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April 18, 2008

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on April 18, 2008, the following bill was signed into law:

HB3106

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GRADUATES OF FOREIGN ACUPUNCTURE PROGRAMS. (ACT 21)

Sincerely,

JAMES R. AIONA, JR. Acting Governor

## ACT 021 H.B. NO. 3106

### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO GRADUATES OF FOREIGN ACUPUNCTURE PROGRAMS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 436E-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:
- 3 "(d) Notwithstanding subsections (b) and (c), effective
- 4 September 1, 2000, before any applicant shall be eligible [for
- 5 the] to take the licensing examination, the applicant shall
- 6 furnish satisfactory proof to the board that the applicant has
- 7 completed a formal acupuncture program and has received a total
- 8 of [not less than] at least two thousand, one hundred seventy-
- 9 five hours of academic and clinical training consisting of an
- 10 academic program of [not less than] at least one thousand, five
- 11 hundred fifteen hours in the science of acupuncture (traditional
- 12 oriental medicine) and a clinical training program of [not less
- 13 than] at least six hundred sixty hours under the supervision of
- 14 a licensed acupuncturist, which shall result in the award of a
- 15 certificate or diploma [at]. For applicants who graduated from
- 16 an institute, school, or college[7] located in the United States
- or any territory under the jurisdiction of the United States,
- 18 the institute, school, or college shall be accredited or

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1	recognized as a candidate for accreditation by any acupuncture
2	or oriental medicine accrediting body recognized by the United
3	States Department of Education [or at]. For applicants who
4	graduated from a foreign institute, school, or college with a
5	formal program in the science of acupuncture, the applicant, at
6	the applicant's own expense, shall have the applicant's
7	transcripts and curriculum evaluated by a board approved and
8	designated professional evaluator who shall make a determination
9	whether the transcripts and curriculum are at least equivalent
10	to that of the United States accredited acupuncture program, and
11	that the foreign institute is licensed, approved, or accredited
12	by the appropriate governmental authority or an agency
13	recognized by a governmental authority in [that] the respective
14	foreign jurisdiction and whose curriculum is approved by the
15	board."
16	SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
17	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
18	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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20	INTRODUCED BY: White
21	BY REQUEST
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APPROVED this 18 day of

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII