

By Senator Yarborough

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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to clinical laboratory personnel;
amending s. 483.815, F.S.; requiring that an applicant
who qualifies for licensure under specified provisions
provide proof of such qualification and pay the
required fees to be eligible for licensure; amending
s. 483.823, F.S.; requiring that applicants for
licensure as a technologist or technician who meet
specified criteria be deemed to have satisfied minimum
qualifications for licensure to perform high or
moderate complexity testing as a technologist or
technician, as applicable; providing an effective
date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 483.815, Florida Statutes, is amended to
read:

483.815 Application for clinical laboratory personnel
license.—

(1) An application for a clinical laboratory personnel
license must ~~shall~~ be made under oath on forms provided by the
department and must ~~shall~~ be accompanied by payment of fees as
provided by this part. Applicants for licensure must also submit
to background screening in accordance with s. 456.0135. A
license may be issued authorizing the performance of procedures
of one or more categories.

(2) An applicant who qualifies for licensure under s.
483.823(3) or (4) must provide proof of such qualification,

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submit to background screening in accordance with s. 456.0135,
and pay the fees required under s. 483.807 to be eligible for
licensure.

Section 2. Subsections (3) and (4) are added to section
483.823, Florida Statutes, to read:

483.823 Qualifications of clinical laboratory personnel.—

(3) Except as otherwise provided in s. 483.812, a
technologist or technician applicant for licensure who satisfies
the requirements in 42 C.F.R. s. 493.1489 to perform high
complexity testing is deemed to have satisfied the minimum
qualifications for licensure under this part to perform high
complexity testing as a technologist or technician in this
state.

(4) Except as otherwise provided in s. 483.812, a
technician applicant for licensure who satisfies the
requirements in 42 C.F.R. s. 493.1423 to perform moderate
complexity testing is deemed to have satisfied the minimum
qualifications for licensure under this part to perform moderate
complexity testing as a technician in this state.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.