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An Act To Certify Nuclear Medicine Technologists in Computed Tomography

Reference to the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative KINNEY of Limington.
Cosponsored by Senator COLLINS of York and
Representatives: BEAULIEU of Auburn, LONGSTAFF of Waterville, SHAW of Standish,
TYLER of Windham, Senators: HAMPER of Oxford, TUTTLE of York.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §9852, sub-§§1-A and 1-B** are enacted to read:

3 **1-A. Certified nuclear medicine technologist in computed tomography.**
4 "Certified nuclear medicine technologist in computed tomography" means an individual
5 who has successfully completed the requirements for certification pursuant to section
6 9855, subsection 2-A and is certified by the board to perform specific duties related to
7 computed tomography prescribed by the board by rule and in accordance with guidelines
8 set by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists or Nuclear Medicine
9 Technology Certification Board.

10 **1-B. Computed tomography.** "Computed tomography" means the use of ionizing
11 radiation to create cross-sectional, 3-dimensional computerized images for diagnostic
12 purposes.

13 **Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §9855, sub-§2-A** is enacted to read:

14 **2-A. Certified nuclear medicine technologist in computed tomography.** To
15 qualify as a certified nuclear medicine technologist in computed tomography, an
16 applicant must:

17 A. Hold a current license to practice as a nuclear medicine technologist pursuant to
18 subsection 2; and

19 B. Successfully pass the certification examination in computed tomography from the
20 American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, as determined by the board.

21 **Sec. 3. 32 MRSA §9856, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 2007, c. 402, Pt. X, §3, is
22 further amended to read:

23 **1. Application.** To apply for a license as a radiographer, nuclear medicine
24 technologist, or radiation therapy technologist or for a limited license, or for certification
25 as a certified nuclear medicine technologist in computed tomography, an applicant shall:

26 A. Submit a written application with supporting documents to the board;

27 B. Pay the application fee as set under section 9859-A; and

28 C. Pay an examination fee as set under section 9859-A.

29 **SUMMARY**

30 This bill amends the laws governing nuclear medicine technologists to create a
31 computed tomography certification for nuclear medicine technologists that:

32 1. Hold a current license to practice as a nuclear medicine technologist; and

33 2. Have successfully passed the certification examination in computed tomography
34 from the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, as determined by the
35 Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners.

1 The bill authorizes a certified nuclear medicine technologist to perform specific
2 duties related to computed tomography that are in accordance with national guidelines
3 and rules approved by the board.