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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 773**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Baker**

February 25, 2015

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An act to amend Sections 2423 and 2982 of, *to add Section 2499.7 to*, and to repeal Section 2422 of, the Business and Professions Code, relating to business and professions.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 773, as amended, Baker. Licenses: Medical Board of California: Board of Psychology.

Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of specific health care professions by the Medical Board of California or a licensing and regulatory authority within the jurisdiction of that board. The Medical Practice Act determines the expiration of, and governs the renewal of, certificates, licenses, registrations, and permits issued by or under the Medical Board of California, ~~including physician and surgeon's certificates, certificates to practice podiatric medicine, physical therapy licenses and approvals, registrations of research psychoanalysts, registrations of dispensing opticians, registrations of nonresident contact lens sellers, registrations of spectacle lens dispensers, registrations of contact lens dispensers, certificates to practice midwifery, and fictitious-name permits.~~ *California*. Under the act, physician and surgeon's certificates, certificates to practice podiatric medicine, registrations of spectacle lens dispensers and contact lens dispensers, and certificates to practice midwifery expire on the last day

of the birth month of the licensee during the 2nd year of a 2-year term. Under that act, registrations of dispensing opticians expire on the last day of the month in which the license was issued during the 2nd year of a 2-year term.

The Psychology Licensing Law establishes the Board of Psychology to license and regulate the practice of psychology. Under that law, psychology licenses expire on the legal birth date of the licensee during the 2nd year of a 2-year term.

This bill would instead have ~~all~~ of the above licenses, *with the exception of certificates to practice podiatric medicine*, expire at the end, as provided, of a 2-year period from the date the license was issued.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 2422 of the Business and Professions  
2 Code is repealed.

3 SEC. 2. Section 2423 of the Business and Professions Code is  
4 amended to read:

5 2423. (a) All physician and surgeon’s certificates, ~~certificates~~  
6 ~~to practice podiatric medicine~~, registrations of dispensing opticians,  
7 spectacle lens dispensers, and contact lens dispensers, and  
8 certificates to practice midwifery shall expire at 12 midnight on  
9 the last day of the month in which the license was issued during  
10 the second year of a two-year term commencing from the date of  
11 issuance.

12 (b) To renew an unexpired license, the licensee, on or before  
13 the date on which it would otherwise expire, shall apply for renewal  
14 on a form prescribed by the licensing authority and pay the  
15 prescribed renewal fee.

16 SEC. 3. Section 2499.7 is added to the Business and Professions  
17 Code, to read:

18 2499.7. (a) *Certificates to practice podiatric medicine shall*  
19 *expire at 12 midnight on the last day of the birth month of the*  
20 *licensee during the second year of a two-year term.*

21 (b) *To renew an unexpired certificate, the licensee, on or before*  
22 *the date on which it would otherwise expire, shall apply for renewal*  
23 *on a form prescribed by the board and pay the prescribed renewal*  
24 *fee.*

1     ~~SEC. 3.~~

2     *SEC. 4.* Section 2982 of the Business and Professions Code is  
3 amended to read:

4     2982. (a) All licenses expire and become invalid at 12 midnight  
5 on the last day of February, 1980, and thereafter shall expire at 12  
6 midnight of the last date of the two-year period from the date the  
7 license was issued.

8     (b) To renew an unexpired license, the licensee, on or before  
9 the date on which it would otherwise expire, shall apply for renewal  
10 on a form provided by the board, accompanied by the prescribed  
11 renewal fee.

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