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SYNOPSIS

Requires provision of certain information on License Verification System concerning health care professionals.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 **AN ACT** concerning health care professionals and supplementing
2 P.L.2002, c.104 (C.45:1-28 et seq.).

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. a. The director shall provide a full background with links to
8 supporting documents on the web-based License Verification
9 System maintained by the Division of Consumer Affairs for any
10 health care professional whose license may be verified through use
11 of that system. The background information shall include, but need
12 not be limited to, the following information:

13 (1) any professional discipline by a professional or occupational
14 licensing board within the division that regulates the practice of a
15 health care professional in this State or any other state;

16 (2) any malpractice claim, settlement, or judgment against the
17 professional;

18 (3) any loss of hospital privileges;

19 (4) any criminal convictions;

20 (5) any Medicaid or Medicare exclusions pursuant to 42 U.S.C.
21 s.1320a-7;

22 (6) any actions taken against the professional by federal
23 regulators, including but not limited to, the U.S. Food and Drug
24 Administration and the Drug Enforcement Agency; and

25 (7) any other information as determined by the director pursuant
26 to regulation.

27 b. A professional or occupational licensing board within the
28 division that regulates the practice of a health care professional
29 shall report to the director any information relevant to the web-
30 based background information established pursuant to subsection a.
31 of this section.

32 c. The director shall promulgate rules and regulations in
33 accordance with the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968,
34 c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.) to effectuate the purposes of this act.

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36 2. This act shall take effect on the 90th day next following the
37 date of enactment.

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STATEMENT

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42 This bill requires the Director of the Division of Consumer
43 Affairs to provide certain information concerning health care
44 professionals on the License Verification System maintained by the
45 division for any health care professional whose license may be
46 verified through use of that system.

47 The bill provides that the background information must include,
48 but need not be limited to, the following information:

- 1 (1) any professional discipline by a health care professional
- 2 board in this State or any other state;
- 3 (2) any malpractice claim, settlement, or judgment against the
- 4 professional;
- 5 (3) any loss of hospital privileges;
- 6 (4) any criminal convictions;
- 7 (5) any Medicaid or Medicare exclusions pursuant to 42 U.S.C.
- 8 s.1320a-7;
- 9 (6) any actions taken against the professional by federal
- 10 regulators; and
- 11 (7) any other information as determined by the director pursuant
- 12 to regulation.
- 13 The bill also requires the professional licensing boards that
- 14 regulate the practice of health care professionals to report to the
- 15 director any information relevant to the web-based background
- 16 information required to be provided pursuant to the bill.