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HOUSE BILL 413

49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2009

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL LICENSING; AMENDING A QUALIFICATION
FOR LICENSURE AS A NAPRAPATH.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 61-12E-5 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2003,
Chapter 60, Section 5) is amended to read:

"61-12E-5. EDUCATION--PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS.--

A. A person [~~may~~] shall be [~~qualified to receive a
license~~] licensed as a naprapath if that person:

(1) is at least twenty-one years of age;

(2) has graduated from a two-year
college-level program or an equivalent program approved by the
superintendent after consultation with the board;

(3) has completed, in not less than three
years, a four-year academic curriculum in naprapathy, that is

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1 approved by ~~[and conforms to the strict protocol of and~~
2 ~~guidelines set by]~~ the ~~[American naprapathic association]~~
3 board, and the person has successfully completed one hundred
4 thirty-two hours of academic credit, including sixty-six credit
5 hours in basic science courses with emphasis on the study of
6 connective tissue, and sixty-six credit hours in clinical
7 ~~[science courses teaching]~~ naprapathic science, theory and
8 application;

9 (4) has passed the national board of
10 naprapathic examiners examination or ~~[can show proof that the~~
11 ~~person]~~ holds a valid license as a naprapath in another
12 jurisdiction; and

13 (5) has met all other requirements of the
14 Naprapathic Practice Act.

15 B. The superintendent or the board may require a
16 personal interview with an applicant to evaluate that person's
17 qualifications for a license."

18 Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
19 provisions of this act is July 1, 2009.