

HB 516 -- INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT

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This bill adopts the "Interstate Medical Licensure Compact". The Compact allows a physician who meets the eligibility requirements to receive an expedited license. The state must perform a criminal background check on an applicant and the state cannot require any additional verification beyond primary-source verification of medical education or results of medical or licensing examinations.

A physician may renew his or her expedited license as a member of the Compact.

The Compact establishes a confidential database of all physicians who have been granted an expedited license or who have applied for an expedited license, for the purpose of allowing member states to report disciplinary or investigatory information.

Member states may participate in joint investigations of physicians with other member states, and any disciplinary action taken by one member state may subject the physician to discipline with other member states. If a physician's license is revoked, surrendered, or relinquished in one state, it shall automatically be placed on the same status in the other member states.

The Compact establishes the "Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Commission" to act as a corporate and joint agency of the member states and to oversee and maintain administration of the Compact.

The Compact outlines procedures for any member state who fails to perform its obligations of the Compact.

The Compact will only be effective once seven states have enacted legislation to join the Compact.

The Compact outlines the procedure to withdraw from the Compact. The Compact supercedes all other laws that conflict with provisions of the Compact.

This bill is the same as HB 2256 (2020).