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3 **Title: F-1 Graduated Medical Students and H-1B Visas**
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9 **Referred to: Reference Committee E**
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11 **House Action: Referred to Board for Study**
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14 **Whereas, a J-1 visa is usually issued for foreign medical graduates (FMGs)**
15 **and requires the Educational Commission on Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG)**
16 **certificate approving their international medical diplomas, and**
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18 **Whereas, international students who have F-1 visa status and are enrolled at**
19 **the US medical schools graduate without an international diploma, and**
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21 **Whereas, the J-1 visa requires the students go back to their original**
22 **countries for two years or serve in an underserved areas in the United States (U.S.),**
23 **and**
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25 **Whereas, some international students enrolled at U.S. medical schools may**
26 **not be able to go back to their original countries, and**
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28 **Whereas, the international students enrolled at U.S. medical schools may**
29 **have been subsidized by the U.S., and**
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31 **Whereas, it is an unusual burden for international students enrolled at U.S.**
32 **medical schools to obtain a J-1 visa after graduation, and**
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34 **Whereas, there is an option of obtaining an H-1B visa that eliminates all the**
35 **burdens and offers the H-1B visa holders the possibility of staying in the U.S. after**
36 **finishing residency, and**
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38 **Whereas, training sites have the option of choosing H-1B visa but choose**
39 **the J-1 over the H-1B due to its expenses, and**
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41 **Whereas, the number of international students enrolled at U.S. medical**
42 **schools is very limited; therefore be it**
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44 **RESOLVED: That our AMA work with the appropriate governmental**
45 **authorities to allow all F-1 graduated medical students to obtain an H-1B visa**
46 **during their residencies and mandate all training sites to do the same.**
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49 **WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE**