

CHAPTER 104

AN ACT concerning public accountancy and amending P.L.1997, c.259.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. Section 8 of P.L.1997, c.259 (C.45:2B-49) is amended to read as follows:

C.45:2B-49 Application for licensure requirements.

8. Every applicant for examination for licensure as a certified public accountant shall present to the board a written application on a form to be provided by the board, together with the required fee, and satisfactory proof of the following:

- a. That the applicant is at least 18 years of age;
- b. That the applicant is of good moral character; and
- c. That the applicant has at least 120 semester hours of education, including a baccalaureate or higher degree or its equivalent, from an institution of higher education accredited by a regional accrediting agency recognized by the Commission on Higher Education, except that no applicant shall be issued a license unless he has successfully completed at least 150 hours of education. The educational program shall include a concentration in accounting or its equivalent and related professional courses as determined by regulation of the board.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved June 27, 2005.