MEDICAL BOARD STAFF REPORT

DATE REPORT ISSUED: January 14, 2009
DEPARTMENT: Licensing Program
SUBJECT: Special Program Proposed Regulation Changes
STAFF CONTACT: Deborah Pellegrini

<u>REQUESTED ACTION</u>: Approve a request to proceed with developing proposed regulatory language to implement section 2113(e) of the California Business and Professions (B&P) Code by defining an appropriate minimum level of clinical activities that the Board may accept as qualifying time to meet the postgraduate training requirement for licensure.

<u>STAFF RECOMMENDATION</u>:
Staff plans to solicit information from the Board consultant, members of the Special Programs and Application Review Committees, legal counsel and interested parties to define what minimum percentage of clinical activities would be required for registrants pursuant to B&P Code section 2113 who plan to seek California medical licensure and who wish to have their time spent as a registrant count toward the required postgraduate training.

<u>EXECUTIVE SUMMARY</u>:
At the November 2008 meeting of the Application Review Committee, the members reviewed an application to determine whether a registrant completed a sufficient amount of clinical activity within the designated faculty service to meet the postgraduate training requirements necessary for medical licensure set forth in B&P Code section 2102. In reviewing this application, the members noted that no regulatory guidance is available to assist in the decision-making process. Dr. Gitnick requested that staff bring a request to the January 2009 meeting of the Application Review Committee, so it could make a recommendation that the Board seek approval to begin the process to amend the identified regulation.

<u>FISCAL CONSIDERATIONS</u>:
None.

<u>PREVIOUS MBC AND/OR COMMITTEE ACTION</u>:
At the November 2008 meeting of the Application Review Committee, Dr. Gitnick instructed that staff bring a request to the January 2009 Committee meeting to discuss seeking Board approval to begin the regulation process.