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DIVISION 2. HEALING ARTS [500 - 4999.129] (*Division 2 enacted by Stats. 1937, Ch. 399.*)

CHAPTER 5. Medicine [2000 - 2529.8.1] (*Chapter 5 repealed and added by Stats. 1980, Ch. 1313, Sec. 2.*)

ARTICLE 4.5. Osteopathic Requirements for Licensure [2099.5 - 2099.6] (*Article 4.5 added by Stats. 1984, Ch. 184, Sec. 1.*)

2099.5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an originating license for an osteopathic physician's and surgeon's certificate issued by the Osteopathic Medical Board of California shall require a written examination that is either prepared or selected by the Osteopathic Medical Board of California. The written examination shall include osteopathic principles and practices and all applicable provisions of Article 4 (commencing with Section 2080). An applicant shall successfully complete the written examination, as determined by the board.

(*Amended by Stats. 2003, Ch. 789, Sec. 9. Effective January 1, 2004.*)

2099.6. (a) The Osteopathic Medical Board of California shall develop a process to give priority review status to the application of an applicant for an osteopathic physician and surgeon's certificate who can demonstrate that he or she intends to practice in a medically underserved area or serve a medically underserved population as defined in Section 128565 of the Health and Safety Code.

(b) An applicant may demonstrate his or her intent to practice in a medically underserved area or serve a medically underserved population by providing proper documentation, including, but not limited to, a letter from the employer indicating that the applicant has accepted employment and stating the start date.

(*Added by Stats. 2013, Ch. 307, Sec. 2. (AB 1288) Effective January 1, 2014.*)