

March 2, 1978

LB 583, 675, 761

PRESIDENT: Motion fails. The amendment is not adopted. Now the question is the advancement of the bill. Senator Moylan.

SENATOR MOYLAN: I move advancement of the bill.

PRESIDENT: Record your vote. Record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The bill is advanced. LB 675.

CLERK: Read title to LB 675. The bill was read on January 6, 1978. It was referred to the Public Health and Welfare Committee. It was advanced to General File. There are no amendments, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Moylan.

SENATOR MOYLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, here is a serious bill introduced by the Public Health and Welfare Committee. The purpose is to permit the issuance of a restricted and temporary permit for training practice for pharmacists engaged in postgraduate pharmaceutical education. This would allow a pharmacy school graduate, who has not received his or her license, to practice pharmacy in an educational setting only. I move for the advancement of the bill to E & R initial.

PRESIDENT: Any discussion? Record your vote. Record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The bill is advanced. LB 761.

CLERK: Read title to LB 761. The bill was read on January 10, 1978. It was referred to the Public Health and Welfare Committee. It was advanced to General File. There are no committee amendments pending, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Moylan.

SENATOR MOYLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is another Public Health and Welfare Committee bill. The bill was introduced for the purpose of recognizing an equivalent examination for the licensure of foreign, trained physicians. Currently Nebraska statute provides that a foreign, trained physician must possess a permanent Education Commission for Foreign Medical Graduate Certificate, acquired by successfully passing an examination, and one year of post-graduate training in medicine in the United States, and successfully passed the state board examination, known as Flex, utilized by 48 states. The Federal Manpower Act, passed October 11, 1976, and effective January 10, 1977, provides for an examination known as the Visa Qualifying Examination. This examination is not a substitute for, but rather is the equivalent to the Education Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates Exam. A foreign medical graduate would have to pass one of these exams. Additionally, the bill provides for the Fifth Pathway medical student to be eligible for acceptance of residency appointments in Nebraska through the acquisition of temporary medical education permits. Mr. Ken Neff, from the Medical Association, was a proponent of the bill. There were no opponents. I would move for the advancement of LB 761 to E & R initial.

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