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AN ACT
AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7431, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS THE "RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY ACT OF 1992", AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES

This measure seeks to propose amendments to Republic Act No. 7431 entitled, "An Act Regulating the Practice of Radiologic Technology in the Philippines, Creating the Board of Radiologic Technology, Defining Its Powers and Functions and for Other Purposes", otherwise known as the "Radiologic Technology Act of 1992" was signed into law on April 22, 1992.

Specifically, it seeks to integrate the X-Ray Technology and Radiologic Technology Professions into one national organization as the accredited and integrated professional organization (AIPO) accredited by the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC).

Such move is geared towards the promotion of the integration of the x-ray technology and radiologic technology professions and ensure the development of the professional competence of x-ray technologists and radiologic technologists.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate passage of this bill is highly recommended.


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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

Section 1. Section 3 of RA No. 7431 entitled, "An Act Regulating the Practice of Radiologic Technology in the Philippines, Creating the Board of Radiologic Technology Defining Its Powers and Functions and for Other Purposes" is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 3. Definition of Terms. – As used in this Act, the following 6 terms shall mean:

(a) x x x

(b) x x x

(c) x x x

(d) x x x

(e) x x x

~~"[(f) "Radiologist" is a licensed physician who specializes in the diagnosis or treatment of disease with the use of radiation;]~~

~~"[(g) "Medical Physicist" is a physicist who specializes in the application of the principles and techniques of physics in medicine;]~~

~~"[(h) (F) "Board" refers to the PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY Board of Radiologic Technology; [and]~~

~~"[(i) (G) "Commission" refers to the Professional Regulation Commission [created under Presidential Decree Numbered Two hundred and twenty-three]; AND,~~

"(H) "AIPO" REFERS TO THE ACCREDITED AND INTEGRATED PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION OF X-RAY TECHNOLOGISTS AND RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS THAT THE BOARD HAS ACCREDITED, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL BY THE COMMISSION, AS THE ONE AND ONLY ACCREDITED INTEGRATED NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF X-RAY TECHNOLOGISTS AND RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS."

Sec. 2. Section 6 of RA 7431 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 6. *Creation of the Board of Radiologic Technology.* – There is hereby created a **PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY** Board of Radiologic Technology which shall be composed of a Chairman and four (4) members, all of whom shall be appointed by the President of the Philippines upon the recommendation of the Professional Regulation Commission. The Commission shall recommend three (3) radiologic technologists from a list **OF FIVE (5) NOMINEES PER VACANCY** to be submitted by the [Association] **AIPO of X-RAY TECHNOLOGISTS AND** radiologic technologists [~~one (1) radiologist from a list to be submitted by the association of radiologist; and one (1) medical physicist from a list to be submitted by the association of the medical physicist: *Provided, however,* That the said associations are accredited in accordance with Presidential Decree Numbered Two hundred and twenty-three~~]; *Provided, [further] That* each person whose name is submitted shall possess the qualifications prescribed in Section 7 of this Act."

Sec. 3. Section 7 of RA 7431 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 7. *Qualification of Board Members.* – (a) xxx

(1) x x x

(2) x x x

(3) x x x

(4) x x x

~~"[(b) Three (3) members of the Board, including the Chairman, shall at the time of their appointment:]~~

~~"[(1)] (5) Be a radiologic technologist; [and]~~

~~"[(2)] (6) [Have] **HAS** at least ten (10) years practice as A radiologic technologist[s] prior to [their] appointment: [*Provided,* That the three (3) radiologic technologists appointed as members of the first Board shall be deemed automatically registered as radiologic technologist upon assumption of their duties as members.]~~

~~"(7) **BE A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING OF THE AIPO;**
AND,~~

~~"(8) **HAS NOT BEEN CONVICTED BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION OF AN OFFENSE INVOLVING**~~

MORAL TURPITUDE.

~~"[(c) One (1) member of the Board, shall at the time of his appointment:~~

~~"(1) Be a radiologist; and~~

~~"(2) Has at least ten (10) years practice as a radiologist prior to his appointment.]~~

~~"[(d) One (1) member of the Board, shall at the time of his appointment:~~

~~"(1) Be a medical physicist; and~~

~~"(2) Has at least ten (10) years practice as a medical physicist.]~~

Sec. 4. Section 9 of RA 7431 is hereby amended to include new paragraphs to read as follows:

"Sec. 9. Duties and Functions of the Board, x x x

(a) x x x

(b) x x x

(c) x x x

(d) x x x

(e) x x x

(f) x x x

"(G) TO ENSURE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE OF X-RAY TECHNOLOGISTS AND RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS THROUGH MANDATORY CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT;

"(H) TO PROMOTE THE INTEGRATION OF THE X-RAY TECHNOLOGY AND RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONS."

~~"[(g)] (I) x x x~~

~~"[(h)] (J) x x x."~~

Sec. 5. Section 20 of RA 7431 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 20. *Scope of Examination in X-ray Technology.* – Unless changed or modified by the Board, the examination in x-ray technology shall cover the following subjects with the corresponding weights as follows:

~~"[(a) x x x]~~

~~"[(b) x x x]~~

~~"[(c) x x x]~~

~~"[(d) x x x]~~

~~"[(e) x x x]~~

~~"[(f) x x x]~~

~~"[(g) x x x]"~~

"(A) RADIOLOGIC PHYSICS, EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE RADIOBIOLOGY AND RADIATION PROTECTION, QUALITY ASSURANCE

25%

1.1 RADIOLOGIC PHYSICS	
1.2 EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE	
1.3 RADIOBIOLOGY AND RADIATION PROTECTION	
1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE AND QUALITY CONTROL	
"(B) IMAGE PRODUCTION AND EVALUATION	25%
1.1 PRINCIPLES OF IMAGING	
1.2 IMAGE PROCESSING AND ANALYSIS	
"(C) RADIOLOGIC PROCEDURES	25%
1.1 RADIOLOGIC POSITIONING AND RADIOLOGIC PROCEDURES	
1.2 RADIOLOGIC CONTRAST EXAMINATIONS	
"(D) PATIENT CARE, MANAGEMENT, ETHICS AND JURISPRUDENCE, HUMAN ANATOMY, MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY	25%
1.1 PATIENT CARE	
1.2 DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION	
1.3 PROFESSIONAL ETHICS AND JURISPRUDENCE	
1.4 HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY	
1.5 MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY"	

Sec. 6. Section 21 of RA 7431 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 21. *Scope of Examination in Radiologic Technology.* – Unless changed or modified by the Board, the examination in radiologic technology shall cover the following subjects with corresponding weights as follows:

~~"[(a) x x x]"~~	
~~"[(b) x x x]"~~	
~~"[(c) x x x]"~~	
~~"[(d) x x x]"~~	
~~"[(e) x x x]"~~	
~~"[(f) x x x]"~~	
~~"[(g) x x x]"~~	
~~"[(h) x x x]"~~	
~~"[(i) x x x]"~~	
~~"[(j) x x x]"~~	
"(A) RADIOLOGIC PHYSICS, EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE RADIOBIOLOGY AND RADIATION, PROTECTION, QUALITY ASSURANCE	20%
1.1 RADIOLOGIC PHYSICS	
1.2 EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE	
1.3 RADIOBIOLOGY AND RADIATION PROTECTION	

1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE AND QUALITY CONTROL	
"(B) IMAGE PRODUCTION AND EVALUATION	20%
1.1 PRINCIPLES OF IMAGING	
1.2 IMAGE PROCESSING AND ANALYSIS	
"(C) RADIOLOGIC PROCEDURES	20%
1.1 RADIOGRAPHIC POSITIONING AND RADIOLOGIC PROCEDURES	
1.2 RADIOLOGIC CONTRAST EXAMINATIONS	
"(D) PATIENT CARE, MANAGEMENT, ETHICS AND JURISPRUDENCE, HUMAN ANATOMY, MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY	20%
1.1 PATIENT CARE	
1.2 DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION	
1.3 PROFESSIONAL ETHICS AND JURISPRUDENCE	
1.4 HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY	
1.5 MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY	
"(E) RADIOLOGICAL SCIENCES	20%
1.1 RADIOGRAPHIC PATHOLOGY	
1.2 VENIPUNCTURE	
1.3 ULTRASOUND	
1.4 COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY	
1.5 MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING	
1.6 INTERVENTIONAL THERAPY"	

Sec. 7. A new section is hereby inserted after Section 21 of R.A No. 7431 to read as follows:

"SEC. 22. FOREIGN RECIPROCITY. – NO FOREIGN X-RAY TECHNOLOGIST OR RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGIST SHALL BE GIVEN A CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION AND PROFESSIONAL IDENTIFICATION CARD OR BE ENTITLED TO ANY OF THE PRIVILEGES UNDER THIS ACT UNLESS THE COUNTRY OF WHICH THE FOREIGN X-RAY TECHNOLOGIST OR RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGIST IS A SUBJECT OR CITIZEN OF SPECIFICALLY PERMITS FILIPINO X-RAY TECHNOLOGISTS OR RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS TO PRACTICE WITHIN ITS TERRITORIAL LIMITS ON THE SAME BASIS AS THE SUBJECTS OR CITIZENS OF SAID COUNTRY OR STATE."

Sec. 8. Section 22 of RA 7431 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. [22] 23. *Report of Ratings*. – The Board shall, within [one hundred twenty (120)] A PERIOD OF TEN (10) days after the date of completion of the examination, UNLESS EXTENDED FOR JUST AND MERITORIOUS

CAUSE, report the rating obtained by each candidate to the Commission ~~[which shall submit such report to the President of the Philippines for approval].~~

“x x x”

Sec. 9. Sections 23 and 24 of RA 7431 is hereby renumbered as Sections 24 and 25, respectively.

Sec. 10. Section 25 of RA 7431 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. [25] **26. Fees.** ~~[unless otherwise fixed by the Commission, each examinee or registrant shall pay the following fees:~~

“[(a) For application for examination P350.00]”

“[(b) For registration after passing the board examinations P250.00]”

“[(c) For registration without examination P250.00]”

“[(d) For replacement of lost or destroyed certificate of registration P100.00]”

“[(e) For reissuance of revoked certificate P100.00]”

"APPLICANTS FOR EXAMINATION, REGISTRATION, REPLACEMENT OF LOST OR DESTROYED CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION (COR) OR PROFESSIONAL IDENTIFICATION CARD (PIC) OR REISSUANCE OF REVOKED COR SHALL PAY THE CORRESPONDING FEES AS MAY BE PRESCRIBED BY THE COMMISSION."

Sec. 11. A new Section is hereby inserted after Section 26 to read as:

"SEC. 27. INTEGRATION OF THE X-RAY TECHNOLOGY AND RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONS. – THE X-RAY TECHNOLOGY AND RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONS SHALL BE INTEGRATED INTO ONE (1) NATIONAL ORGANIZATION WHICH SHALL BE ACCREDITED BY THE BOARD, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL BY THE COMMISSION, AS THE AIPO OF XRAY TECHNOLOGISTS AND RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS. ALL XRAY TECHNOLOGISTS AND RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS DULY REGISTERED WITH THE BOARD SHALL AUTOMATICALLY BECOME MEMBERS OF THE AIPO, AND SHALL RECEIVE THE BENEFITS AND PRIVILEGES AS WELL AS BE SUBJECT TO THE DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS APPERTAINING TO SUCH MEMBERSHIP UPON PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND DUES. MEMBERSHIP IN THE AIPO SHALL NOT BE A BAR TO MEMBERSHIP IN OTHER ASSOCIATIONS OF XRAY TECHNOLOGISTS AND RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS."

Sec. 12. Sections 26, 27, 28, 29, and 30 of RA 7431 are hereby renumbered as Sections 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32, respectively.

Sec. 13. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, orders, and other issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Sec. 14. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the country or in the Official Gazette.

Approved,