**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 40‑45‑230, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PHYSICAL THERAPY LICENSURE APPLICATION AND EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AN APPLICANT IS ALLOWED TO TAKE THE EXAMINATION A MAXIMUM OF FOUR TIMES AND MUST WAIT FOR ONE YEAR AFTER TAKING IT A THIRD TIME BEFORE TAKING IT THE FOURTH TIME.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 40‑45‑230(G) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(G) If an applicant fails the examination, whether or not taken in South Carolina, the applicant may take the examination a second or third time on payment of the examination fee and completion of an official application. If the applicant fails the examination ~~for~~ a ~~second~~ third time, the applicant, in addition to the requirements for the previous examination, must take courses the board may require, ~~and~~ must furnish evidence of completing these courses, and must wait at least one year, but not more than two years, from the time of the third examination before taking the examination a fourth time. An applicant may not take the examination more than four times.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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