~~ considered unprofessional:

Sec. A-2. 32 MRSA §506, as amended by PL 1995, c. 397, §27, is repealed.

Sec. A-3. 32 MRSA §551, as amended by PL 1993, c. 600, Pt. A, §48, is further amended to read:

§551. Examination and licensure

An individual, before engaging in the practice of chiropractic in this State, shall ~~make~~ submit an application for a license to practice chiropractic ~~to the board on a form prescribed by the board~~ together with the required license fee as set under section 558. ~~The application must be filed with the clerk of the board at least 30 days before the date of examination, together with an application and examination fee. The application fee is not refundable if an application is denied.~~ Each applicant must be at least 18 years of age and present proof of 2 years' satisfactory attendance at a college of liberal arts. A candidate for licensure shall present a transcript from an accredited college or university certifying that the candidate has completed 2 years of preprofessional work, 2 subjects of which must be English and biology, or otherwise satisfy the members of the board that the candidate has acquired

sufficient prior academic education. The applicant shall present a diploma granted by a legally chartered chiropractic college, school or university in good standing and having the power to confer degrees in chiropractic, which diploma must show that it was granted on personal attendance of the applicant and completion of a course of 4 school years of not less than 8 months each and of a total of 4,400 60-minute school hours. If an applicant matriculated in a chiropractic college on or after January 1, 1984, the diploma must show that it was granted by a chiropractic college accredited by a chiropractic educational accrediting agency approved by the United States Department of Education or its successor agency or, if no accrediting agency exists, approved by the board, or the applicant must have evidence of having successfully passed a licensing procedure from another state having similar requirements. If an applicant matriculated in a chiropractic college before January 1, 1984, the diploma must show that it was granted by a chiropractic college accredited as set out in this section, or the applicant must present evidence of having become a diplomat of the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners or of having successfully passed a licensing procedure from another state having similar requirements. Each applicant ~~must~~ shall present a certificate of good moral character signed by a reputable individual and any other reasonable and proper facts the board may require in its application form.

Sec. A-4. 32 MRSA §552, as amended by PL 1993, c. 600, Pt. A, §49, is further amended to read:

§552. Examination of applicants; subjects included; license; endorsement

The ~~board~~ applicant shall ~~require the applicant to~~ submit ~~to~~ an application for examination ~~that demonstrates qualifications for the practice of chiropractic~~ together with the required examination fee as set under section 558. The examination must include the subjects of anatomy, physiology, symptomatology, hygiene, sanitation, chemistry, pathology, electrotherapy, hydrotherapy, dietetics, bacteriology, chiropractic analysis, the principles and practice of chiropractic as taught in reputable chiropractic schools and colleges and any other subjects the board determines necessary. If the examination is passed in a manner satisfactory to the board, the board shall issue, upon payment of the required license fee as set under section 558, to the applicant a license granting that individual the right to practice chiropractic in this State.

~~An individual licensed by a chiropractic board of any other state or territory having a standard equal to that of this State may be licensed without examination upon the payment of a fee of~~

~~$225--and--submission--of--a--chiropractic--diploma--and--proof--of licensure-in-that-other-state.--The-board-may,--in-its-discretion, require-an-examination-of-the-applicant.~~

The board may waive the examination requirements and grant a license to any applicant who presents proof of being licensed to practice in another jurisdiction of the United States or another country whose licensing requirements are considered by the board to be substantially equivalent to or higher than those set forth in this chapter, if no cause exists for denial of a license under section 503-A. The applicant shall pay the required license fee as set under section 558.

Sec. A-5. 32 MRSA §553-A, as amended by PL 1999, c. 386, Pt. E, §1, is further amended to read:

§553-A. Licenses renewal procedure; continuing education

1. **Renewal procedure.** ~~The--board--shall--notify--every licensed-chiropractor-of-the-expiration-date-of-the-chiropractic license-and-indicate-the-amount-of-the-fee-required-for-biennial renewal.--Notice-must-be-mailed-to-each-licensee's-last-known address--at--least--30--days--before--the--expiration--date--of--that license.~~ A license expires on the date set by the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Title 10, section 8003, subsection 4 for the licensing period for which the license was issued. A renewal license must be issued for each ensuing licensing period in the absence of any reason or condition that might warrant the refusal to grant a license, upon receipt by the board of the written request of the applicant and the required fee for the license as set under section 558 and upon the applicant's presenting evidence of compliance with the requirements of subsection 2. An expired license may be reissued up to 90 days after the date of expiration upon payment of a late fee ~~of-$10~~ as set under section 558 in addition to ~~the~~ a renewal fee as set under section 558. An individual who submits an application for renewal more than 90 days after the license expiration date is subject to all requirements governing new applicants under this chapter, including a renewal fee, late fee and filing fee as set under section 558, except that the board may, in its discretion and giving due consideration to the protection of the public, waive examination if that renewal application is made within 2 years from the date of that expiration. ~~The-board-may-assess-penalty-fees-for-late-renewals.~~

2. **Continuing education.** The board shall require applicants for license renewal to submit evidence of satisfactory completion of continuing education in accordance with rules adopted by the board.

~~3. Fees. Fees are established as follows:~~

~~A. For the application, an amount set by the board not to exceed $75;~~

~~B. For the examination, an amount set by the board not to exceed $75;~~

~~C. For the initial license, an amount set by the board but no more than $225; and~~

~~D. For the license renewal, biennially, an amount set by the board but no more than $225.~~

~~All fees received by the board must be paid to the Treasurer of State and used to carry out this chapter. Any balance of these fees may not lapse but must be carried forward as a continuing account to be expended for the same purposes in the following years.~~

4. Continuing education program approval. Each application for approval of a continuing education program or course must be submitted according to rules adopted by board, together with a required fee as set under section 558.

Sec. A-6. 32 MRSA §556. as amended by PL 1993, c. 600, Pt. A, §52, is further amended to read:

§556. Certificates

An individual may not render ancillary services under section 555 until that individual has ~~applied for and obtained~~ been approved and issued a certificate of qualification or a temporary certificate issued by the board, ~~which must be renewed biennially~~ either of which is renewable. The applicant must pay a required certification fee as set under section 558. The board shall adopt rules regarding the training and certification of individuals permitted to render ancillary services under section 555.

Sec. A-7. 32 MRSA §558, as amended by PL 1995, c. 502, Pt. H, §23, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§558. Fees

The Director of the Office of Licensing and Registration within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation may establish by rule fees for purposes authorized under this chapter in amounts that are reasonable and necessary for their respective purposes, except that the fee for any one purpose may

not exceed $300. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A. All fees received by the board must be paid to the Treasurer of State and used to carry out this chapter. Any balance of these fees may not lapse but must be carried forward as a continuing account to be expended for the same purposes in the following years.

PART B

Sec. B-1. 32 MRSA §13721, sub-§1, ¶H, as amended by PL 1997, c. 245, §7, is further amended to read:

H. The registration of pharmacy technicians, including the required fee as set under section 13724, and adoption of rules governing the training, qualification and employment of pharmacy technicians.

Sec. B-2. 32 MRSA §13723, sub-§5, as amended by PL 1997, c. 245, §§9 and 10, is repealed.

Sec. B-3. 32 MRSA §13724 is enacted to read:

§13724. Fees

The Director of the Office of Licensing and Registration within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation may establish by rule fees for purposes authorized under this chapter in amounts that are reasonable and necessary for their respective purposes, except that the fee for any one purpose may not exceed $325. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A. All fees received by the board must be paid to the Treasurer of State and used to carry out this chapter. Any balance of these fees may not lapse but must be carried forward as a continuing account to be expended for the same purposes in the following years.

Sec. B-4. 32 MRSA §13732, sub-§1, ¶¶A, E and F, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 710, §5, are amended to read:

A. Have submitted a written application in the form prescribed by the board together with the required examination and license fee as set under section 13724;

E. Have completed an internship or other program ~~which~~ that has been approved by the board or demonstrated, to the board's satisfaction, experience in the practice of pharmacy

~~which~~ that meets or exceeds the minimum internship requirement of the board; and

F. Have successfully passed an examination ~~given~~ approved by the board~~; and~~.

Sec. B-5. 32 MRSA §13732, sub-§1, ¶G, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 710, §5, is repealed.

Sec. B-6. 32 MRSA §13733, sub-§1, ¶¶A and F, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 710, §5, are amended to read:

A. Have submitted a written application in the form prescribed by the board together with the required fee as set under section 13724;

F. Have passed the state pharmacy law exam as administered by the board; and

Sec. B-7. 32 MRSA §13733, sub-§1, ¶G, as amended by PL 1999, c. 130, §7, is further amended to read:

G. Have presented to the board proof of initial licensure by examination and proof that the license and any other license or licenses granted to the applicant by any other state or states have not been suspended, revoked, canceled or otherwise restricted for any reason except nonrenewal or the failure to obtain required continuing education credits in any state where the applicant is licensed, but not engaged in the practice of pharmacy. If an otherwise qualified applicant for licensure by reciprocity has had a license suspended, revoked, cancelled or otherwise restricted for any reason, the board may assess the prior disciplinary event and in its discretion issue the license~~; and~~.

Sec. B-8. 32 MRSA §13733, sub-§1, ¶H, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 710, §5, is repealed.

Sec. B-9. 32 MRSA §13734, as amended by PL 1993, c. 600, Pt. A, §270, is further amended to read:

§13734. Renewal of licenses

1. Renewal. A ~~license shall expire annually on December 31st or on such other date as the commissioner may determine. Notice of expiration shall be mailed to each licensee's last known address at least 30 days in advance of the expiration of the license. The notice shall include any requests for information necessary for renewal.~~ A license expires on the date

set by the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Title 10, section 8003, subsection 4 for the licensing period for which the license was issued. A renewal license is issued for each ensuing licensing period in the absence of any reason or condition that might warrant the refusal to grant a license, upon receipt by the board of the written request of the applicant and the required fee for the license as set under section 13724 and upon the applicant's presenting evidence of compliance with the requirements of section 13735.

Licenses may be renewed up to 90 days after the date of expiration upon payment of a late fee ~~of $10~~ as set under section 13724 in addition to ~~the~~ a required renewal fee as set under section 13724. Any person who submits an application for renewal more than 90 days after the license renewal date ~~shall be~~ is subject to all requirements governing new applicants under this chapter, including a late fee, renewal fee and filing fee as set under section 13724, except that the board may, giving due consideration to the protection of the public, waive examination if that renewal application is made within 2 years from the date of that expiration.

2. Nonactive renewal registration. Every registered pharmacist not practicing pharmacy within this State shall pay ~~annually~~, on or before ~~December 31st or on another~~ the expiration date as determined by the commissioner, a renewal fee ~~to the secretary of the board~~ as set under section 13724, in return for which a nonactive renewal registration ~~shall~~ must be issued.

Every registered pharmacist holding a nonactive renewal registration who desires to practice pharmacy in this State ~~shall be~~ is required to submit proof satisfactory to the board that, during the calendar year preceding application for active registration, the pharmacist has participated in not less than 15 hours of approved courses of continuing professional pharmaceutical education as defined in section 13735. The board may make exceptions from the operation of the continuing education requirement of this section in emergency or hardship cases.

If any person fails or neglects to procure the annual nonactive renewal registration, notice of that failure having been mailed to that person's last known address by the board, after the expiration of 30 days following the issue of notice, that person's original registration ~~shall expire~~ expires. That person, in order to regain registration, ~~shall be~~ is required to pay one renewal fee as set under section 13724 in addition to the sum of all fees that person may be in arrears.

~~3. Fees. The board shall specify by rule the procedures to be followed, in addition to those specified by section 13715-A, and the fees to be paid for renewal of licenses.~~

Sec. B-10. 32 MRSA §13735, as amended by PL 1999, c. 130, §8, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

Each application for approval of a continuing education program or course must be submitted according to the guidelines prescribed by rule by the board, together with a required fee as set under section 13724.

Sec. B-11. 32 MRSA §13751, sub-§3-A, as amended by PL 1997, c. 117, §11, is further amended to read:

3-A. Mail order contact lens suppliers. In order to meet the board's minimum licensure requirements, a mail order contact lens supplier must:

A. Apply for a license ~~annually~~, if filling contact lens prescriptions by mail or carrier for a patient that resides in this State;

B. Pay ~~the~~ a license fee, ~~which may not exceed $200~~ as set under section 13724;

C. Provide the name and address of the owner, partners or corporation and its officers;

D. Fill only written contact lens prescriptions containing expiration dates that do not exceed 24 months from the date of issue;

E. Maintain a record of every contact lens prescription filled for a period of 5 years; and

F. Supply, upon request, all information needed by the board to ensure compliance with this subchapter.

The board may adopt rules establishing additional licensure requirements and disciplinary actions for violation of this subchapter and board rules. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined by Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter ~~II-A~~ 2-A.

Sec. B-12. 32 MRSA §13752, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 710, §5, is amended to read:

1. **Procedures.** The board shall specify by rule the registration procedures to be followed, including, but not limited to, specification of forms for use in applying for ~~certificates of~~ registration and the times, and places ~~and fees~~ for filing an application~~, provided that the annual fee for an original or renewal certificate does not exceed $200~~.

Sec. B-13. 32 MRSA §13752, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1999, c. 130, §11, is further amended to read:

2. **Required information.** Applications for certificates of registration must include the required fee as set under section 13724 and the following information about the proposed drug outlet and pharmacist in charge:

A. Ownership of the outlet;

B. Location of the outlet;

C. Identity of the pharmacist licensed to practice in the State who will be the pharmacist in charge of the drug outlet, when one is required by this chapter, and such further information as the board may determine necessary. A pharmacist may be the pharmacist in charge for only one drug outlet, except upon the pharmacist applying for and receiving written authorization from the board. The position of pharmacist in charge may not be held by a qualified assistant pharmacist; and

D. A certification by the pharmacist identified as the pharmacist in charge that the pharmacist has read and understands the requirements and duties of a pharmacist in charge set forth in board rules.

Sec. B-14. 32 MRSA §13752, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 710, §5, is amended to read:

4. **Professional responsibility.** The board shall specify by rule minimum standards for the professional responsibility in the conduct of any drug outlet that has employees or personnel engaged in the practice of pharmacy. The board may require that the portion of the facility to which the certificate of registration applies be operated only under the direct supervision of no less than one pharmacist licensed to practice in this State and not otherwise and to provide such other special requirements as necessary. A change in the pharmacist in charge who is responsible for the drug outlet must be reported to the board together with the required fee as set under section 13724.

Sec. B-15. 32 MRSA §13758, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 710, §5, is amended to read:

5. **Fees.** Each registrant shall pay a required fee ~~not to exceed $200~~ as set under section 13724.

Sec. B-16. 32 MRSA §13762, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1993, c. 716, §4, is further amended to read:

1. **License required.** A rural health center that desires to contract for pharmaceutical services with a pharmacy ~~must be licensed by the board and shall abide by the rules of the board~~ shall submit an application together with the required fee as set under section 13724. ~~These~~ The board may adopt rules ~~may be~~ that are no more restrictive than those regulating private pharmacy practice in the State. A rural health center is eligible for licensure under this subchapter if:

A. It serves a rural area without a pharmacy;

B. It is located in a community where available pharmacy services can not meet the documented need; or

C. It requires a license in order to receive pharmaceutical discounts authorized by the federal Veterans' Health Care Act of 1992, Title VI.

Sec. B-17. 32 MRSA §13762, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 710, §5, is amended to read:

2. **Renewal.** ~~Licenses shall expire annually on December 31st or on such other date as the commissioner determines. Notice of expiration shall be mailed to each licensee's last known address at least 30 days in advance of the expiration of the license. The notice shall include any requests for information necessary for renewal.~~ A license expires on the date set by the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Title 10, section 8003, subsection 4 for the licensing period for which the license was issued. A renewal license is issued for each ensuing licensing period in the absence of any reason or condition that might warrant the refusal to grant a license and upon receipt by the board of the written request of the applicant and the required fee for the license as set under section 13724.

Licenses may be renewed up to 90 days after the date of expiration upon payment of a late fee ~~of $10~~ in addition to ~~the renewal~~ a required fee, both of which are set under section 13724. Any person who submits an application for renewal more than 90 days after the license renewal date ~~shall be~~ is subject

to all requirements governing new applicants under this chapter, including a late fee, renewal fee and filing fee as set under section 13724.

Sec. B-18. 32 MRSA §13762, sub-§3, as amended by PL 1993, c. 716, §4, is further amended to read:

3. **Notice.** Any rural health center wishing to be licensed under this subchapter shall notify the board of its intent to establish a contract with a pharmacy for pharmaceutical services and shall apply for a license, submit floor plans of the physical plant and pay ~~the same~~ a required fee ~~required for a pharmacy under section 13723~~ as set under section 13724. The application must include the name, address and registration number of the provider of pharmaceutical services.

PART C

Sec. C-1. 32 MRSA §13906, 2nd ¶, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 346, §3, is amended to read:

The passing grade on any examination ~~shall~~ must be established by the board. ~~A candidate failing one examination may apply for reexamination, which may be granted upon payment of a fee established by the board.~~ The applicant shall pay the required examination fee as set under section 13910-A.

Sec. C-2. 32 MRSA §13907, first ¶, as amended by PL 1991, c. 509, §42, is further amended to read:

The board shall issue a license, upon payment of a ~~license~~ required fee ~~as provided in this chapter~~ as set under section 13910-A, to any applicant who, in the opinion of the board, has satisfactorily met the requirements of this chapter. The license authorizes the practice of land surveying.

Sec. C-3. 32 MRSA §13908, sub-§1. as enacted by PL 1989, c. 346, §3, is amended to read:

1. **License renewal.** ~~Licenses shall expire on the last day of December or such other time as the commissioner designates. The department shall mail renewal notices to all licensees at least one month in advance of the date of expiration.~~ A license expires on the date set by the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Title 10, section 8003, subsection 4 for the licensing period for which the license was issued. A renewal license is issued for each ensuing licensing period in the absence of any reason or condition that might warrant the refusal to grant a license, upon receipt by the board

of the written request of the applicant and the required fee for the license as set under section 13910-A and upon the applicant's presenting evidence of compliance with the requirements of section 13908, subsection 4.

Licenses may be renewed up to 90 days after the date of expiration upon payment of a late fee ~~of $10~~ as set under section 13910-A in addition to ~~the renewal~~ a required fee as set under section 13910-A. Any person who submits an application for renewal more than 90 days after the licensure renewal date ~~shall be~~ is subject to all requirements governing new applicants under this chapter, including a late fee, renewal fee and filing fee as set under section 13910-A, except that the board may waive examination, giving due consideration to the protection of the public.

Sec. C-4. 32 MRSA §13910, as amended by PL 1995, c. 397, §117, is repealed.

Sec. C-5. 32 MRSA §13910-A is enacted to read:

§13910-A. Fees

The Director of the Office of Licensing and Registration within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation may establish by rule fees for purposes authorized under this chapter in amounts that are reasonable and necessary for their respective purposes, except that the fee for any one purpose may not exceed $350. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

PART D

Sec. D-1. 32 MRSA §14012, sub-§7, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 185, §5, is repealed.

Sec. D-2. 32 MRSA §14012-A is enacted to read:

§14012-A. Fees

The Director of the Office of Licensing and Registration within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation may establish by rule fees for purposes authorized under this chapter in amounts that are reasonable and necessary for their respective purposes, except that the fee for any one purpose may not exceed $450. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

Sec. D-3. 32 MRSA §14021, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 185, §5, is amended to read:

1. Application. The applicant must submit a properly completed application on forms furnished by the board, together with ~~the prescribed~~ a required fee as set under section 14012-A.

Sec. D-4. 32 MRSA §14025, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 185, §5, is amended to read:

§14025. License renewal

~~Licenses expire biennially on December 31st or on such other date as the commissioner determines~~ A license expires on the date set by the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Title 10, section 8003, subsection 4 for the licensing period for which the license was issued. The board shall issue a renewal license for each ensuing ~~biennial~~ licensing period in the absence of any reason or condition that might warrant the refusal ~~of granting~~ to grant a license, upon receipt by the board of the written request of the applicant~~,~~ and the ~~biennial~~ required fee for the license as set under section 14012-A and upon the applicant presenting evidence of compliance with the requirements of section 14027. Licenses may be renewed up to 90 days after the date of expiration upon payment of a late fee, as ~~established by board rule~~ set under section 14012-A, in addition to ~~the~~ a required renewal fee as set under section 14012-A.

The board shall deny a renewal license to any applicant whose license has lapsed for more than 90 days, unless the applicant satisfies the provisions governing new applicants under this subchapter, except that the board may waive the education and examination requirements for new applicants, if the renewal application is received, together with a late fee, renewal fee and filing fee as set under section 14012-A, within 2 years from the date of that expiration.

Sec. D-5. 32 MRSA §14027, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 185, §5, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§14027. Continuing education

1. Requirement. As a prerequisite to renewal of a license, an applicant must have completed the minimum hour requirements for continuing education in programs or courses approved by the board and as set by the appraiser qualification board. For purposes of this section, the board may establish, by rule, a core educational requirement.

2. **Program approval.** Each application for approval of a continuing education program or courses must be submitted according to the rules adopted by the board together with a required fee as set under section 14012-A.

Sec. D-6. 32 MRSA §14030, sub-§2, ¶C, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 185, §5, is amended to read:

C. Pass an examination ~~administered~~ approved by the board designed to test an individual's knowledge of the basic principles of land economics, real estate appraising, the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice and the ethical rules to be observed by a real estate appraiser.

Sec. D-7. 32 MRSA §14031, sub-§2, ¶C, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 185, §5, is amended to read:

C. Pass an examination ~~administered~~ approved by the board designed to test an individual's knowledge of the basic principles of land economics, real estate appraising, the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice and the ethical rules to be observed by a real estate appraiser.

Sec. D-8. 32 MRSA §14032, sub-§2, ¶C, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 185, §5, is amended to read:

C. Pass an examination ~~administered~~ approved by the board designed to determine the fitness of the applicant to practice.