April 30, 2014

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim, The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, 
President Speaker and Members of the 
and Members of the Senate House of Representatives 
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Twenty-Seventh State Legislature 
State Capitol, Room 409 State Capitol, Room 431 
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on April 30, 2014, the following bill was signed into law:

HB1882 HD2 SD1 RELATING TO PODIATRISTS
ACT 063 (14)

Sincerely,

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawaii
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PODIATRISTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to adopt the national standard of a minimum of twenty-four months in an accredited podiatric residency prior to licensure as a podiatrist.

SECTION 2. Section 4633-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§4633-3 Qualification for [examination.] licensure. No person shall be licensed to practice podiatric medicine unless the [applicant] person has passed the examinations described in section 463E-4 and has been found to [be possessed of] possess the necessary qualifications as required by the board.

Before any applicant shall be eligible for [the examinations.] licensure, the applicant shall furnish satisfactory proof to the board that:

(1) The applicant is a graduate in podiatric medicine of a college approved by the Council on Podiatric Medical Education of the American Podiatric Medical Association and by the Hawaii medical board;
The applicant has taken and satisfactorily completed
in a college, a residence course of professional
instruction in podiatric medicine, which has been
approved by the board; and

The applicant is of demonstrated competence and
professional knowledge; and

(2) The applicant has completed at least twenty-four
months in an accredited podiatric residency, as
approved by the Council on Podiatric Medical
Education, prior to applying for licensure; provided
that an applicant who has graduated from an approved
college before January 1, 2004, shall:

(A) Have completed at least twelve months in an
accredited podiatric residency;

(B) Have at least ten years of active licensed
experience in podiatric medicine in another
state; and

(C) Hold a current, unencumbered license in podiatric
medicine in another state;

provided further that the residency and active
licensed experience requirements in this paragraph
shall not apply to podiatrists with current, active
licenses to practice podiatric medicine in Hawaii."

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2015.

APPROVED this 30 day of APR, 2014

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII