

# VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2021 SPECIAL SESSION I

## CHAPTER 230

*An Act to amend and reenact § 54.1-2956.12 of the Code of Virginia, relating to surgical technologist; certification; use of title.*

[H 2220]

Approved March 18, 2021

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That § 54.1-2956.12 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

**§ 54.1-2956.12. Registered surgical technologist; use of title; registration.**

A. No person shall *hold himself out to be a surgical technologist* or use or assume the title "~~registered surgical technologist~~" of "*surgical technologist*" or "*certified surgical technologist*," or use the designation "*C.S.T.*" or "*S.T.*" or any variation thereof, unless such person ~~is registered with~~ *is certified* by the Board.

B. The Board shall ~~register~~ *certify* as a ~~registered~~ surgical technologist any applicant who presents satisfactory evidence that he (i) *has successfully completed an accredited surgical technologist training program* and holds a current credential as a certified surgical technologist from the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting or its successor, (ii) has successfully completed a *training program for surgical technologist training program technology* during the person's service as a member of any branch of the armed forces of the United States, or (iii) has practiced as a surgical technologist at any time in the six months prior to July 1, ~~2014~~ *2021*, provided he registers with the Board by December 31, ~~2016~~ *2021*.