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ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 483

**Introduced by Assembly Member Patterson
(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Gordon)
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Chang, Chávez, Grove, Obernolte,
Waldron, and Wilk)
(Coauthor: Senator Anderson)**

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An act to amend Sections 1724, 1944, 2435, 2456.1, 2538.57, 2570.16, 2688, ~~2987~~, 4842.5, 4905, 4970, and 5604 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to healing arts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 483, as amended, Patterson. Healing arts: initial license fees: proration.

Existing law provides for the regulation and licensure of various professions and ~~vocations~~; *vocations by boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs*. Existing law establishes fees for initial licenses, initial temporary and permanent licenses, and original licenses for those various professions and vocations. Existing law requires that licenses issued to certain licensees, including, among others, architects, acupuncturists, dental hygienists, dentists, occupational therapists, *osteopathic physicians and surgeons*, physical therapists, physicians and surgeons, ~~psychologists~~, and veterinarians, expire at 12 a.m. on either the last day of the birth month of the licensee or at 12 a.m. of the legal birth date of the licensee during the 2nd year of a 2-year term, if not renewed.

This bill would require that the fees imposed by these provisions for an initial license, an initial temporary or permanent license, ~~or~~ an original license, *or a renewal* be prorated on a monthly basis.

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 1724 of the Business and Professions
2 Code is amended to read:

3 1724. The amount of charges and fees for dentists licensed
4 pursuant to this chapter shall be established by the board as is
5 necessary for the purpose of carrying out the responsibilities
6 required by this chapter as it relates to dentists, subject to the
7 following limitations:

8 (a) The fee for application for examination shall not exceed five
9 hundred dollars (\$500).

10 (b) The fee for application for reexamination shall not exceed
11 one hundred dollars (\$100).

12 (c) The fee for examination and for reexamination shall not
13 exceed eight hundred dollars (\$800). Applicants who are found to
14 be ineligible to take the examination shall be entitled to a refund
15 in an amount fixed by the board.

16 (d) The fee for an initial license and for the renewal of a license
17 is five hundred twenty-five dollars (\$525). The fee for an initial
18 license fee shall be prorated on a monthly basis.

19 (e) The fee for a special permit shall not exceed three hundred
20 dollars (\$300), and the renewal fee for a special permit shall not
21 exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

22 (f) The delinquency fee shall be the amount prescribed by
23 Section 163.5.

24 (g) The penalty for late registration of change of place of
25 practice shall not exceed seventy-five dollars (\$75).

26 (h) The application fee for permission to conduct an additional
27 place of practice shall not exceed two hundred dollars (\$200).

28 (i) The renewal fee for an additional place of practice shall not
29 exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

30 (j) The fee for issuance of a substitute certificate shall not exceed
31 one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125).

1 (k) The fee for a provider of continuing education shall not
2 exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) per year.

3 (l) The fee for application for a referral service permit and for
4 renewal of that permit shall not exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25).

5 (m) The fee for application for an extramural facility permit
6 and for the renewal of a permit shall not exceed twenty-five dollars
7 (\$25).

8 The board shall report to the appropriate fiscal committees of
9 each house of the Legislature whenever the board increases any
10 fee pursuant to this section and shall specify the rationale and
11 justification for that increase.

12 SEC. 2. Section 1944 of the Business and Professions Code is
13 amended to read:

14 1944. (a) The committee shall establish by resolution the
15 amount of the fees that relate to the licensing of a registered dental
16 hygienist, a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice, and
17 a registered dental hygienist in extended functions. The fees
18 established by board resolution in effect on June 30, 2009, as they
19 relate to the licensure of registered dental hygienists, registered
20 dental hygienists in alternative practice, and registered dental
21 hygienists in extended functions, shall remain in effect until
22 modified by the committee. The fees are subject to the following
23 limitations:

24 (1) The application fee for an original license and the fee for
25 the issuance of an original license shall not exceed two hundred
26 fifty dollars (\$250). The fee for the issuance of an original license
27 shall be prorated on a monthly basis.

28 (2) The fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental
29 hygienist shall not exceed the actual cost of the examination.

30 (3) For third- and fourth-year dental students, the fee for
31 examination for licensure as a registered dental hygienist shall not
32 exceed the actual cost of the examination.

33 (4) The fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental
34 hygienist in extended functions shall not exceed the actual cost of
35 the examination.

36 (5) The fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental
37 hygienist in alternative practice shall not exceed the actual cost of
38 administering the examination.

39 (6) The biennial renewal fee shall not exceed one hundred sixty
40 dollars (\$160).

1 (7) The delinquency fee shall not exceed one-half of the renewal
2 fee. Any delinquent license may be restored only upon payment
3 of all fees, including the delinquency fee, and compliance with all
4 other applicable requirements of this article.

5 (8) The fee for issuance of a duplicate license to replace one
6 that is lost or destroyed, or in the event of a name change, shall
7 not exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25) or one-half of the renewal
8 fee, whichever is greater.

9 (9) The fee for certification of licensure shall not exceed one-half
10 of the renewal fee.

11 (10) The fee for each curriculum review and site evaluation for
12 educational programs for dental hygienists who are not accredited
13 by a committee-approved agency shall not exceed two thousand
14 one hundred dollars (\$2,100).

15 (11) The fee for each review or approval of course requirements
16 for licensure or procedures that require additional training shall
17 not exceed seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750).

18 (12) The initial application and biennial fee for a provider of
19 continuing education shall not exceed five hundred dollars (\$500).

20 (13) The amount of fees payable in connection with permits
21 issued under Section 1962 is as follows:

22 (A) The initial permit fee is an amount equal to the renewal fee
23 for the applicant's license to practice dental hygiene in effect on
24 the last regular renewal date before the date on which the permit
25 is issued.

26 (B) If the permit will expire less than one year after its issuance,
27 then the initial permit fee is an amount equal to 50 percent of the
28 renewal fee in effect on the last regular renewal date before the
29 date on which the permit is issued.

30 (b) The renewal and delinquency fees shall be fixed by the
31 committee by resolution at not more than the current amount of
32 the renewal fee for a license to practice under this article nor less
33 than five dollars (\$5).

34 (c) Fees fixed by the committee by resolution pursuant to this
35 section shall not be subject to the approval of the Office of
36 Administrative Law.

37 (d) Fees collected pursuant to this section shall be collected by
38 the committee and deposited into the State Dental Hygiene Fund,
39 which is hereby created. All money in this fund shall, upon

1 appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act, be used
2 to implement this article.

3 (e) No fees or charges other than those listed in this section shall
4 be levied by the committee in connection with the licensure of
5 registered dental hygienists, registered dental hygienists in
6 alternative practice, or registered dental hygienists in extended
7 functions.

8 (f) The fee for registration of an extramural dental facility shall
9 not exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

10 (g) The fee for registration of a mobile dental hygiene unit shall
11 not exceed one hundred fifty dollars (\$150).

12 (h) The biennial renewal fee for a mobile dental hygiene unit
13 shall not exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

14 (i) The fee for an additional office permit shall not exceed two
15 hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

16 (j) The biennial renewal fee for an additional office as described
17 in Section 1926.4 shall not exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

18 (k) The initial application and biennial special permit fee is an
19 amount equal to the biennial renewal fee specified in paragraph
20 (6) of subdivision (a).

21 (l) The fees in this section shall not exceed an amount sufficient
22 to cover the reasonable regulatory cost of carrying out this article.

23 SEC. 3. Section 2435 of the Business and Professions Code is
24 amended to read:

25 2435. The following fees apply to the licensure of physicians
26 and surgeons:

27 (a) Each applicant for a certificate based upon a national board
28 diplomate certificate, each applicant for a certificate based on
29 reciprocity, and each applicant for a certificate based upon written
30 examination, shall pay a nonrefundable application and processing
31 fee, as set forth in subdivision (b), at the time the application is
32 filed.

33 (b) The application and processing fee shall be fixed by the
34 board by May 1 of each year, to become effective on July 1 of that
35 year. The fee shall be fixed at an amount necessary to recover the
36 actual costs of the licensing program as projected for the fiscal
37 year commencing on the date the fees become effective.

38 (c) Each applicant who qualifies for a certificate, as a condition
39 precedent to its issuance, in addition to other fees required herein,
40 shall pay an initial license fee, if any, in an amount fixed by the

1 board consistent with this section. The initial license fee shall not
2 exceed seven hundred ninety dollars (\$790). The initial license fee
3 shall be prorated on a monthly basis. An applicant enrolled in an
4 approved postgraduate training program shall be required to pay
5 only 50 percent of the initial license fee.

6 (d) The biennial renewal fee shall be fixed by the board
7 consistent with this section and shall not exceed seven hundred
8 ninety dollars (\$790).

9 (e) Notwithstanding subdivisions (c) and (d), and to ensure that
10 subdivision (k) of Section 125.3 is revenue neutral with regard to
11 the board, the ~~board may~~, *board*, by regulation, *may* increase the
12 amount of the initial license fee and the biennial renewal fee by
13 an amount required to recover both of the following:

14 (1) The average amount received by the board during the three
15 fiscal years immediately preceding July 1, 2006, as reimbursement
16 for the reasonable costs of investigation and enforcement
17 proceedings pursuant to Section 125.3.

18 (2) Any increase in the amount of investigation and enforcement
19 costs incurred by the board after January 1, 2006, that exceeds the
20 average costs expended for investigation and enforcement costs
21 during the three fiscal years immediately preceding July 1, 2006.
22 When calculating the amount of costs for services for which the
23 board paid an hourly rate, the board shall use the average number
24 of hours for which the board paid for those costs over these prior
25 three fiscal years, multiplied by the hourly rate paid by the board
26 for those costs as of July 1, 2005. Beginning January 1, 2009, the
27 board shall instead use the average number of hours for which it
28 paid for those costs over the three-year period of fiscal years
29 2005–06, 2006–07, and 2007–08, multiplied by the hourly rate
30 paid by the board for those costs as of July 1, 2005. In calculating
31 the increase in the amount of investigation and enforcement costs,
32 the board shall include only those costs for which it was eligible
33 to obtain reimbursement under Section 125.3 and shall not include
34 probation monitoring costs and disciplinary costs, including those
35 associated with the citation and fine process and those required to
36 implement subdivision (d) of Section 12529 of the Government
37 Code.

38 (f) Notwithstanding Section 163.5, the delinquency fee shall be
39 10 percent of the biennial renewal fee.

1 (g) The duplicate certificate and endorsement fees shall each
2 be fifty dollars (\$50), and the certification and letter of good
3 standing fees shall each be ten dollars (\$10).

4 (h) It is the intent of the Legislature that, in setting fees pursuant
5 to this section, the board shall seek to maintain a reserve in the
6 Contingent Fund of the Medical Board of California in an amount
7 not less than two nor more than four months' operating
8 expenditures.

9 (i) Not later than January 1, 2012, the Office of State Audits
10 and Evaluations within the Department of Finance shall commence
11 a preliminary review of the board's financial status, including, but
12 not limited to, its projections related to expenses, revenues, and
13 reserves, and the impact of the loan from the Contingent Fund of
14 the Medical Board of California to the General Fund made pursuant
15 to the Budget Act of 2008. The office shall make the results of this
16 review available upon request by June 1, 2012. This review shall
17 be funded from the existing resources of the office during the
18 2011–12 fiscal year.

19 *SEC. 4. Section 2456.1 of the Business and Professions Code*
20 *is amended to read:*

21 2456.1. (a) All osteopathic physician's and surgeon's
22 certificates shall expire at 12 midnight on the last day of the birth
23 month of the licensee during the second year of a two-year term
24 if not renewed on or before that day.

25 ~~The~~

26 (b) ~~The~~ board shall establish by regulation procedures for the
27 administration of a birth date renewal program, including, but not
28 limited to, the establishment of a system of staggered license
29 expiration dates such that a relatively equal number of licenses
30 expire monthly.

31 ~~To~~

32 (c) ~~To~~ renew an unexpired license, the licensee shall, on or
33 before the dates on which it would otherwise expire, apply for
34 renewal on a form prescribed by the board and pay the prescribed
35 renewal fee.

36 (d) ~~The fee assessed pursuant to this section shall be prorated~~
37 ~~on a monthly basis.~~

38 ~~SEC. 4.~~

39 *SEC. 5. Section 2538.57 of the Business and Professions Code*
40 *is amended to read:*

1 2538.57. The amount of fees and penalties prescribed by this
2 article shall be those set forth in this section unless a lower fee is
3 fixed by the board:

4 (a) The fee for applicants applying for the first time for a license
5 is seventy-five dollars (\$75), which shall not be refunded, except
6 to applicants who are found to be ineligible to take an examination
7 for a license. Those applicants are entitled to a refund of fifty
8 dollars (\$50).

9 (b) The fees for taking or retaking the written and practical
10 examinations shall be amounts fixed by the board, which shall be
11 equal to the actual cost of preparing, grading, analyzing, and
12 administering the examinations.

13 (c) The initial temporary license fee is one hundred dollars
14 (\$100). The fee for an initial temporary license shall be prorated
15 on a monthly basis. The fee for renewal of a temporary license is
16 one hundred dollars (\$100) for each renewal.

17 (d) The initial permanent license fee is two hundred eighty
18 dollars (\$280). The fee for an initial permanent license shall be
19 prorated on a monthly basis. The fee for renewal of a permanent
20 license is not more than two hundred eighty dollars (\$280) for each
21 renewal.

22 (e) The initial branch office license fee is twenty-five dollars
23 (\$25). The fee for renewal of a branch office license is twenty-five
24 dollars (\$25) for each renewal.

25 (f) The delinquency fee is twenty-five dollars (\$25).

26 (g) The fee for issuance of a replacement license is twenty-five
27 dollars (\$25).

28 (h) The continuing education course approval application fee
29 is fifty dollars (\$50).

30 (i) The fee for official certification of licensure is fifteen dollars
31 (\$15).

32 ~~SEC. 5.~~

33 *SEC. 6.* Section 2570.16 of the Business and Professions Code
34 is amended to read:

35 2570.16. Initial license and renewal fees shall be established
36 by the board in an amount that does not exceed a ceiling of one
37 hundred fifty dollars (\$150) per year. The initial license fee shall
38 be prorated on a monthly basis. The board shall establish the
39 following additional fees:

40 (a) An application fee not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50).

- 1 (b) A late renewal fee as provided for in Section 2570.10.
- 2 (c) A limited permit fee.
- 3 (d) A fee to collect fingerprints for criminal history record
- 4 checks.

5 ~~SEC. 6.~~

6 *SEC. 7.* Section 2688 of the Business and Professions Code is
7 amended to read:

8 2688. The amount of fees assessed in connection with licenses
9 issued under this chapter is as follows:

10 (a) (1) The fee for an application for licensure as a physical
11 therapist submitted to the board prior to March 1, 2009, shall be
12 seventy-five dollars (\$75). The fee for an application submitted
13 under Section 2653 to the board prior to March 1, 2009, shall be
14 one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125).

15 (2) The fee for an application for licensure as a physical therapist
16 submitted to the board on or after March 1, 2009, shall be one
17 hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125). The fee for an application
18 submitted under Section 2653 to the board on or after March 1,
19 2009, shall be two hundred dollars (\$200).

20 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may
21 decrease or increase the amount of an application fee under this
22 subdivision to an amount that does not exceed the cost of
23 administering the application process, but in no event shall the
24 application fee amount exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

25 (b) The examination and reexamination fees for the physical
26 therapist examination, physical therapist assistant examination,
27 and the examination to demonstrate knowledge of the California
28 rules and regulations related to the practice of physical therapy
29 shall be the actual cost to the board of the development and writing
30 of, or purchase of the examination, and grading of each written
31 examination, plus the actual cost of administering each
32 examination. The board, at its discretion, may require the licensure
33 applicant to pay the fee for the examinations required by Section
34 2636 directly to the organization conducting the examination.

35 (c) (1) The fee for a physical therapist license issued prior to
36 March 1, 2009, shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75).

37 (2) The fee for a physical therapist license issued on or after
38 March 1, 2009, shall be one hundred dollars (\$100).

39 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may
40 decrease or increase the amount of the fee under this subdivision

1 to an amount that does not exceed the cost of administering the
2 process to issue the license, but in no event shall the fee to issue
3 the license exceed one hundred fifty dollars (\$150).

4 (4) The fee assessed pursuant to this subdivision for an initial
5 physical therapist license issued on or after January 1, 2016, shall
6 be prorated on a monthly basis.

7 (d) (1) The fee to renew a physical therapist license that expires
8 prior to April 1, 2009, shall be one hundred fifty dollars (\$150).

9 (2) The fee to renew a physical therapist license that expires on
10 or after April 1, 2009, shall be two hundred dollars (\$200).

11 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may
12 decrease or increase the amount of the renewal fee under this
13 subdivision to an amount that does not exceed the cost of the
14 renewal process, but in no event shall the renewal fee amount
15 exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

16 (e) (1) The fee for application and for issuance of a physical
17 therapist assistant license shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75) for
18 an application submitted to the board prior to March 1, 2009.

19 (2) The fee for application and for issuance of a physical
20 therapist assistant license shall be one hundred twenty-five dollars
21 (\$125) for an application submitted to the board on or after March
22 1, 2009. The fee for an application submitted under Section 2653
23 to the board on or after March 1, 2009, shall be two hundred dollars
24 (\$200).

25 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may
26 decrease or increase the amount of the fee under this subdivision
27 to an amount that does not exceed the cost of administering the
28 application process, but in no event shall the application fee amount
29 exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

30 (f) (1) The fee to renew a physical therapist assistant license
31 that expires prior to April 1, 2009, shall be one hundred fifty dollars
32 (\$150).

33 (2) The fee to renew a physical therapist assistant license that
34 expires on or after April 1, 2009, shall be two hundred dollars
35 (\$200).

36 (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), the board may
37 decrease or increase the amount of the renewal fee under this
38 subdivision to an amount that does not exceed the cost of the
39 renewal process, but in no event shall the renewal fee amount
40 exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

1 (g) Notwithstanding Section 163.5, the delinquency fee shall
2 be 50 percent of the renewal fee in effect.

3 (h) (1) The duplicate wall certificate fee shall be fifty dollars
4 (\$50). The duplicate renewal receipt fee amount shall be fifty
5 dollars (\$50).

6 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the board may decrease or
7 increase the amount of the fee under this subdivision to an amount
8 that does not exceed the cost of issuing duplicates, but in no event
9 shall that fee exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

10 (i) (1) The endorsement or letter of good standing fee shall be
11 sixty dollars (\$60).

12 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the board may decrease or
13 increase the amount of the fee under this subdivision to an amount
14 that does not exceed the cost of issuing an endorsement or letter,
15 but in no event shall the fee amount exceed one hundred dollars
16 (\$100).

17 ~~SEC. 7. Section 2987 of the Business and Professions Code is~~
18 ~~amended to read:~~

19 ~~2987. The amount of the fees prescribed by this chapter shall~~
20 ~~be determined by the board, and shall be as follows:~~

21 ~~(a) The application fee for a psychologist shall not be more than~~
22 ~~fifty dollars (\$50).~~

23 ~~(b) The examination and reexamination fees for the~~
24 ~~examinations shall be the actual cost to the board of developing,~~
25 ~~purchasing, and grading of each examination, plus the actual cost~~
26 ~~to the board of administering each examination.~~

27 ~~(c) The initial license fee is an amount equal to the renewal fee~~
28 ~~in effect on the last regular renewal date before the date on which~~
29 ~~the license is issued. The initial license fee shall be prorated on a~~
30 ~~monthly basis.~~

31 ~~(d) The biennial renewal fee for a psychologist shall be four~~
32 ~~hundred dollars (\$400). The board may increase the renewal fee~~
33 ~~to an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500).~~

34 ~~(e) The application fee for registration and supervision of a~~
35 ~~psychological assistant by a supervisor under Section 2913, which~~
36 ~~is payable by that supervisor, shall not be more than seventy-five~~
37 ~~dollars (\$75).~~

38 ~~(f) The annual renewal fee for registration of a psychological~~
39 ~~assistant shall not be more than seventy-five dollars (\$75).~~

40 ~~(g) The duplicate license or registration fee is five dollars (\$5).~~

1 ~~(h) The delinquency fee is twenty-five dollars (\$25).~~

2 ~~(i) The endorsement fee is five dollars (\$5).~~

3 ~~Notwithstanding any other law, the board may reduce any fee~~
4 ~~prescribed by this section, when, in its discretion, the board deems~~
5 ~~it administratively appropriate.~~

6 SEC. 8. Section 4842.5 of the Business and Professions Code
7 is amended to read:

8 4842.5. The amount of fees prescribed by this article is ~~that~~
9 fixed by the following schedule:

10 (a) The fee for filing an application for examination shall be set
11 by the board in an amount it determines is reasonably necessary
12 to provide sufficient funds to carry out the purposes of this chapter,
13 not to exceed three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).

14 (b) The fee for the California registered veterinary technician
15 examination shall be set by the board in an amount it determines
16 is reasonably necessary to provide sufficient funds to carry out the
17 purposes of this chapter, not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

18 (c) The initial registration fee shall be set by the board at not
19 more than three hundred fifty dollars (\$350) and shall be prorated
20 on a monthly basis. The board may adopt regulations to provide
21 for the waiver or refund of the initial registration fee when the
22 registration is issued less than 45 days before the date on which it
23 will expire.

24 (d) The biennial renewal fee shall be set by the board at not
25 more than three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).

26 (e) The delinquency fee shall be set by the board at not more
27 than fifty dollars (\$50).

28 (f) Any charge made for duplication or other services shall be
29 set at the cost of rendering the services.

30 (g) The fee for filing an application for approval of a school or
31 institution offering a curriculum for training registered veterinary
32 technicians pursuant to Section 4843 shall be set by the board at
33 an amount not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300). The school
34 or institution shall also pay for the actual costs of an onsite
35 inspection conducted by the board pursuant to Section 2065.6 of
36 Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, including, but not
37 limited to, the travel, food, and lodging expenses incurred by an
38 inspection team sent by the board.

39 (h) The fee for failure to report a change in the mailing address
40 is twenty-five dollars (\$25).

1 SEC. 9. Section 4905 of the Business and Professions Code is
2 amended to read:

3 4905. The following fees shall be collected by the board and
4 shall be credited to the Veterinary Medical Board Contingent Fund:

5 (a) The fee for filing an application for examination shall be set
6 by the board in an amount it determines is reasonably necessary
7 to provide sufficient funds to carry out the purpose of this chapter,
8 not to exceed three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).

9 (b) The fee for the California state board examination shall be
10 set by the board in an amount it determines is reasonably necessary
11 to provide sufficient funds to carry out the purpose of this chapter,
12 not to exceed three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).

13 (c) The fee for the Veterinary Medicine Practice Act
14 examination shall be set by the board in an amount it determines
15 reasonably necessary to provide sufficient funds to carry out the
16 purpose of this chapter, not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

17 (d) The initial license fee shall be set by the board not to exceed
18 five hundred dollars (\$500) and shall be prorated on a monthly
19 basis. ~~The board may;~~ *board,* by appropriate regulation, *may*
20 provide for the waiver or refund of the initial license fee when the
21 license is issued less than 45 days before the date on which it will
22 expire.

23 (e) The renewal fee shall be set by the board for each biennial
24 renewal period in an amount it determines is reasonably necessary
25 to provide sufficient funds to carry out the purpose of this chapter,
26 not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500).

27 (f) The temporary license fee shall be set by the board in an
28 amount it determines is reasonably necessary to provide sufficient
29 funds to carry out the purpose of this chapter, not to exceed two
30 hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

31 (g) The delinquency fee shall be set by the board, not to exceed
32 fifty dollars (\$50).

33 (h) The fee for issuance of a duplicate license is twenty-five
34 dollars (\$25).

35 (i) Any charge made for duplication or other services shall be
36 set at the cost of rendering the service, except as specified in
37 subdivision (h).

38 (j) The fee for failure to report a change in the mailing address
39 is twenty-five dollars (\$25).

1 (k) The initial and annual renewal fees for registration of
2 veterinary premises shall be set by the board in an amount not to
3 exceed four hundred dollars (\$400) annually.

4 (l) If the money transferred from the Veterinary Medical Board
5 Contingent Fund to the General Fund pursuant to the Budget Act
6 of 1991 is redeposited into the Veterinary Medical Board
7 Contingent Fund, the fees assessed by the board shall be reduced
8 correspondingly. However, the reduction shall not be so great as
9 to cause the Veterinary Medical Board Contingent Fund to have
10 a reserve of less than three months of annual authorized board
11 expenditures. The fees set by the board shall not result in a
12 Veterinary Medical Board Contingent Fund reserve of more than
13 10 months of annual authorized board expenditures.

14 SEC. 10. Section 4970 of the Business and Professions Code
15 is amended to read:

16 4970. The amount of fees prescribed for licensed acupuncturists
17 shall be those set forth in this section unless a lower fee is fixed
18 by the board in accordance with Section ~~4972~~: 4972.

19 (a) The application fee shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75).

20 (b) The examination and reexamination fees shall be the actual
21 cost to the Acupuncture Board for the development and writing
22 of, grading, and administering of each examination.

23 (c) The initial license fee shall be three hundred twenty-five
24 dollars (\$325) and shall be prorated on a monthly basis.

25 (d) The renewal fee shall be three hundred twenty-five dollars
26 (\$325) and in the event a lower fee is fixed by the board, shall be
27 an amount sufficient to support the functions of the board in the
28 administration of this chapter. The renewal fee shall be assessed
29 on an annual basis until January 1, 1996, and on and after that date
30 the board shall assess the renewal fee biennially.

31 (e) The delinquency fee shall be set in accordance with Section
32 163.5.

33 (f) The application fee for the approval of a school or college
34 under Section 4939 shall be three thousand dollars (\$3,000). This
35 subdivision shall become inoperative on January 1, 2017.

36 (g) The duplicate wall license fee is an amount equal to the cost
37 to the board for the issuance of the duplicate license.

38 (h) The duplicate renewal receipt fee is ten dollars (\$10).

39 (i) The endorsement fee is ten dollars (\$10).

1 (j) The fee for a duplicate license for an additional office
2 location as required under Section 4961 shall be fifteen dollars
3 (\$15).

4 SEC. 11. Section 5604 of the Business and Professions Code
5 is amended to read:

6 5604. The fees prescribed by this chapter for architect
7 applicants or architect licenseholders shall be fixed by the board
8 as follows:

9 (a) The application fee for reviewing a candidate's eligibility
10 to take any section of the examination shall not exceed one hundred
11 dollars (\$100).

12 (b) The fee for any section of the examination administered by
13 the board shall not exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

14 (c) The fee for an original license at an amount equal to the
15 renewal fee in effect at the time the license is issued. The fee for
16 an original license shall be prorated on a monthly basis. The ~~board~~
17 ~~may, board,~~ by appropriate regulation, *may* provide for the waiver
18 or refund of the fee for an original license if the license is issued
19 less than 45 days before the date on which it will expire.

20 (d) The fee for an application for reciprocity shall not exceed
21 one hundred dollars (\$100).

22 (e) The fee for a duplicate license shall not exceed twenty-five
23 dollars (\$25).

24 (f) The renewal fee shall not exceed four hundred dollars (\$400).

25 (g) The delinquency fee shall not exceed 50 percent of the
26 renewal fee.

27 (h) The fee for a retired license shall not exceed the fee
28 prescribed in subdivision (c).