

SENATE BILL 1020

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CF HB 998

By: **Senator Pugh**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Physicians – ~~Authority to Adopt Regulations~~ – Physician**
3 **Licensing Reciprocity**

4 FOR the purpose of ~~authorizing the State Board of Physicians to adopt regulations that~~
5 ~~would allow the Board to license an applicant who is licensed as a physician in~~
6 ~~another state if the applicant meets certain qualification and licensing requirements~~
7 ~~and the state in which the applicant is licensed offers a certain reciprocal licensing~~
8 ~~process; and generally relating to physician licensing reciprocity under the State~~
9 ~~Board of Physicians~~ requiring the State Board of Physicians to license certain
10 applicants to practice medicine under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to
11 adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to reciprocal licensure for
12 physicians.

13 BY adding to

14 Article – Health Occupations

15 Section 14–307(j)

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

19 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article – Health Occupations**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 14-307.

2 **(J) (1) THE BOARD SHALL LICENSE AN APPLICANT TO PRACTICE**
 3 **MEDICINE IF:**

4 **(I) THE APPLICANT:**

5 **1. BECAME LICENSED OR CERTIFIED AS A PHYSICIAN IN**
 6 **ANOTHER JURISDICTION UNDER REQUIREMENTS THAT THE BOARD DETERMINES**
 7 **ARE SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT TO THE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS OF THIS**
 8 **TITLE;**

9 **2. IS IN GOOD STANDING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE**
 10 **OTHER JURISDICTION;**

11 **3. SUBMITS AN APPLICATION TO THE BOARD ON A FORM**
 12 **THAT THE BOARD REQUIRES; AND**

13 **4. PAYS TO THE BOARD AN APPLICATION FEE SET BY**
 14 **THE BOARD; AND**

15 **(II) THE JURISDICTION IN WHICH THE APPLICANT IS LICENSED**
 16 **OR CERTIFIED OFFERS A SIMILAR RECIPROCAL LICENSING PROCESS FOR**
 17 **INDIVIDUALS LICENSED TO PRACTICE MEDICINE BY THE BOARD.**

18 **(2) THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THIS**
 19 **SUBSECTION.**

20 ~~**(J) THE BOARD MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO LICENSE AN APPLICANT WHO**~~
 21 ~~**IS LICENSED AS A PHYSICIAN IN ANOTHER STATE IF:**~~

22 ~~**(1) THE APPLICANT:**~~

23 ~~**(i) MEETS THE QUALIFICATIONS OTHERWISE REQUIRED BY**~~
 24 ~~**THIS TITLE; AND**~~

25 ~~**(ii) BECAME LICENSED IN THE OTHER STATE UNDER**~~
 26 ~~**REQUIREMENTS SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT TO THE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS**~~
 27 ~~**OF THIS TITLE; AND**~~

28 ~~**(2) THE STATE IN WHICH THE APPLICANT IS LICENSED OFFERS A**~~
 29 ~~**SIMILAR RECIPROCAL LICENSING PROCESS FOR INDIVIDUALS LICENSED AS**~~
 30 ~~**PHYSICIANS BY THE BOARD.**~~

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 October 1, 2016.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.