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Present law, relative to chiropractors, requires that the La. Board of Chiropractic Examiners adopt and promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with law providing for approval of continuing education programs provided for in R.S. 37:2810. Prohibits board from engaging in the production of such continuing education programs.

Present law provides that each license to practice chiropractic in this state shall be renewed annually on or before December 31st of each year, upon payment of the prescribed renewal fee and the presentation to the board of a certificate or certificates attesting to satisfactory attendance of an educational program or programs totaling 12 hours of classroom instruction which have been approved for continuing education credit by the board.

Present law provides that in 1992 and each even-numbered year thereafter, in addition to the annual requirement of 12 hours of continuing education, each applicant for license renewal shall submit proof of attendance of an education program or programs totaling six hours of classroom instruction in the subject of risk management.

Proposed law increases the annual continuing education requirements from 12 to 13 hours, including one hour of ethics training.

Present law provides that, for good and reasonable cause, the board may waive the educational requirements and/or renewal fee requirements. Proposed law provides that the board may not waive the requirement of one hour of ethics training.

Present law provides that a person licensed by present law may be granted an inactive status by submitting a written request to the board and paying the inactive renewal license fee. Provides that such a person may retain his current license but shall continue to meet all educational requirements for license renewal and shall not be entitled to practice chiropractic.

Present law provides that any person in an inactive status may be granted active status by submitting a written request to the board and satisfactory proof of the following:

- (1) 12 hours of continuing education annually.
- (2) Payment of annual inactive renewal fees.
- (3) Payment of active license fee.
- (4) Payment of reinstatement fee.

Proposed law increases the number of hours of continuing education required from 12 to 13 and requires one hour of ethics.

Effective August 1, 2017.

(Amends R.S. 37:2810(A) and (C)(2)(a))