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Introduced by
Representatives Thorpe, Stevens: Livingston, Townsend, Senator Crandell

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 12, CHAPTER 5.1, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY
ADDING SECTION 12-567; RELATING TO HEALTH CARE ACTIONS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Title 12, chapter 5.1, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes,
3 is amended by adding section 12-567, to read:

4 12-567. Required certification for medical malpractice actions:
5 supreme court training and certification

6 A. AN ATTORNEY SHALL NOT FILE A MEDICAL MALPRACTICE ACTION PURSUANT TO
7 THIS CHAPTER UNLESS THE SUPREME COURT CERTIFIES THE ATTORNEY AS A MEDICAL
8 MALPRACTICE ATTORNEY. A JUDGE SHALL NOT MAKE A SUBSTANTIVE RULING IN A
9 MEDICAL MALPRACTICE ACTION UNLESS THE SUPREME COURT CERTIFIES THE JUDGE AS A
10 MEDICAL MALPRACTICE ATTORNEY.

11 B. THE SUPREME COURT SHALL ESTABLISH A MEDICAL MALPRACTICE TRAINING
12 AND CERTIFICATION PROGRAM FOR ATTORNEYS. THE TRAINING SHALL INCLUDE THE
13 COURSES OF STUDY THAT THE SUPREME COURT DEEMS NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE.