

AN ACT concerning regulation.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Registered Surgical Assistant and Registered Surgical Technologist Title Protection Act is amended by changing Sections 45 and 60 as follows:

(225 ILCS 130/45)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2024)

Sec. 45. Registration requirements; surgical assistant. A person shall qualify for registration as a surgical assistant if he or she has applied in writing on the prescribed form, has paid the required fees, and meets all of the following requirements:

(1) Is at least 21 years of age.

(2) Has not violated a provision of Section 75 of this Act. In addition the Department may take into consideration any felony conviction of the applicant, but a conviction shall not operate as an absolute bar to registration unless otherwise provided by law.

(3) Has completed a medical education program approved by the Department or has graduated from a United States Military Program that emphasizes surgical assisting.

(4) Has successfully completed a national certifying

examination approved by the Department.

(5) Is currently certified by the National Commission for the Certification of Surgical Assistants ~~National Surgical Assistant Association~~ as a Certified Surgical Assistant, the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting as a Certified Surgical First Assistant, or the American Board of Surgical Assistants as a Surgical Assistant-Certified.

(Source: P.A. 98-364, eff. 12-31-13.)

(225 ILCS 130/60)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2024)

Sec. 60. Expiration; restoration; renewal. In order to renew his or her surgical assistant registration, a registrant must maintain current certification as required by paragraph (5) of Section 45 of this Act. In order to renew his or her surgical technologist registration, a registrant must maintain current certification as required by paragraph (6) of Section 50 of this Act. The expiration date and renewal period for each certificate of registration issued under this Act shall be set by the Department by rule. Renewal shall be conditioned on paying the required fee and meeting other requirements as may be established by rule.

A registrant who has permitted his or her registration to expire or who has had his or her registration on inactive status may have the registration restored by making application

to the Department, by filing proof acceptable to the Department of his or her fitness to have the registration restored, and by paying the required fees. Proof of fitness may include sworn evidence certifying to active lawful practice in another jurisdiction.

If the registrant has not maintained an active practice in another jurisdiction satisfactory to the Department, the Department shall determine, by an evaluation program established by rule, his or her fitness for restoration of the registration and shall establish procedures and requirements for restoration. However, a registrant whose registration expired while he or she was (1) in federal service on active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States or the State Militia called into service or training or (2) in training or education under the supervision of the United States before induction into the military service, may have the registration restored without paying any lapsed renewal fees if within 2 years after honorable termination of the service, training, or education he or she furnishes the Department with satisfactory evidence to the effect that he or she has been so engaged and that his or her service, training, or education has been so terminated.

(Source: P.A. 93-280, eff. 7-1-04.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.