

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 HB3139

Introduced 2/19/2021, by Rep. Anna Moeller

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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Amends the Medical Practice Act of 1987. Creates the Illinois State Medical Board to carry out the duties of the Medical Disciplinary Board and the Medical Licensing Board under the Act (and makes conforming changes). Provides for membership of the Illinois State Medical Board. Provides that all members of the Medical Licensing Board and the Medical Disciplinary Board shall serve as members of the Medical Board. Requires that a majority of the Illinois State Medical Board members shall be appointed within 260 days after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Repeals provisions concerning the Medical Licensing Board and Medical Disciplinary Board one year after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Provides that the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may close a complaint, after investigation and approval of the Chief Medical Coordinator, if certain standards are not met. Makes changes to provisions concerning definitions; withdrawal of applications; the Complaint Committee; findings and recommendations; and administrative review. Makes other changes.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY 1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Medical Practice Act of 1987 is amended by changing Sections 2, 7, 7.5, 8, 8.1, 9, 9.3, 17, 18, 19, 21,
- 6 22, 23, 24, 25, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 44, and 47 and
- 7 by adding Sections 7.1 and 7.2 as follows:
- 8 (225 ILCS 60/2) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-2)
- 9 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 10 Sec. 2. Definitions. For purposes of this Act, the
- 11 following definitions shall have the following meanings,
- 12 except where the context requires otherwise:
- 13 "Act" means the Medical Practice Act of 1987.
- 14 "Address of record" means the designated address recorded
- by the Department in the applicant's or licensee's application
- 16 file or license file as maintained by the Department's
- 17 licensure maintenance unit.
- "Chiropractic physician" means a person licensed to treat
- 19 human ailments without the use of drugs and without operative
- 20 surgery. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prohibit a
- 21 chiropractic physician from providing advice regarding the use
- 22 of non-prescription products or from administering atmospheric
- 23 oxygen. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to authorize a

- 1 chiropractic physician to prescribe drugs.
- 2 "Department" means the Department of Financial and
- 3 Professional Regulation.
- 4 "Disciplinary action" means revocation, suspension,
- 5 probation, supervision, practice modification, reprimand,
- 6 required education, fines or any other action taken by the
- 7 Department against a person holding a license.

8 "Disciplinary Board" means the Medical Disciplinary Board.

- 9 "Email address of record" means the designated email
- 10 address recorded by the Department in the applicant's
- 11 application file or the licensee's license file, as maintained
- by the Department's licensure maintenance unit.
- "Final determination" means the governing body's final
- 14 action taken under the procedure followed by a health care
- 15 institution, or professional association or society, against
- 16 any person licensed under the Act in accordance with the
- 17 bylaws or rules and regulations of such health care
- 18 institution, or professional association or society.
- "Fund" means the Illinois State Medical Disciplinary Fund.
- "Impaired" means the inability to practice medicine with
- 21 reasonable skill and safety due to physical or mental
- 22 disabilities as evidenced by a written determination or
- 23 written consent based on clinical evidence including
- 24 deterioration through the aging process or loss of motor
- 25 skill, or abuse of drugs or alcohol, of sufficient degree to
- diminish a person's ability to deliver competent patient care.

- 1 "Licensing Board" means the Medical Licensing Board.
- 2 "Medical Board" means the Illinois State Medical Board.
- 3 "Physician" means a person licensed under the Medical 4 Practice Act to practice medicine in all of its branches or a
- 5 chiropractic physician.
- 6 "Professional association" means an association or society
- of persons licensed under this Act, and operating within the
- 8 State of Illinois, including but not limited to, medical
- 9 societies, osteopathic organizations, and chiropractic
- 10 organizations, but this term shall not be deemed to include
- 11 hospital medical staffs.
- "Program of care, counseling, or treatment" means a
- written schedule of organized treatment, care, counseling,
- 14 activities, or education, satisfactory to the Medical
- 15 Disciplinary Board, designed for the purpose of restoring an
- impaired person to a condition whereby the impaired person can
- 17 practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety of a
- 18 sufficient degree to deliver competent patient care.
- "Reinstate" means to change the status of a license from
- 20 inactive or nonrenewed status to active status.
- "Restore" means to remove an encumbrance from a license
- due to probation, suspension, or revocation.
- "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Department of
- 24 Financial and Professional Regulation.
- 25 (Source: P.A. 99-933, eff. 1-27-17; 100-429, eff. 8-25-17.)

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- 1 (225 ILCS 60/7) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-7)
- 2 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 3 Sec. 7. Medical Disciplinary Board.
- (A) There is hereby created the Illinois State Medical 5 Disciplinary Board. The Disciplinary Board shall consist of 11 members, to be appointed by the Governor by and with the advice 6 7 and consent of the Senate. All members shall be residents of the State, not more than 6 of whom shall be members of the same 8 9 political party. All members shall be voting members. Five 10 members shall be physicians licensed to practice medicine in 11 all of its branches in Illinois possessing the degree of 12 doctor of medicine. One member shall be a physician licensed practice medicine in all its branches in 13 14 possessing the degree of doctor of osteopathy or osteopathic 15 medicine. One member shall be a chiropractic physician 16 licensed to practice in Illinois and possessing the degree of 17 doctor of chiropractic. Four members shall be members of the public, who shall not be engaged in any way, directly or 18 19 indirectly, as providers of health care.
 - (B) Members of the Disciplinary Board shall be appointed for terms of 4 years. Upon the expiration of the term of any member, their successor shall be appointed for a term of 4 years by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Governor shall fill any vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term with the advice and consent of the Senate. Upon recommendation of the Board, any member of the

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- Disciplinary Board may be removed by the Governor for misfeasance, malfeasance, or wilful neglect of duty, after notice, and a public hearing, unless such notice and hearing shall be expressly waived in writing. Each member shall serve on the Disciplinary Board until their successor is appointed and qualified. No member of the Disciplinary Board shall serve more than 2 consecutive 4 year terms.
- In making appointments the Governor shall attempt to insure that the various social and geographic regions of the State of Illinois are properly represented.
 - In making the designation of persons to act for the several professions represented on the Disciplinary Board, the Governor shall give due consideration to recommendations by members of the respective professions and by organizations therein.
 - (C) The Disciplinary Board shall annually elect one of its voting members as chairperson and one as vice chairperson. No officer shall be elected more than twice in succession to the same office. Each officer shall serve until their successor has been elected and qualified.
- 21 (D) (Blank).
- (E) Six voting members of the Disciplinary Board, at least
 4 of whom are physicians, shall constitute a quorum. A vacancy
 in the membership of the Disciplinary Board shall not impair
 the right of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform
 all the duties of the Disciplinary Board. Any action taken by

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- the Disciplinary Board under this Act may be authorized by resolution at any regular or special meeting and each such resolution shall take effect immediately. The Disciplinary Board shall meet at least quarterly.
 - (F) Each member, and member-officer, of the Disciplinary Board shall receive a per diem stipend as the Secretary shall determine. Each member shall be paid their necessary expenses while engaged in the performance of their duties.
 - (G) The Secretary shall select a Chief Medical Coordinator and not less than 2 Deputy Medical Coordinators who shall not be members of the Disciplinary Board. Each medical coordinator shall be a physician licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches, and the Secretary shall set their rates of compensation. The Secretary shall assign at least one medical coordinator to a region composed of Cook County and such other counties as the Secretary may deem appropriate, and such medical coordinator or coordinators shall locate their office in Chicago. The Secretary shall assign at least one medical coordinator to a region composed of the balance of counties in the State, and such medical coordinator or coordinators shall locate their office in Springfield. The Chief Medical Coordinator shall be the chief enforcement officer of this Act. None of the functions, powers, or duties of Department with respect to policies regarding enforcement or discipline under this Act, including the adoption of such rules as may be necessary for the administration of this Act,

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shall be exercised by the Department except upon review of the Disciplinary Board.

The Secretary shall employ, in conformity with the Personnel Code, investigators who are college graduates with at least 2 years of investigative experience or one year of advanced medical education. Upon the written request of the Disciplinary Board, the Secretary shall employ, in conformity with the Personnel Code, such other professional, technical, investigative, and clerical help, either on a full or part-time basis as the Disciplinary Board deems necessary for the proper performance of its duties.

- (H) Upon the specific request of the Disciplinary Board, signed by either the chairperson, vice chairperson, or a medical coordinator of the Disciplinary Board, the Department of Human Services, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, the Department of State Police, or any other law enforcement agency located in this State shall make available any and all information that they have in their possession regarding a particular case then under investigation by the Disciplinary Board.
- 21 (I) Members of the Disciplinary Board shall be immune from 22 suit in any action based upon any disciplinary proceedings or 23 other acts performed in good faith as members of the 24 Disciplinary Board.
- 25 (J) The Disciplinary Board may compile and establish a 26 statewide roster of physicians and other medical

professionals, including the several medical specialties, of 1 2 such physicians and medical professionals, who have agreed to serve from time to time as advisors to 3 the medical coordinators. Such advisors shall assist the medical 4 5 coordinators or the Disciplinary Board in their investigations and participation in complaints against physicians. Such 6 7 advisors shall serve under contract and shall be reimbursed at a reasonable rate for the services provided, plus reasonable 8 9 expenses incurred. While serving in this capacity, the 10 advisor, for any act undertaken in good faith and in the 11 conduct of his or her duties under this Section, shall be 12 immune from civil suit.

- 13 <u>(K) This Section is inoperative when a majority of the</u>
 14 <u>Medical Board is appointed. This Section is repealed one year</u>
 15 <u>after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 102nd</u>
 16 General Assembly.
- 17 (Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11; 98-1140, eff. 12-30-14.)
- 18 (225 ILCS 60/7.1 new)
- 19 Sec. 7.1. Medical Board.
- 20 (A) There is hereby created the Illinois State Medical
 21 Board. The Medical Board shall consist of 17 members, to be
 22 appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of
 23 the Senate. All members shall be residents of the State, not
 24 more than 8 of whom shall be members of the same political
 25 party. All members shall be voting members. Eight members

shall be physicians licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches in Illinois possessing the degree of doctor of medicine. Two members shall be physicians licensed to practice medicine in all its branches in Illinois possessing the degree of doctor of osteopathy or osteopathic medicine. Two of the physician members shall be physicians who collaborate with physician assistants. Two members shall be chiropractic physicians licensed to practice in Illinois and possessing the degree of doctor of chiropractic. Two members shall be physician assistants licensed to practice in Illinois. Three members shall be members of the public, who shall not be engaged in any way, directly or indirectly, as providers of health care.

(B) Members of the Medical Board shall be appointed for terms of 4 years. Upon the expiration of the term of any member, their successor shall be appointed for a term of 4 years by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Governor shall fill any vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term with the advice and consent of the Senate. Upon recommendation of the Medical Board, any member of the Medical Board may be removed by the Governor for misfeasance, malfeasance, or willful neglect of duty, after notice, and a public hearing, unless such notice and hearing shall be expressly waived in writing. Each member shall serve on the Medical Board until their successor is appointed and qualified. No member of the Medical Board shall serve more

- 1 than 2 consecutive 4-year terms.
- 2 <u>In making appointments the Governor shall attempt to</u>
- 3 <u>ensure that the various social and geographic regions of the</u>
- 4 State of Illinois are properly represented.
- 5 In making the designation of persons to act for the
- 6 several professions represented on the Medical Board, the
- 7 Governor shall give due consideration to recommendations by
- 8 members of the respective professions and by organizations
- 9 therein.
- 10 (C) The Medical Board shall annually elect one of its
- 11 voting members as chairperson and one as vice chairperson. No
- officer shall be elected more than twice in succession to the
- same office. Each officer shall serve until their successor
- has been elected and qualified.
- 15 (D) A majority of the Medical Board members currently
- 16 appointed shall constitute a quorum. A vacancy in the
- 17 membership of the Medical Board shall not impair the right of a
- 18 quorum to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of
- 19 the Medical Board. Any action taken by the Medical Board under
- 20 this Act may be authorized by resolution at any regular or
- 21 special meeting and each such resolution shall take effect
- 22 immediately. The Medical Board shall meet at least quarterly.
- (E) Each member shall be paid their necessary expenses
- 24 while engaged in the performance of their duties.
- 25 <u>(F) The Secretary shall select a Chief Medical Coordinator</u>
- and not less than 2 Deputy Medical Coordinators who shall not

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be members of the Medical Board. Each medical coordinator shall be a physician licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches, and the Secretary shall set their rates of compensation. The Secretary shall assign at least one medical coordinator to a region composed of Cook County and such other counties as the Secretary may deem appropriate, and such medical coordinator or coordinators shall locate their office in Chicago. The Secretary shall assign at least one medical coordinator to a region composed of the balance of counties in the State, and such medical coordinator or coordinators shall locate their office in Springfield. The Chief Medical Coordinator shall be the chief enforcement officer of this Act. None of the functions, powers, or duties of the Department with respect to policies regarding enforcement or discipline under this Act, including the adoption of such rules as may be necessary for the administration of this Act, shall be exercised by the Department except upon review of the Medical Board.

(G) The Secretary shall employ, in conformity with the Personnel Code, investigators who are college graduates with at least 2 years of investigative experience or one year of advanced medical education. Upon the written request of the Medical Board, the Secretary shall employ, in conformity with the Personnel Code, such other professional, technical, investigative, and clerical help, either on a full or part-time basis as the Medical Board deems necessary for the

proper performance of its duties.

- (H) Upon the specific request of the Medical Board, signed by either the chairperson, vice chairperson, or a medical coordinator of the Medical Board, the Department of Human Services, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, the Department of State Police, or any other law enforcement agency located in this State shall make available any and all information that they have in their possession regarding a particular case then under investigation by the Medical Board.
- (I) Members of the Medical Board shall be immune from suit in any action based upon any disciplinary proceedings or other acts performed in good faith as members of the Medical Board.
- statewide roster of physicians and other medical professionals, including the several medical specialties, of such physicians and medical professionals, who have agreed to serve from time to time as advisors to the medical coordinators. Such advisors shall assist the medical coordinators or the Medical Board in their investigations and participation in complaints against physicians. Such advisors shall serve under contract and shall be reimbursed at a reasonable rate for the services provided, plus reasonable expenses incurred. While serving in this capacity, the advisor, for any act undertaken in good faith and in the conduct of his or her duties under this Section, shall be immune from civil suit.

1 (225 ILCS 60/7.2 new)

Sec. 7.2. Medical Board appointment. All members of the Medical Licensing Board and the Medical Disciplinary Board shall serve as members of the Medical Board. A majority of the Medical Board members shall be appointed within 260 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly. The Medical Licensing Board and Medical Disciplinary Board shall exercise all functions, powers, and duties enumerated in this Act to the Medical Board. All functions, powers, and duties enumerated in this Act to the Medical Licensing Board and Medical Disciplinary Board shall dissolve at such time when a majority of the Medical Board is appointed. This Section is repealed one year after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly.

15 (225 ILCS 60/7.5)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)

17 Sec. 7.5. Complaint Committee.

Disciplinary Board composed of at least one of the Medical coordinators established by subsection (G) of Section 7 of this Act, the Chief of Medical Investigations (person employed by the Department who is in charge of investigating complaints against physicians and physician assistants), the Chief of Medical Prosecutions (the person employed by the Department

- who is in charge of prosecuting formal complaints against
 physicians and physician assistants), and at least 3 members
 of the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board (at least 2 of whom shall be
 physicians) designated by the Chairperson of the <u>Medical</u>
 <u>Disciplinary</u> Board with the approval of the <u>Medical</u>
 <u>Disciplinary</u> Board.
 - (b) The Complaint Committee shall meet at least twice a month to exercise its functions and duties set forth in subsection (c) below. At least 2 members of the Medical Disciplinary Board shall be in attendance in order for any business to be transacted by the Complaint Committee. The Complaint Committee shall make every effort to consider expeditiously and take prompt action on each item on its agenda.
 - (c) The Complaint Committee shall have the following duties and functions:
 - (1) To recommend to the <u>Medical</u> Disciplinary Board that a complaint file be closed.
 - (2) To refer a complaint file to the office of the Chief of Medical Prosecutions for review.
 - (3) To make a decision in conjunction with the Chief of Medical Prosecutions regarding action to be taken on a complaint file.
 - (d) In determining what action to take or whether to proceed with prosecution of a complaint, the Complaint Committee shall consider, but not be limited to, the following

- 1 factors: sufficiency of the evidence presented, prosecutorial
- 2 merit under Section 22 of this Act, any recommendation made by
- 3 the Department, and insufficient cooperation from complaining
- 4 parties.
- 5 (e) Notwithstanding any provision of this Act, the
- 6 Department may close a complaint, after investigation and
- 7 approval of the Chief Medical Coordinator without review of
- 8 the Complaint Committee, in which the allegations of the
- 9 complaint if proven would not constitute a violation of the
- 10 Act, there is insufficient evidence to prove a violation of
- 11 the Act, or there is insufficient cooperation from complaining
- parties, as determined by the Department.
- 13 (Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11; 98-1140, eff. 12-30-14.)
- 14 (225 ILCS 60/8) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-8)
- 15 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 16 Sec. 8. Medical Licensing Board.
- 17 (A) There is hereby created a Medical Licensing Board. The
- 18 Licensing Board shall be composed of 7 members, to be
- 19 appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of
- the Senate; 5 of whom shall be reputable physicians licensed
- 21 to practice medicine in all of its branches in Illinois,
- 22 possessing the degree of doctor of medicine; one member shall
- 23 be a reputable physician licensed in Illinois to practice
- 24 medicine in all of its branches, possessing the degree of
- doctor of osteopathy or osteopathic medicine; and one member

- shall be a reputable chiropractic physician licensed to practice in Illinois and possessing the degree of doctor of chiropractic. Of the 5 members holding the degree of doctor of medicine, one shall be a full-time or part-time teacher of professorial rank in the clinical department of an Illinois school of medicine.
 - (B) Members of the Licensing Board shall be appointed for terms of 4 years, and until their successors are appointed and qualified. Appointments to fill vacancies shall be made in the same manner as original appointments, for the unexpired portion of the vacated term. No more than 4 members of the Licensing Board shall be members of the same political party and all members shall be residents of this State. No member of the Licensing Board may be appointed to more than 2 successive 4 year terms.
 - (C) Members of the Licensing Board shall be immune from suit in any action based upon any licensing proceedings or other acts performed in good faith as members of the Licensing Board.
- 20 (D) (Blank).
 - (E) The Licensing Board shall annually elect one of its members as chairperson and one as vice chairperson. No member shall be elected more than twice in succession to the same office. Each officer shall serve until his or her successor has been elected and qualified.
- 26 (F) None of the functions, powers or duties of the

- 1 Department with respect to policies regarding licensure and
- 2 examination under this Act, including the promulgation of such
- 3 rules as may be necessary for the administration of this Act,
- 4 shall be exercised by the Department except upon review of the
- 5 Licensing Board.
- 6 (G) The Licensing Board shall receive the same
- 7 compensation as the members of the Disciplinary Board, which
- 8 compensation shall be paid out of the Illinois State Medical
- 9 Disciplinary Fund.
- 10 (H) This Section is inoperative when a majority of the
- 11 Medical Board is appointed. This Section is repealed one year
- 12 after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 102nd
- 13 General Assembly.
- 14 (Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11.)
- 15 (225 ILCS 60/8.1)
- 16 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 17 Sec. 8.1. Matters concerning advanced practice registered
- 18 nurses. Any proposed rules, amendments, second notice
- 19 materials and adopted rule or amendment materials, and policy
- 20 statements concerning advanced practice registered nurses
- 21 shall be presented to the Medical Licensing Board for review
- and comment. The recommendations of both the Board of Nursing
- 23 and the Medical Licensing Board shall be presented to the
- 24 Secretary for consideration in making final decisions.
- 25 Whenever the Board of Nursing and the Medical Licensing Board

- disagree on a proposed rule or policy, the Secretary shall
- 2 convene a joint meeting of the officers of each Board to
- discuss the resolution of any such disagreements.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 100-513, eff. 1-1-18.)
- 5 (225 ILCS 60/9) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-9)
- 6 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 7 Sec. 9. Application for license. Each applicant for a
- 8 license shall:

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- 9 (A) Make application on blank forms prepared and furnished by the Department.
- 11 (B) Submit evidence satisfactory to the Department 12 that the applicant:
- (1) is of good moral character. In determining 13 14 moral character under this Section, the Department may 15 take into consideration whether the applicant has engaged in conduct or activities which would 16 constitute grounds for discipline under this Act. The 17 Department may also request the applicant to submit, 18 and may consider as evidence of moral character, 19 20 endorsements from 2 or 3 individuals licensed under 21 this Act;
 - (2) has the preliminary and professional education required by this Act;
 - (3) (blank); and
 - (4) is physically, mentally, and professionally

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of practicing medicine with reasonable capable judgment, skill, and safety. In determining physical and mental capacity under this Section, the Medical Licensing Board may, upon a showing of a possible incapacity or conduct or activities that constitute grounds for discipline under this Act, compel any applicant to submit to a mental or physical examination and evaluation, or both, as provided for in Section 22 of this Act. The Medical Licensing Board may condition or restrict any license, subject to the same terms and conditions as are provided for the Medical Disciplinary Board under Section 22 of this Act. Any such condition of a restricted license shall provide that the Chief Medical Coordinator or Deputy Medical Coordinator shall have the authority to review the subject physician's compliance with such restrictions, including, conditions or where appropriate, the physician's record of treatment and counseling regarding the impairment, to the extent permitted by applicable federal statutes and regulations safeguarding the confidentiality medical records of patients.

In determining professional capacity under this Section, an individual may be required to complete such additional testing, training, or remedial education as the Medical Licensing Board may deem necessary in order to

establish the applicant's present capacity to practice												
medicine with reasonable judgment, skill, and safety. The												
Medical Licensing Board may consider the following												
criteria, as they relate to an applicant, as part of its												
determination of professional capacity:												

- (1) Medical research in an established research facility, hospital, college or university, or private corporation.
 - (2) Specialized training or education.
- (3) Publication of original work in learned, medical, or scientific journals.
- (4) Participation in federal, State, local, or international public health programs or organizations.
- (5) Professional service in a federal veterans or military institution.
- (6) Any other professional activities deemed to maintain and enhance the clinical capabilities of the applicant.

Any applicant applying for a license to practice medicine in all of its branches or for a license as a chiropractic physician who has not been engaged in the active practice of medicine or has not been enrolled in a medical program for 2 years prior to application must submit proof of professional capacity to the Medical Licensing Board.

Any applicant applying for a temporary license that

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- has not been engaged in the active practice of medicine or has not been enrolled in a medical program for longer than years prior to application must submit proof of professional capacity to the Medical Licensing Board.
 - (C) Designate specifically the name, location, and kind of professional school, college, or institution of which the applicant is a graduate and the category under which the applicant seeks, and will undertake, to practice.
 - (D) Pay to the Department at the time of application the required fees.
 - (E) Pursuant to Department rules, as required, pass an examination authorized by the Department to determine the applicant's fitness to receive a license.
 - (F) Complete the application process within 3 years from the date of application. If the process has not been completed within 3 years, the application shall expire, application fees shall be forfeited, and the applicant must reapply and meet the requirements in effect at the time of reapplication.
- 21 (Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11; 98-1140, eff. 12-30-14.)
- 22 (225 ILCS 60/9.3)
- 23 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- Sec. 9.3. Withdrawal of application. Any applicant applying for a license or permit under this Act may withdraw

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- 1 his or her application at any time. If an applicant withdraws
- 2 his or her application after receipt of a written Notice of
- 3 Intent to Deny License or Permit, then the withdrawal shall be
- 4 reported to the Federation of State Medical Boards and the
- 5 National Practitioner Data Bank.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 98-601, eff. 12-30-13; 98-1140, eff. 12-30-14.)
- 7 (225 ILCS 60/17) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-17)
- 8 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 9 Sec. 17. Temporary license. Persons holding the degree of 10 Doctor of Medicine, persons holding the degree of Doctor of 11 Osteopathy or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, and persons holding the degree of Doctor of Chiropractic or persons who 12 have satisfied the requirements therefor and are eligible to 1.3 14 such degree from a medical, osteopathic, 15 chiropractic school, who wish to pursue programs of graduate 16 or specialty training in this State, may receive without examination, in the discretion of the Department, a 3-year 17 temporary license. In order to receive a 3-year temporary 18 19 license hereunder, an applicant shall submit evidence

satisfactory to the Department that the applicant:

(A) Is of good moral character. In determining moral character under this Section, the Department may take into consideration whether the applicant has engaged in conduct or activities which would constitute grounds for discipline under this Act. The Department may also request

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the applicant to submit, and may consider as evidence of moral character, endorsements from 2 or 3 individuals licensed under this Act;

- (B) Has been accepted or appointed for specialty or residency training by a hospital situated in this State or a training program in hospitals or facilities maintained by the State of Illinois or affiliated training facilities which is approved by the Department for the purpose of such training under this Act. The applicant shall indicate the beginning and ending dates of the period for which the applicant has been accepted or appointed;
- (C) Has or will satisfy the professional education requirements of Section 11 of this Act which are effective at the date of application except for postgraduate clinical training;
- Is physically, mentally, and professionally (D) capable of practicing medicine or treating human ailments without the use of drugs and without operative surgery with reasonable judgment, skill, and safetv. Ιn determining physical, mental and professional capacity under this Section, the Medical Licensing Board may, upon a showing of a possible incapacity, compel an applicant to submit to a mental or physical examination and evaluation, or both, and may condition or restrict any temporary license, subject to the same terms and conditions as are provided for the Medical Disciplinary Board under Section

22 of this Act. Any such condition of restricted temporary license shall provide that the Chief Medical Coordinator or Deputy Medical Coordinator shall have the authority to review the subject physician's compliance with such conditions or restrictions, including, where appropriate, the physician's record of treatment and counseling regarding the impairment, to the extent permitted by applicable federal statutes and regulations safeguarding the confidentiality of medical records of patients.

Three-year temporary licenses issued pursuant to this Section shall be valid only for the period of time designated therein, and may be extended or renewed pursuant to the rules of the Department, and if a temporary license is thereafter extended, it shall not extend beyond completion of the residency program. The holder of a valid 3-year temporary license shall be entitled thereby to perform only such acts as may be prescribed by and incidental to his or her program of residency training; he or she shall not be entitled to otherwise engage in the practice of medicine in this State unless fully licensed in this State.

A 3-year temporary license may be revoked or suspended by the Department upon proof that the holder thereof has engaged in the practice of medicine in this State outside of the program of his or her residency or specialty training, or if the holder shall fail to supply the Department, within 10 days of its request, with information as to his or her current

- 1 status and activities in his or her specialty training
- 2 program. Such a revocation or suspension shall comply with the
- 3 procedures set forth in subsection (d) of Section 37 of this
- 4 Act.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11; 98-1140, eff. 12-30-14.)
- 6 (225 ILCS 60/18) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-18)
- 7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 8 Sec. 18. Visiting professor, physician, or resident
- 9 permits.
- 10 (A) Visiting professor permit.
- 11 (1) A visiting professor permit shall entitle a person 12 to practice medicine in all of its branches or to practice 13 the treatment of human ailments without the use of drugs
- 14 and without operative surgery provided:
- 15 (a) the person maintains an equivalent 16 authorization to practice medicine in all of its
- 17 branches or to practice the treatment of human
- 18 ailments without the use of drugs and without
- 19 operative surgery in good standing in his or her
- 20 native licensing jurisdiction during the period of the
- visiting professor permit;
- (b) the person has received a faculty appointment
- 23 to teach in a medical, osteopathic or chiropractic
- 24 school in Illinois; and
- 25 (c) the Department may prescribe the information

necessary to establish an applicant's eligibility for a permit. This information shall include without limitation (i) a statement from the dean of the medical school at which the applicant will be employed describing the applicant's qualifications and (ii) a statement from the dean of the medical school listing every affiliated institution in which the applicant will be providing instruction as part of the medical school's education program and justifying any clinical activities at each of the institutions listed by the dean.

- (2) Application for visiting professor permits shall be made to the Department, in writing, on forms prescribed by the Department and shall be accompanied by the required fee established by rule, which shall not be refundable. Any application shall require the information as, in the judgment of the Department, will enable the Department to pass on the qualifications of the applicant.
- (3) A visiting professor permit shall be valid for no longer than 2 years from the date of issuance or until the time the faculty appointment is terminated, whichever occurs first, and may be renewed only in accordance with subdivision (A)(6) of this Section.
- (4) The applicant may be required to appear before the Medical Licensing Board for an interview prior to, and as a requirement for, the issuance of the original permit and

the renewal.

- (5) Persons holding a permit under this Section shall only practice medicine in all of its branches or practice the treatment of human ailments without the use of drugs and without operative surgery in the State of Illinois in their official capacity under their contract within the medical school itself and any affiliated institution in which the permit holder is providing instruction as part of the medical school's educational program and for which the medical school has assumed direct responsibility.
- (6) After the initial renewal of a visiting professor permit, a visiting professor permit shall be valid until the last day of the next physician license renewal period, as set by rule, and may only be renewed for applicants who meet the following requirements:
 - (i) have obtained the required continuing education hours as set by rule; and
 - (ii) have paid the fee prescribed for a license under Section 21 of this Act.

For initial renewal, the visiting professor must successfully pass a general competency examination authorized by the Department by rule, unless he or she was issued an initial visiting professor permit on or after January 1, 2007, but prior to July 1, 2007.

(B) Visiting physician permit.

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(1) The Department may, in its discretion, issue a temporary visiting physician permit, without examination, provided:

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- (b) that the person maintains an equivalent authorization to practice medicine in all of its branches or to practice the treatment of human ailments without the use of drugs and without operative surgery in good standing in his or her native licensing jurisdiction during the period of the temporary visiting physician permit;
- (c) that the person has received an invitation or appointment to study, demonstrate, or perform a specific medical, osteopathic, chiropractic clinical subject or technique in osteopathic, or chiropractic school, a state or national medical, osteopathic, or chiropractic professional association or society conference or meeting, a hospital licensed under the Hospital Licensing Act, a hospital organized under the University of Illinois Hospital Act, or a facility operated pursuant to the Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Center Act: and
- (d) that the temporary visiting physician permit shall only permit the holder to practice medicine in all of its branches or practice the treatment of human

ailments without the use of drugs and without operative surgery within the scope of the medical, osteopathic, chiropractic, or clinical studies, or in conjunction with the state or national medical, osteopathic, or chiropractic professional association or society conference or meeting, for which the holder was invited or appointed.

- (2) The application for the temporary visiting physician permit shall be made to the Department, in writing, on forms prescribed by the Department, and shall be accompanied by the required fee established by rule, which shall not be refundable. The application shall require information that, in the judgment of the Department, will enable the Department to pass on the qualification of the applicant, and the necessity for the granting of a temporary visiting physician permit.
- (3) A temporary visiting physician permit shall be valid for no longer than (i) 180 days from the date of issuance or (ii) until the time the medical, osteopathic, chiropractic, or clinical studies are completed, or the state or national medical, osteopathic, or chiropractic professional association or society conference or meeting has concluded, whichever occurs first. The temporary visiting physician permit may be issued multiple times to a visiting physician under this paragraph (3) as long as the total number of days it is active do not exceed 180

days within a 365-day period.

- (4) The applicant for a temporary visiting physician permit may be required to appear before the <u>Medical Licensing</u> Board for an interview prior to, and as a requirement for, the issuance of a temporary visiting physician permit.
- (5) A limited temporary visiting physician permit shall be issued to a physician licensed in another state who has been requested to perform emergency procedures in Illinois if he or she meets the requirements as established by rule.
- (C) Visiting resident permit.
 - (1) The Department may, in its discretion, issue a temporary visiting resident permit, without examination, provided:
 - (a) (blank);
 - (b) that the person maintains an equivalent authorization to practice medicine in all of its branches or to practice the treatment of human ailments without the use of drugs and without operative surgery in good standing in his or her native licensing jurisdiction during the period of the temporary visiting resident permit;
 - (c) that the applicant is enrolled in a postgraduate clinical training program outside the

State of Illinois that is approved by the Department;

- (d) that the individual has been invited or appointed for a specific period of time to perform a portion of that post graduate clinical training program under the supervision of an Illinois licensed physician in an Illinois patient care clinic or facility that is affiliated with the out-of-State post graduate training program; and
- (e) that the temporary visiting resident permit shall only permit the holder to practice medicine in all of its branches or practice the treatment of human ailments without the use of drugs and without operative surgery within the scope of the medical, osteopathic, chiropractic or clinical studies for which the holder was invited or appointed.
- (2) The application for the temporary visiting resident permit shall be made to the Department, in writing, on forms prescribed by the Department, and shall be accompanied by the required fee established by rule. The application shall require information that, in the judgment of the Department, will enable the Department to pass on the qualifications of the applicant.
- (3) A temporary visiting resident permit shall be valid for 180 days from the date of issuance or until the time the medical, osteopathic, chiropractic, or clinical studies are completed, whichever occurs first.

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1 (4) The applicant for a temporary visiting resident
2 permit may be required to appear before the <u>Medical</u>
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4 requirement for, the issuance of a temporary visiting
5 resident permit.

(Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11; 98-1140, eff. 12-30-14.)

- (225 ILCS 60/19) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-19)
- 8 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- Sec. 19. Licensure by endorsement. The Department may, in its discretion, issue a license by endorsement to any person who is currently licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches, or a chiropractic physician, in any other state, territory, country or province, upon the following conditions and submitting evidence satisfactory to the Department of the following:
 - (A) (Blank);
 - (B) That the applicant is of good moral character. In determining moral character under this Section, the Department may take into consideration whether the applicant has engaged in conduct or activities which would constitute grounds for discipline under this Act. The Department may also request the applicant to submit, and may consider as evidence of moral character, endorsements from 2 or 3 individuals licensed under this Act;
 - (C) That the applicant is physically, mentally and

professionally capable of practicing medicine with reasonable judgment, skill and safety. In determining physical, mental and professional capacity under this Section the Medical Licensing Board may, upon a showing of a possible incapacity, compel an applicant to submit to a mental or physical examination and evaluation, or both, in the same manner as provided in Section 22 and may condition or restrict any license, subject to the same terms and conditions as are provided for the Medical Disciplinary Board under Section 22 of this Act.

- (D) That if the applicant seeks to practice medicine in all of its branches:
 - (1) if the applicant was licensed in another jurisdiction prior to January 1, 1988, that the applicant has satisfied the educational requirements of paragraph (1) of subsection (A) or paragraph (2) of subsection (A) of Section 11 of this Act; or
 - (2) if the applicant was licensed in another jurisdiction after December 31, 1987, that the applicant has satisfied the educational requirements of paragraph (A)(2) of Section 11 of this Act; and
 - (3) the requirements for a license to practice medicine in all of its branches in the particular state, territory, country or province in which the applicant is licensed are deemed by the Department to have been substantially equivalent to the requirements

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- (E) That if the applicant seeks to treat human ailments without the use of drugs and without operative surgery:
 - (1) the applicant is a graduate of a chiropractic school or college approved by the Department at the time of their graduation;
 - (2) the requirements for the applicant's license to practice the treatment of human ailments without the use of drugs are deemed by the Department to have been substantially equivalent to the requirements for a license to practice in this State at the date of the applicant's license;
- (F) That the Department may, in its discretion, issue a license by endorsement to any graduate of a medical or osteopathic college, reputable and in good standing in the judgment of the Department, who has passed an examination for admission to the United States Public Health Service, or who has passed any other examination deemed by the Department to have been at least equal in all substantial respects to the examination required for admission to any such medical corps;
- (G) That applications for licenses by endorsement shall be filed with the Department, under oath, on forms

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prepared and furnished by the Department, and shall set forth, and applicants therefor shall supply such information respecting the life, education, professional practice, and moral character of applicants as the Department may require to be filed for its use;

(H) That the applicant undergo the criminal background check established under Section 9.7 of this Act.

In the exercise of its discretion under this Section, the Department is empowered to consider and evaluate each applicant on an individual basis. It may take into account, among other things: the extent to which the applicant will bring unique experience and skills to the State of Illinois or the extent to which there is or is not available to the Department authentic and definitive information concerning the quality of medical education and clinical training which the applicant has had. Under no circumstances shall a license be issued under the provisions of this Section to any person who has previously taken and failed the written examination conducted by the Department for such license. In the exercise of its discretion under this Section, the Department may require an applicant to successfully complete an examination as recommended by the Medical Licensing Board. The Department may also request the applicant to submit, and may consider as evidence of moral character, evidence from 2 or 3 individuals licensed under this Act. Applicants have 3 years from the date of application to complete the application process. If the

- 1 process has not been completed within 3 years, the application
- 2 shall be denied, the fees shall be forfeited, and the
- 3 applicant must reapply and meet the requirements in effect at
- 4 the time of reapplication.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11; 98-1140, eff. 12-30-14.)
- 6 (225 ILCS 60/21) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-21)
- 7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 8 Sec. 21. License renewal; reinstatement; inactive status;
- 9 disposition and collection of fees.
- 10 (A) Renewal. The expiration date and renewal period for
- 11 each license issued under this Act shall be set by rule. The
- 12 holder of a license may renew the license by paying the
- 13 required fee. The holder of a license may also renew the
- 14 license within 90 days after its expiration by complying with
- 15 the requirements for renewal and payment of an additional fee.
- 16 A license renewal within 90 days after expiration shall be
- 17 effective retroactively to the expiration date.
- 18 The Department shall attempt to provide through electronic
- means to each licensee under this Act, at least 60 days in
- 20 advance of the expiration date of his or her license, a renewal
- 21 notice. No such license shall be deemed to have lapsed until 90
- 22 days after the expiration date and after the Department has
- attempted to provide such notice as herein provided.
- 24 (B) Reinstatement. Any licensee who has permitted his or
- 25 her license to lapse or who has had his or her license on

inactive status may have his or her license reinstated by making application to the Department and filing proof acceptable to the Department of his or her fitness to have the license reinstated, including evidence certifying to active practice in another jurisdiction satisfactory to the Department, proof of meeting the continuing education requirements for one renewal period, and by paying the required reinstatement fee.

If the licensee has not maintained an active practice in another jurisdiction satisfactory to the Department, the Medical Licensing Board shall determine, by an evaluation program established by rule, the applicant's fitness to resume active status and may require the licensee to complete a period of evaluated clinical experience and may require successful completion of a practical examination specified by the Medical Licensing Board.

However, any registrant whose license has expired while he or she has been engaged (a) in Federal Service on active duty with the Army of the United States, the United States Navy, the Marine Corps, the Air Force, the Coast Guard, the Public Health Service or the State Militia called into the service or training of the United States of America, or (b) in training or education under the supervision of the United States preliminary to induction into the military service, may have his or her license reinstated without paying any lapsed renewal fees, if within 2 years after honorable termination of

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- such service, training, or education, he or she furnishes to the Department with satisfactory evidence to the effect that
- 3 he or she has been so engaged and that his or her service,
- 4 training, or education has been so terminated.
- 5 (C) Inactive licenses. Any licensee who notifies the
 6 Department, in writing on forms prescribed by the Department,
 7 may elect to place his or her license on an inactive status and
 8 shall, subject to rules of the Department, be excused from
 9 payment of renewal fees until he or she notifies the
 10 Department in writing of his or her desire to resume active
 - Any licensee requesting reinstatement from inactive status shall be required to pay the current renewal fee, provide proof of meeting the continuing education requirements for the period of time the license is inactive not to exceed one renewal period, and shall be required to reinstate his or her license as provided in subsection (B).
 - Any licensee whose license is in an inactive status shall not practice in the State of Illinois.
- 20 (D) Disposition of monies collected. All monies collected
 21 under this Act by the Department shall be deposited in the
 22 Illinois State Medical Disciplinary Fund in the State
 23 Treasury, and used only for the following purposes: (a) by the
 24 Medical Disciplinary Board and Licensing Board in the exercise
 25 of its powers and performance of its duties, as such use is
 26 made by the Department with full consideration of all

- 1 recommendations of the <u>Medical</u> Disciplinary Board and
- 2 Licensing Board, (b) for costs directly related to persons
- 3 licensed under this Act, and (c) for direct and allocable
- 4 indirect costs related to the public purposes of the
- 5 Department.
- 6 Moneys in the Fund may be transferred to the Professions
- 7 Indirect Cost Fund as authorized under Section 2105-300 of the
- 8 Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil
- 9 Administrative Code of Illinois.
- 10 All earnings received from investment of monies in the
- 11 Illinois State Medical Disciplinary Fund shall be deposited in
- the Illinois State Medical Disciplinary Fund and shall be used
- for the same purposes as fees deposited in such Fund.
- 14 (E) Fees. The following fees are nonrefundable.
- 15 (1) Applicants for any examination shall be required
- to pay, either to the Department or to the designated
- testing service, a fee covering the cost of determining
- the applicant's eligibility and providing the examination.
- 19 Failure to appear for the examination on the scheduled
- 20 date, at the time and place specified, after the
- 21 applicant's application for examination has been received
- and acknowledged by the Department or the designated
- 23 testing service, shall result in the forfeiture of the
- examination fee.
- 25 (2) Before July 1, 2018, the fee for a license under
- Section 9 of this Act is \$700. Beginning on July 1, 2018,

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the fee for a license under Section 9 of this Act is \$500.

- (3) Before July 1, 2018, the fee for a license under Section 19 of this Act is \$700. Beginning on July 1, 2018, the fee for a license under Section 19 of this Act is \$500.
- (4) Before July 1, 2018, the fee for the renewal of a license for a resident of Illinois shall be calculated at the rate of \$230 per year, and beginning on July 1, 2018 and until January 1, 2020, the fee for the renewal of a license shall be \$167, except for licensees who were issued a license within 12 months of the expiration date of the license, before July 1, 2018, the fee for the renewal shall be \$230, and beginning on July 1, 2018 and until January 1, 2020 that fee will be \$167. Before July 1, 2018, the fee for the renewal of a license for a nonresident shall be calculated at the rate of \$460 per year, and beginning on July 1, 2018 and until January 1, 2020, the fee for the renewal of a license for a nonresident shall be \$250, except for licensees who were issued a license within 12 months of the expiration date of the license, before July 1, 2018, the fee for the renewal shall be \$460, and beginning on July 1, 2018 and until January 1, 2020 that fee will be \$250. Beginning on January 1, 2020, the fee for renewal of a license for a resident or nonresident is \$181 per year.
- (5) The fee for the reinstatement of a license other than from inactive status, is \$230. In addition, payment

- of all lapsed renewal fees not to exceed \$1,400 is required.
 - (6) The fee for a 3-year temporary license under Section 17 is \$230.
 - (7) The fee for the issuance of a license with a change of name or address other than during the renewal period is \$20. No fee is required for name and address changes on Department records when no updated license is issued.
 - (8) The fee to be paid for a license record for any purpose is \$20.
 - (9) The fee to be paid to have the scoring of an examination, administered by the Department, reviewed and verified, is \$20 plus any fees charged by the applicable testing service.
 - (F) Any person who delivers a check or other payment to the Department that is returned to the Department unpaid by the financial institution upon which it is drawn shall pay to the Department, in addition to the amount already owed to the Department, a fine of \$50. The fines imposed by this Section are in addition to any other discipline provided under this Act for unlicensed practice or practice on a nonrenewed license. The Department shall notify the person that payment of fees and fines shall be paid to the Department by certified check or money order within 30 calendar days of the notification. If, after the expiration of 30 days from the date of the notification, the person has failed to submit the

necessary remittance, the Department shall automatically 1 2 terminate the license or permit or deny the application, without hearing. If, after termination or denial, the person 3 seeks a license or permit, he or she shall apply to the 5 Department for reinstatement or issuance of the license or permit and pay all fees and fines due to the Department. The 6 Department may establish a fee for the processing of an 7 8 application for reinstatement of a license or permit to pay 9 all expenses of processing this application. The Secretary may 10 waive the fines due under this Section in individual cases 11 where the Secretary finds that the fines would be unreasonable 12 or unnecessarily burdensome.

- 13 (Source: P.A. 101-316, eff. 8-9-19; 101-603, eff. 1-1-20.)
- 14 (225 ILCS 60/22) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-22)
- 15 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 16 Sec. 22. Disciplinary action.
- 17 (A) The Department may revoke, suspend, place 18 probation, reprimand, refuse to issue or renew, or take any 19 other disciplinary or non-disciplinary action the 20 Department may deem proper with regard to the license or 21 permit of any person issued under this Act, including imposing 22 fines not to exceed \$10,000 for each violation, upon any of the following grounds: 23
- 24 (1) (Blank).
- 25 (2) (Blank).

- (3) A plea of guilty or nolo contendere, finding of guilt, jury verdict, or entry of judgment or sentencing, including, but not limited to, convictions, preceding sentences of supervision, conditional discharge, or first offender probation, under the laws of any jurisdiction of the United States of any crime that is a felony.
 - (4) Gross negligence in practice under this Act.
- (5) Engaging in dishonorable, unethical or unprofessional conduct of a character likely to deceive, defraud or harm the public.
- (6) Obtaining any fee by fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation.
- (7) Habitual or excessive use or abuse of drugs defined in law as controlled substances, of alcohol, or of any other substances which results in the inability to practice with reasonable judgment, skill, or safety.
- (8) Practicing under a false or, except as provided by law, an assumed name.
- (9) Fraud or misrepresentation in applying for, or procuring, a license under this Act or in connection with applying for renewal of a license under this Act.
- (10) Making a false or misleading statement regarding their skill or the efficacy or value of the medicine, treatment, or remedy prescribed by them at their direction in the treatment of any disease or other condition of the body or mind.

- (11) Allowing another person or organization to use their license, procured under this Act, to practice.
 - (12) Adverse action taken by another state or jurisdiction against a license or other authorization to practice as a medical doctor, doctor of osteopathy, doctor of osteopathic medicine or doctor of chiropractic, a certified copy of the record of the action taken by the other state or jurisdiction being prima facie evidence thereof. This includes any adverse action taken by a State or federal agency that prohibits a medical doctor, doctor of osteopathy, doctor of osteopathic medicine, or doctor of chiropractic from providing services to the agency's participants.
 - (13) Violation of any provision of this Act or of the Medical Practice Act prior to the repeal of that Act, or violation of the rules, or a final administrative action of the Secretary, after consideration of the recommendation of the Medical Disciplinary Board.
 - (14) Violation of the prohibition against fee splitting in Section 22.2 of this Act.
 - (15) A finding by the <u>Medical</u> <u>Disciplinary</u> Board that the registrant after having his or her license placed on probationary status or subjected to conditions or restrictions violated the terms of the probation or failed to comply with such terms or conditions.
 - (16) Abandonment of a patient.

- (17) Prescribing, selling, administering, distributing, giving, or self-administering any drug classified as a controlled substance (designated product) or narcotic for other than medically accepted therapeutic purposes.
 - (18) Promotion of the sale of drugs, devices, appliances, or goods provided for a patient in such manner as to exploit the patient for financial gain of the physician.
 - (19) Offering, undertaking, or agreeing to cure or treat disease by a secret method, procedure, treatment, or medicine, or the treating, operating, or prescribing for any human condition by a method, means, or procedure which the licensee refuses to divulge upon demand of the Department.
 - (20) Immoral conduct in the commission of any act including, but not limited to, commission of an act of sexual misconduct related to the licensee's practice.
 - (21) Willfully making or filing false records or reports in his or her practice as a physician, including, but not limited to, false records to support claims against the medical assistance program of the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Department of Public Aid) under the Illinois Public Aid Code.
 - (22) Willful omission to file or record, or willfully impeding the filing or recording, or inducing another

person to omit to file or record, medical reports as required by law, or willfully failing to report an instance of suspected abuse or neglect as required by law.

- (23) Being named as a perpetrator in an indicated report by the Department of Children and Family Services under the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act, and upon proof by clear and convincing evidence that the licensee has caused a child to be an abused child or neglected child as defined in the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act.
- (24) Solicitation of professional patronage by any corporation, agents or persons, or profiting from those representing themselves to be agents of the licensee.
- (25) Gross and willful and continued overcharging for professional services, including filing false statements for collection of fees for which services are not rendered, including, but not limited to, filing such false statements for collection of monies for services not rendered from the medical assistance program of the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Department of Public Aid) under the Illinois Public Aid Code.
- (26) A pattern of practice or other behavior which demonstrates incapacity or incompetence to practice under this Act.
 - (27) Mental illness or disability which results in the

- inability to practice under this Act with reasonable judgment, skill, or safety.
 - (28) Physical illness, including, but not limited to, deterioration through the aging process, or loss of motor skill which results in a physician's inability to practice under this Act with reasonable judgment, skill, or safety.
 - (29) Cheating on or attempt to subvert the licensing examinations administered under this Act.
 - (30) Willfully or negligently violating the confidentiality between physician and patient except as required by law.
 - (31) The use of any false, fraudulent, or deceptive statement in any document connected with practice under this Act.
 - (32) Aiding and abetting an individual not licensed under this Act in the practice of a profession licensed under this Act.
 - (33) Violating state or federal laws or regulations relating to controlled substances, legend drugs, or ephedra as defined in the Ephedra Prohibition Act.
 - (34) Failure to report to the Department any adverse final action taken against them by another licensing jurisdiction (any other state or any territory of the United States or any foreign state or country), by any peer review body, by any health care institution, by any professional society or association related to practice

under this Act, by any governmental agency, by any law enforcement agency, or by any court for acts or conduct similar to acts or conduct which would constitute grounds for action as defined in this Section.

- (35) Failure to report to the Department surrender of a license or authorization to practice as a medical doctor, a doctor of osteopathy, a doctor of osteopathic medicine, or doctor of chiropractic in another state or jurisdiction, or surrender of membership on any medical staff or in any medical or professional association or society, while under disciplinary investigation by any of those authorities or bodies, for acts or conduct similar to acts or conduct which would constitute grounds for action as defined in this Section.
- (36) Failure to report to the Department any adverse judgment, settlement, or award arising from a liability claim related to acts or conduct similar to acts or conduct which would constitute grounds for action as defined in this Section.
- (37) Failure to provide copies of medical records as required by law.
- (38) Failure to furnish the Department, its investigators or representatives, relevant information, legally requested by the Department after consultation with the Chief Medical Coordinator or the Deputy Medical Coordinator.

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- (40) Willful failure to provide notice when notice is required under the Parental Notice of Abortion Act of 1995.
- (41) Failure to establish and maintain records of patient care and treatment as required by this law.
- (42) Entering into an excessive number of written collaborative agreements with licensed advanced practice registered nurses resulting in an inability to adequately collaborate.
- (43) Repeated failure to adequately collaborate with a licensed advanced practice registered nurse.
- (44) Violating the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Program Act.
- (45) Entering into an excessive number of written collaborative agreements with licensed prescribing psychologists resulting in an inability to adequately collaborate.
- (46) Repeated failure to adequately collaborate with a licensed prescribing psychologist.
- (47) Willfully failing to report an instance of suspected abuse, neglect, financial exploitation, or self-neglect of an eligible adult as defined in and required by the Adult Protective Services Act.
 - (48) Being named as an abuser in a verified report by

the Department on Aging under the Adult Protective Services Act, and upon proof by clear and convincing evidence that the licensee abused, neglected, or financially exploited an eligible adult as defined in the Adult Protective Services Act.

- (49) Entering into an excessive number of written collaborative agreements with licensed physician assistants resulting in an inability to adequately collaborate.
- (50) Repeated failure to adequately collaborate with a physician assistant.

Except for actions involving the ground numbered (26), all proceedings to suspend, revoke, place on probationary status, or take any other disciplinary action as the Department may deem proper, with regard to a license on any of the foregoing grounds, must be commenced within 5 years next after receipt by the Department of a complaint alleging the commission of or notice of the conviction order for any of the acts described herein. Except for the grounds numbered (8), (9), (26), and (29), no action shall be commenced more than 10 years after the date of the incident or act alleged to have violated this Section. For actions involving the ground numbered (26), a pattern of practice or other behavior includes all incidents alleged to be part of the pattern of practice or other behavior that occurred, or a report pursuant to Section 23 of this Act received, within the 10-year period preceding the filing of

the complaint. In the event of the settlement of any claim or cause of action in favor of the claimant or the reduction to final judgment of any civil action in favor of the plaintiff, such claim, cause of action, or civil action being grounded on the allegation that a person licensed under this Act was negligent in providing care, the Department shall have an additional period of 2 years from the date of notification to the Department under Section 23 of this Act of such settlement or final judgment in which to investigate and commence formal disciplinary proceedings under Section 36 of this Act, except as otherwise provided by law. The time during which the holder of the license was outside the State of Illinois shall not be included within any period of time limiting the commencement of disciplinary action by the Department.

The entry of an order or judgment by any circuit court establishing that any person holding a license under this Act is a person in need of mental treatment operates as a suspension of that license. That person may resume his or her their practice only upon the entry of a Departmental order based upon a finding by the Medical Disciplinary Board that they have been determined to be recovered from mental illness by the court and upon the Medical Disciplinary Board's recommendation that the person they be permitted to resume his or her their practice.

The Department may refuse to issue or take disciplinary action concerning the license of any person who fails to file a

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- 2 filed return, or to pay any final assessment of tax, penalty,
- 3 or interest, as required by any tax Act administered by the
- 4 Illinois Department of Revenue, until such time as the
- 5 requirements of any such tax Act are satisfied as determined
- 6 by the Illinois Department of Revenue.
- 7 The Department, upon the recommendation of the <u>Medical</u>
- 8 Disciplinary Board, shall adopt rules which set forth
- 9 standards to be used in determining:
- 10 (a) when a person will be deemed sufficiently
- 11 rehabilitated to warrant the public trust;
- 12 (b) what constitutes dishonorable, unethical $\underline{\,}$ or
- unprofessional conduct of a character likely to deceive,
- defraud, or harm the public;
- 15 (c) what constitutes immoral conduct in the commission
- of any act, including, but not limited to, commission of
- an act of sexual misconduct related to the licensee's
- 18 practice; and
- 19 (d) what constitutes gross negligence in the practice
- of medicine.
- However, no such rule shall be admissible into evidence in
- 22 any civil action except for review of a licensing or other
- 23 disciplinary action under this Act.
- In enforcing this Section, the Medical Disciplinary Board
- 25 or the Licensing Board, upon a showing of a possible
- violation, may compel, in the case of the Disciplinary Board,

any individual who is licensed to practice under this Act or 1 2 holds a permit to practice under this Act, or, in the case of the Licensing Board, any individual who has applied for 3 licensure or a permit pursuant to this Act, to submit to a 5 mental or physical examination and evaluation, or both, which may include a substance abuse or sexual offender evaluation, 6 7 as required by the <u>Medical</u> Licensing Board or Disciplinary 8 Board and at the expense of the Department. The Medical 9 Disciplinary Board or Licensing Board shall specifically 10 designate the examining physician licensed to practice 11 medicine in all of its branches or, if applicable, the 12 multidisciplinary team involved in providing the mental or 13 physical examination and evaluation, or both. multidisciplinary team shall be led by a physician licensed to 14 15 practice medicine in all of its branches and may consist of one 16 or more or a combination of physicians licensed to practice 17 medicine in all of its branches, licensed chiropractic physicians, licensed clinical psychologists, licensed clinical 18 social workers, licensed clinical professional counselors, and 19 20 other professional and administrative staff. Any examining physician or member of the multidisciplinary team may require 21 22 any person ordered to submit to an examination and evaluation 23 pursuant to this Section to submit to any additional testing deemed necessary to complete 24 supplemental 25 examination or evaluation process, including, but not limited to, blood testing, urinalysis, psychological testing, or 26

neuropsychological testing. The Medical Disciplinary Board, 1 the Licensing Board, or the Department may order the examining 2 3 physician or any member of the multidisciplinary team to provide to the Department, the Disciplinary Board, or the 4 5 Medical Licensing Board any and all records, including 6 business records, relate to the that examination evaluation, including any supplemental testing performed. The 7 8 Medical Disciplinary Board, the Licensing Board, or 9 Department may order the examining physician or any member of 10 the multidisciplinary team to present testimony concerning 11 this examination and evaluation of the licensee, permit 12 holder, or applicant, including testimony concerning any 13 supplemental testing or documents relating to the examination 14 and evaluation. No information, report, record, or other 15 documents in any way related to the examination and evaluation 16 shall be excluded by reason of any common law or statutory 17 privilege relating to communication between the licensee, permit holder, or applicant and the examining physician or any 18 member of the multidisciplinary team. No authorization is 19 20 necessary from the licensee, permit holder, or applicant ordered to undergo an evaluation and examination for the 21 22 examining physician or any member of the multidisciplinary 23 team to provide information, reports, records, or other to provide any testimony regarding 24 documents or 25 examination and evaluation. The individual to be examined may 26 have, at his or her own expense, another physician of his or

her choice present during all aspects of the examination. 1 2 Failure of any individual to submit to mental or physical examination and evaluation, or both, when directed, shall 3 result in an automatic suspension, without hearing, until such 5 time as the individual submits to the examination. If the Medical Disciplinary Board or Licensing Board finds 6 7 physician unable to practice following an examination and evaluation because of the reasons set forth in this Section, 8 9 the Medical Disciplinary Board or Licensing Board shall 10 require such physician to submit to care, counseling, or 11 treatment by physicians, or other health care professionals, 12 approved or designated by the Medical Disciplinary Board, as a 13 for issued, continued, reinstated, or condition licensure to practice. Any physician, whose license was 14 granted pursuant to Sections 9, 17, or 19 of this Act, or, 15 16 continued, reinstated, renewed, disciplined or supervised, 17 subject to such terms, conditions, or restrictions who shall fail to comply with such terms, conditions, or restrictions, 18 or to complete a required program of care, counseling, or 19 treatment, as determined by the Chief Medical Coordinator or 20 Deputy Medical Coordinators, shall be referred to the 21 22 Secretary for a determination as to whether the licensee shall 23 have his or her their license suspended immediately, pending a 24 hearing by the Medical Disciplinary Board. In instances in 25 which the Secretary immediately suspends a license under this 26 Section, a hearing upon such person's license must be convened

by the <u>Medical</u> <u>Disciplinary</u> Board within 15 days after such suspension and completed without appreciable delay. The <u>Medical</u> <u>Disciplinary</u> Board shall have the authority to review the subject physician's record of treatment and counseling regarding the impairment, to the extent permitted by applicable federal statutes and regulations safeguarding the confidentiality of medical records.

An individual licensed under this Act, affected under this Section, shall be afforded an opportunity to demonstrate to the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board that <u>he or she</u> they can resume practice in compliance with acceptable and prevailing standards under the provisions of his or her their license.

The Department may promulgate rules for the imposition of fines in disciplinary cases, not to exceed \$10,000 for each violation of this Act. Fines may be imposed in conjunction with other forms of disciplinary action, but shall not be the exclusive disposition of any disciplinary action arising out of conduct resulting in death or injury to a patient. Any funds collected from such fines shall be deposited in the Illinois State Medical Disciplinary Fund.

All fines imposed under this Section shall be paid within 60 days after the effective date of the order imposing the fine or in accordance with the terms set forth in the order imposing the fine.

(B) The Department shall revoke the license or permit issued under this Act to practice medicine or a chiropractic

- physician who has been convicted a second time of committing any felony under the Illinois Controlled Substances Act or the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act, or who has been convicted a second time of committing a Class 1 felony under Sections 8A-3 and 8A-6 of the Illinois Public Aid Code. A person whose license or permit is revoked under this subsection B shall be prohibited from practicing medicine or treating human ailments without the use of drugs and without operative surgery.
 - (C) The Department shall not revoke, suspend, place on probation, reprimand, refuse to issue or renew, or take any other disciplinary or non-disciplinary action against the license or permit issued under this Act to practice medicine to a physician:
 - (1) based solely upon the recommendation of the physician to an eligible patient regarding, or prescription for, or treatment with, an investigational drug, biological product, or device; or
 - (2) for experimental treatment for Lyme disease or other tick-borne diseases, including, but not limited to, the prescription of or treatment with long-term antibiotics.
 - (D) The <u>Medical</u> <u>Disciplinary</u> Board shall recommend to the Department civil penalties and any other appropriate discipline in disciplinary cases when the <u>Medical</u> Board finds that a physician willfully performed an abortion with actual

- 1 knowledge that the person upon whom the abortion has been
- 2 performed is a minor or an incompetent person without notice
- 3 as required under the Parental Notice of Abortion Act of 1995.
- 4 Upon the Medical Board's recommendation, the Department shall
- 5 impose, for the first violation, a civil penalty of \$1,000 and
- 6 for a second or subsequent violation, a civil penalty of
- 7 \$5,000.
- 8 (Source: P.A. 100-429, eff. 8-25-17; 100-513, eff. 1-1-18;
- 9 100-605, eff. 1-1-19; 100-863, eff. 8-14-18; 100-1137, eff.
- 10 1-1-19; 101-13, eff. 6-12-19; 101-81, eff. 7-12-19; 101-363,
- 11 eff. 8-9-19; revised 9-20-19.)
- 12 (225 ILCS 60/23) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-23)
- 13 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 14 Sec. 23. Reports relating to professional conduct and
- 15 capacity.
- 16 (A) Entities required to report.
- 17 (1) Health care institutions. The chief administrator
- or executive officer of any health care institution
- 19 licensed by the Illinois Department of Public Health shall
- 20 report to the Medical Disciplinary Board when any person's
- 21 clinical privileges are terminated or are restricted based
- on a final determination made in accordance with that
- institution's by-laws or rules and regulations that a
- 24 person has either committed an act or acts which may
- 25 directly threaten patient care or that a person may have a

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mental or physical disability that may endanger patients under that person's care. Such officer also shall report if a person accepts voluntary termination or restriction of clinical privileges in lieu of formal action based upon conduct related directly to patient care or in lieu of formal action seeking to determine whether a person may have a mental or physical disability that may endanger under that person's The patients care. Medical Disciplinary Board shall, by rule, provide for the reporting to it by health care institutions of instances in which a person, licensed under this Act, who is impaired by reason of age, drug or alcohol abuse or physical or mental impairment, is under supervision and, where appropriate, is in a program of rehabilitation. Such reports shall be strictly confidential and may be reviewed and considered only by the members of the Disciplinary Board, or by authorized staff as provided by rules of the Medical Disciplinary Board. Provisions shall be made for the periodic report of the status of any such person not less than twice annually in order that the Medical Disciplinary Board shall have current information upon which to determine the status of any such person. Such initial and periodic reports of impaired physicians shall not be considered records within the meaning of The State Records Act and shall be disposed of, following a determination by the Medical Disciplinary Board that such

reports are no longer required, in a manner and at such time as the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board shall determine by rule. The filing of such reports shall be construed as the filing of a report for purposes of subsection (C) of this Section.

- (1.5) Clinical training programs. The program director of any post-graduate clinical training program shall report to the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board if a person engaged in a post-graduate clinical training program at the institution, including, but not limited to, a residency or fellowship, separates from the program for any reason prior to its conclusion. The program director shall provide all documentation relating to the separation if, after review of the report, the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board determines that a review of those documents is necessary to determine whether a violation of this Act occurred.
- (2) Professional associations. The President or chief executive officer of any association or society, of persons licensed under this Act, operating within this State shall report to the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board when the association or society renders a final determination that a person has committed unprofessional conduct related directly to patient care or that a person may have a mental or physical disability that may endanger patients under that person's care.

- (3) Professional liability insurers. Every insurance company which offers policies of professional liability insurance to persons licensed under this Act, or any other entity which seeks to indemnify the professional liability of a person licensed under this Act, shall report to the Medical Disciplinary Board the settlement of any claim or cause of action, or final judgment rendered in any cause of action, which alleged negligence in the furnishing of medical care by such licensed person when such settlement or final judgment is in favor of the plaintiff.
- (4) State's Attorneys. The State's Attorney of each county shall report to the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board, within 5 days, any instances in which a person licensed under this Act is convicted of any felony or Class A misdemeanor. The State's Attorney of each county may report to the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board through a verified complaint any instance in which the State's Attorney believes that a physician has willfully violated the notice requirements of the Parental Notice of Abortion Act of 1995.
- (5) State agencies. All agencies, boards, commissions, departments, or other instrumentalities of the government of the State of Illinois shall report to the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board any instance arising in connection with the operations of such agency, including the administration of any law by such agency, in which a

person licensed under this Act has either committed an act or acts which may be a violation of this Act or which may constitute unprofessional conduct related directly to patient care or which indicates that a person licensed under this Act may have a mental or physical disability that may endanger patients under that person's care.

- (B) Mandatory reporting. All reports required by items (34), (35), and (36) of subsection (A) of Section 22 and by Section 23 shall be submitted to the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board in a timely fashion. Unless otherwise provided in this Section, the reports shall be filed in writing within 60 days after a determination that a report is required under this Act. All reports shall contain the following information:
 - (1) The name, address and telephone number of the person making the report.
 - (2) The name, address and telephone number of the person who is the subject of the report.
 - (3) The name and date of birth of any patient or patients whose treatment is a subject of the report, if available, or other means of identification if such information is not available, identification of the hospital or other healthcare facility where the care at issue in the report was rendered, provided, however, no medical records may be revealed.
 - (4) A brief description of the facts which gave rise to the issuance of the report, including the dates of any

- occurrences deemed to necessitate the filing of the report.
 - (5) If court action is involved, the identity of the court in which the action is filed, along with the docket number and date of filing of the action.
 - (6) Any further pertinent information which the reporting party deems to be an aid in the evaluation of the report.

The <u>Medical</u> <u>Disciplinary</u> Board or Department may also exercise the power under Section 38 of this Act to subpoena copies of hospital or medical records in mandatory report cases alleging death or permanent bodily injury. Appropriate rules shall be adopted by the Department with the approval of the Medical Disciplinary Board.

When the Department has received written reports concerning incidents required to be reported in items (34), (35), and (36) of subsection (A) of Section 22, the licensee's failure to report the incident to the Department under those items shall not be the sole grounds for disciplinary action.

Nothing contained in this Section shall act to in any way, waive or modify the confidentiality of medical reports and committee reports to the extent provided by law. Any information reported or disclosed shall be kept for the confidential use of the Medical Disciplinary Board, the Medical Coordinators, the Medical Disciplinary Board's attorneys, the medical investigative staff, and authorized

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clerical staff, as provided in this Act, and shall be afforded 1 2 the same status as is provided information concerning medical studies in Part 21 of Article VIII of the Code of Civil 3 Procedure, except that the Department may disclose information 5 and documents to a federal, State, or local law enforcement agency pursuant to a 6 subpoena in an ongoing criminal 7 investigation or to a health care licensing body or medical 8 licensing authority of this State or another state or 9 jurisdiction pursuant to an official request made by that 10 licensing body or medical licensing authority. Furthermore, 11 information and documents disclosed to a federal, State, or 12 local law enforcement agency may be used by that agency only for the investigation and prosecution of a criminal offense, 13 or, in the case of disclosure to a health care licensing body 14 or medical licensing authority, only for investigations and 15 16 disciplinary action proceedings with regard to a license. 17 Information and documents disclosed to the Department of Public Health may be used by that Department only for 18 investigation and disciplinary action regarding the license of 19 20 a health care institution licensed by the Department of Public Health. 21

(C) Immunity from prosecution. Any individual or organization acting in good faith, and not in a wilful and wanton manner, in complying with this Act by providing any report or other information to the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board or a peer review committee, or assisting in the investigation

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or preparation of such information, or by voluntarily reporting to the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board or a peer review committee information regarding alleged errors or negligence by a person licensed under this Act, or by participating in proceedings of the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board or a peer review committee, or by serving as a member of the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board or a peer review committee, shall not, as a result of such actions, be subject to criminal prosecution or civil damages.

(D) Indemnification. Members of the Medical Disciplinary Board, the Licensing Board, the Medical Coordinators, the Medical Disciplinary Board's attorneys, the medical investigative staff, physicians retained under contract to and advise the medical coordinators investigation, and authorized clerical staff shall indemnified by the State for any actions occurring within the scope of services on the Medical Disciplinary Board or Licensing Board, done in good faith and not wilful and wanton in nature. The Attorney General shall defend all such actions unless he or she determines either that there would be a conflict of interest in such representation or that the actions complained of were not in good faith or were wilful and wanton.

Should the Attorney General decline representation, the member shall have the right to employ counsel of his or her choice, whose fees shall be provided by the State, after

approval by the Attorney General, unless there is a determination by a court that the member's actions were not in good faith or were wilful and wanton.

The member must notify the Attorney General within 7 days of receipt of notice of the initiation of any action involving services of the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board. Failure to so notify the Attorney General shall constitute an absolute waiver of the right to a defense and indemnification.

The Attorney General shall determine within 7 days after receiving such notice, whether he or she will undertake to represent the member.

(E) Deliberations of <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board. Upon the receipt of any report called for by this Act, other than those reports of impaired persons licensed under this Act required pursuant to the rules of the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board, the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board shall notify in writing, by <u>certified</u> mail <u>or email</u>, the person who is the subject of the report. Such notification shall be made within 30 days of receipt by the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board of the report.

The notification shall include a written notice setting forth the person's right to examine the report. Included in such notification shall be the address at which the file is maintained, the name of the custodian of the reports, and the telephone number at which the custodian may be reached. The person who is the subject of the report shall submit a written statement responding, clarifying, adding to, or proposing the

amending of the report previously filed. The person who is the subject of the report shall also submit with the written statement any medical records related to the report. The statement and accompanying medical records shall become a permanent part of the file and must be received by the Medical Disciplinary Board no more than 30 days after the date on which the person was notified by the Medical Disciplinary Board of the existence of the original report.

The <u>Medical</u> <u>Disciplinary</u> Board shall review all reports received by it, together with any supporting information and responding statements submitted by persons who are the subject of reports. The review by the <u>Medical</u> <u>Disciplinary</u> Board shall be in a timely manner but in no event, shall the <u>Medical</u> <u>Disciplinary</u> Board's initial review of the material contained in each disciplinary file be less than 61 days nor more than 180 days after the receipt of the initial report by the <u>Medical</u> <u>Disciplinary</u> Board.

When the <u>Medical</u> <u>Disciplinary</u> Board makes its initial review of the materials contained within its disciplinary files, the <u>Medical</u> <u>Disciplinary</u> Board shall, in writing, make a determination as to whether there are sufficient facts to warrant further investigation or action. Failure to make such determination within the time provided shall be deemed to be a determination that there are not sufficient facts to warrant further investigation or action.

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not sufficient facts to warrant further investigation, or action, the report shall be accepted for filing and the matter shall be deemed closed and so reported to the Secretary. The Secretary shall then have 30 days to accept the Medical **Disciplinary** Board's decision or request investigation. The Secretary shall inform the Medical Board of the decision to request further investigation, including the specific reasons for the decision. The individual or entity filing the original report or complaint and the person who is the subject of the report or complaint shall be notified in writing by the Secretary of any final action on their report or complaint. The Department shall disclose to the individual or entity who filed the original report or complaint, on request, the status of the <u>Medi</u>cal Disciplinary Board's review of a specific report or complaint. Such request may be made at any time, including prior to the Medical Disciplinary Board's determination as to whether there are sufficient facts to warrant further investigation or action.

(F) Summary reports. The <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board shall prepare, on a timely basis, but in no event less than once every other month, a summary report of final disciplinary actions taken upon disciplinary files maintained by the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board. The summary reports shall be made available to the public upon request and payment of the fees set by the Department. This publication may be made available to the public on the Department's website. Information or

- documentation relating to any disciplinary file that is closed
- 2 without disciplinary action taken shall not be disclosed and
- 3 shall be afforded the same status as is provided by Part 21 of
- 4 Article VIII of the Code of Civil Procedure.
- 5 (G) Any violation of this Section shall be a Class A
- 6 misdemeanor.
- 7 (H) If any such person violates the provisions of this
- 8 Section an action may be brought in the name of the People of
- 9 the State of Illinois, through the Attorney General of the
- 10 State of Illinois, for an order enjoining such violation or
- 11 for an order enforcing compliance with this Section. Upon
- 12 filing of a verified petition in such court, the court may
- issue a temporary restraining order without notice or bond and
- 14 may preliminarily or permanently enjoin such violation, and if
- 15 it is established that such person has violated or is
- 16 violating the injunction, the court may punish the offender
- for contempt of court. Proceedings under this paragraph shall
- be in addition to, and not in lieu of, all other remedies and
- 19 penalties provided for by this Section.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 98-601, eff. 12-30-13; 99-143, eff. 7-27-15.)
- 21 (225 ILCS 60/24) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-24)
- 22 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 23 Sec. 24. Report of violations; medical associations.
- 24 (a) Any physician licensed under this Act, the Illinois
- 25 State Medical Society, the Illinois Association of Osteopathic

- Physicians and Surgeons, the Illinois Chiropractic Society,
 the Illinois Prairie State Chiropractic Association, or any
 component societies of any of these 4 groups, and any other
 person, may report to the Medical Disciplinary Board any
 information the physician, association, society, or person may
 have that appears to show that a physician is or may be in
 violation of any of the provisions of Section 22 of this Act.
 - (b) The Department may enter into agreements with the Illinois State Medical Society, the Illinois Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, the Illinois Prairie State Chiropractic Association, or the Illinois Chiropractic Society to allow these organizations to assist the Medical Disciplinary Board in the review of alleged violations of this Act. Subject to the approval of the Department, any organization party to such an agreement may subcontract with other individuals or organizations to assist in review.
 - (c) Any physician, association, society, or person participating in good faith in the making of a report under this Act or participating in or assisting with an investigation or review under this Act shall have immunity from any civil, criminal, or other liability that might result by reason of those actions.
 - (d) The medical information in the custody of an entity under contract with the Department participating in an investigation or review shall be privileged and confidential to the same extent as are information and reports under the

- provisions of Part 21 of Article VIII of the Code of Civil
 Procedure.
- 3 (e) Upon request by the Department after a mandatory report has been filed with the Department, an attorney for any 5 party seeking to recover damages for injuries or death by 6 reason of medical, hospital, or other healing art malpractice 7 shall provide patient records related to the physician involved in the disciplinary proceeding to the Department 8 9 within 30 days of the Department's request for use by the 10 Department in any disciplinary matter under this Act. An 11 attorney who provides patient records to the Department in 12 accordance with this requirement shall not be deemed to have 13 violated any attorney-client privilege. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, consent by a patient shall not be 14 15 required for the provision of patient records in accordance 16 with this requirement.
- (f) For the purpose of any civil or criminal proceedings, the good faith of any physician, association, society or person shall be presumed.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11; 98-1140, eff. 12-30-14.)
- 21 (225 ILCS 60/25) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-25)
- 22 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- Sec. 25. The Secretary of the Department may, upon receipt of a written communication from the Secretary of Human Services, the Director of Healthcare and Family Services

(formerly Director of Public Aid), or the Director of Public 1 2 Health that continuation of practice of a person licensed under this Act constitutes an immediate danger to the public, 3 and after consultation with the Chief Medical Coordinator or 5 Deputy Medical Coordinator, immediately suspend the license of such person without a hearing. In instances in which the 6 Secretary immediately suspends a license under this Section, a 7 8 hearing upon such person's license must be convened by the 9 Medical Disciplinary Board within 15 days after 10 suspension and completed without appreciable delay. 11 hearing is to be held to determine whether to recommend to the 12 Secretary that the person's license be revoked, suspended, placed on probationary status or reinstated, or whether such 13 14 person should be subject to other disciplinary action. In the 15 hearing, the written communication and any other evidence 16 submitted therewith may be introduced as evidence against such 17 person; provided however, the person, or their counsel, shall have the opportunity to discredit, impeach and submit evidence 18 rebutting such evidence. 19

20 (Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11.)

- 21 (225 ILCS 60/35) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-35)
- 22 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- Sec. 35. The Secretary shall have the authority to appoint an attorney duly licensed to practice law in the State of Illinois to serve as the hearing officer in any action to

suspend, revoke, place on probationary status, or take any 1 2 other disciplinary action with regard to a license. The hearing officer shall have full authority to conduct the 3 hearing. The hearing officer shall report his findings and 5 recommendations to the Medical Disciplinary Board or Licensing Board within 30 days of the receipt of the record. The Medical 6 7 Disciplinary Board or Licensing Board shall have 60 days from receipt of the report to review the report of the hearing 8 9 officer and present their findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendations to the Secretary. 10

- 11 (Source: P.A. 100-429, eff. 8-25-17.)
- 12 (225 ILCS 60/36) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-36)
- 13 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 14 Sec. 36. Investigation; notice.
- 15 (a) Upon the motion of either the Department or the 16 Medical Disciplinary Board or upon the verified complaint in writing of any person setting forth facts which, if proven, 17 would constitute grounds for suspension or revocation under 18 Section 22 of this Act, the Department shall investigate the 19 actions of any person, so accused, who holds or represents 20 21 that he or she holds a license. Such person is hereinafter 22 called the accused.
- 23 (b) The Department shall, before suspending, revoking,
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regard to any license at least 30 days prior to the date set for the hearing, notify the accused in writing of any charges made and the time and place for a hearing of the charges before the Medical Disciplinary Board, direct him or her to file his or her written answer thereto to the Medical Disciplinary Board under oath within 20 days after the service on him or her of such notice and inform him or her that if he or she fails to file such answer default will be taken against him or her and his or her license may be suspended, revoked, placed on probationary status, or have other disciplinary action, including limiting the scope, nature or extent of his or her practice, as the Department may deem proper taken with regard thereto. The Department shall, at least 14 days prior to the date set for the hearing, notify in writing any person who filed a complaint against the accused of the time and place for the hearing of the charges against the accused before the Medical Disciplinary Board and inform such person whether he or she may provide testimony at the hearing.

- (c) (Blank).
- (d) Such written notice and any notice in such proceedings thereafter may be served by personal delivery, email to the respondent's email address of record, or mail to the respondent's address of record.
- (e) All information gathered by the Department during its investigation including information subpoenaed under Section 23 or 38 of this Act and the investigative file shall be kept

for the confidential use of the Secretary, the Medical 1 2 Disciplinary Board, the Medical Coordinators, persons employed 3 by contract to advise the Medical Coordinator or Department, the Medical Disciplinary Board's attorneys, the 5 medical investigative staff, and authorized clerical staff, as provided in this Act and shall be afforded the same status as 6 7 is provided information concerning medical studies in Part 21 of Article VIII of the Code of Civil Procedure, except that the 8 9 Department may disclose information and documents to a 10 federal, State, or local law enforcement agency pursuant to a 11 subpoena in an ongoing criminal investigation to a health care 12 licensing body of this State or another state or jurisdiction 13 pursuant to an official request made by that licensing body. Furthermore, information and documents disclosed to a federal, 14 15 State, or local law enforcement agency may be used by that 16 agency only for the investigation and prosecution of a 17 criminal offense or, in the case of disclosure to a health care licensing body, only for investigations and disciplinary 18 19 action proceedings with regard to a license issued by that 20 licensing body. (Source: P.A. 101-13, eff. 6-12-19; 101-316, eff. 8-9-19; 21 22 revised 9-20-19.)

- 23 (225 ILCS 60/37) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-37)
- 24 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 25 Sec. 37. Disciplinary actions.

- Disciplinary Board provided for in this Act shall proceed to hear the charges, and the accused person shall be accorded ample opportunity to present in person, or by counsel, such statements, testimony, evidence and argument as may be pertinent to the charges or to any defense thereto. The Medical Disciplinary Board may continue such hearing from time to time. If the Medical Disciplinary Board is not sitting at the time and place fixed in the notice or at the time and place to which the hearing has been continued, the Department shall continue such hearing for a period not to exceed 30 days.
- (b) In case the accused person, after receiving notice, fails to file an answer, their license may, in the discretion of the Secretary, having received first the recommendation of the Medical Disciplinary Board, be suspended, revoked or placed on probationary status, or the Secretary may take whatever disciplinary action as he or she may deem proper, including limiting the scope, nature, or extent of said person's practice, without a hearing, if the act or acts charged constitute sufficient grounds for such action under this Act.
- (c) The <u>Medical</u> <u>Disciplinary</u> Board has the authority to recommend to the Secretary that probation be granted or that other disciplinary or non-disciplinary action, including the limitation of the scope, nature or extent of a person's practice, be taken as it deems proper. If disciplinary or

- non-disciplinary action, other than suspension or revocation, 1 2 is taken the Medical Disciplinary Board may recommend that the 3 Secretary impose reasonable limitations and requirements upon the accused registrant to ensure insure compliance with the 5 terms of the probation or other disciplinary action including, but not limited to, regular reporting by the accused to the 6 Department of their actions, placing themselves under the care 7 8 of a qualified physician for treatment, or limiting their 9 practice in such manner as the Secretary may require.
- 10 The Secretary, after consultation with the Chief 11 Medical Coordinator or Deputy Medical Coordinator, 12 temporarily suspend the license of a physician without a hearing, simultaneously with the institution of proceedings 13 for a hearing provided under this Section if the Secretary 14 15 finds that evidence in his or her possession indicates that a 16 physician's continuation in practice would constitute an 17 immediate danger to the public. In the event that the Secretary suspends, temporarily, the license of a physician 18 without a hearing, a hearing by the Medical Disciplinary Board 19 20 shall be held within 15 days after such suspension has 21 occurred and shall be concluded without appreciable delay.
- 22 (Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11; 98-1140, eff. 12-30-14.)
- 23 (225 ILCS 60/38) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-38)
- 24 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- Sec. 38. Subpoena; oaths.

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- (a) The <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board or Department has power to subpoena and bring before it any person in this State and to take testimony either orally or by deposition, or both, with the same fees and mileage and in the same manner as is prescribed by law for judicial procedure in civil cases.
- (b) The Medical Disciplinary Board or Department, upon a determination that probable cause exists that a violation of one or more of the grounds for discipline listed in Section 22 has occurred or is occurring, may subpoen the medical and hospital records of individual patients of physicians licensed under this Act, provided, that prior to the submission of such records to the Medical Disciplinary Board, all information indicating the identity of the patient shall be removed and Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Disciplinary Board and Department shall possess the power to subpoena copies of hospital or medical records in mandatory report cases under Section 23 alleging death or permanent bodily injury when consent to obtain records is not provided by a patient or legal representative. Prior to submission of the records to the Medical Disciplinary Board, all information indicating the identity of the patient shall be removed and deleted. All medical records and other information received pursuant to subpoena shall be confidential and shall be afforded the same status as is proved information concerning medical studies in Part 21 of Article VIII of the Code of Civil Procedure. The use of such records shall be restricted to

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members of the Medical Disciplinary Board, the medical coordinators, and appropriate staff of the Department designated by the Medical Disciplinary Board for the purpose of determining the existence of one or more grounds for discipline of the physician as provided for by Section 22 of this Act. Any such review of individual patients' records shall be conducted by the <u>Medical</u> Disciplinary Board in strict confidentiality, provided that such patient records shall be admissible in a disciplinary hearing, before the Medical Disciplinary Board, when necessary to substantiate the grounds for discipline alleged against the physician licensed under this Act, and provided further, that nothing herein shall be deemed to supersede the provisions of Part 21 of Article VIII of the "Code of Civil Procedure", as now or hereafter amended, to the extent applicable.

- (c) The Secretary, hearing officer, and any member of the Medical Disciplinary Board each have power to administer oaths at any hearing which the Medical Disciplinary Board or Department is authorized by law to conduct.
- (d) The <u>Medical</u> <u>Disciplinary</u> Board, upon a determination that probable cause exists that a violation of one or more of the grounds for discipline listed in Section 22 has occurred or is occurring on the business premises of a physician licensed under this Act, may issue an order authorizing an appropriately qualified investigator employed by the Department to enter upon the business premises with due

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consideration for patient care of the subject of 1 the investigation so as to inspect the physical premises and 2 equipment and furnishings therein. No such order shall include 3 the right of inspection of business, medical, or personnel 5 records located on the premises. For purposes of this Section, 6 "business premises" is defined as the office or offices where 7 the physician conducts the practice of medicine. Any such 8 order shall expire and become void five business days after 9 its issuance by the Medical Disciplinary Board. The execution 10 of any such order shall be valid only during the normal 11 business hours of the facility or office to be inspected.

13 (225 ILCS 60/39) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-39)

(Source: P.A. 101-316, eff. 8-9-19.)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)

Sec. 39. Certified shorthand reporter; record. The Department, at its expense, shall provide a certified shorthand reporter to take down the testimony and preserve a record of all proceedings at the hearing of any case wherein a license may be revoked, suspended, placed on probationary status, or other disciplinary action taken with regard thereto in accordance with Section 2105-115 of the Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. The notice of hearing, complaint and all other documents in the nature of pleadings and written motions filed in the proceedings, the transcript of testimony, the report of

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- 1 the hearing officer, exhibits, the report of the Medical
- 2 Board, and the orders of the Department constitute the record
- 3 of the proceedings.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 100-429, eff. 8-25-17; 101-316, eff. 8-9-19.)
- 5 (225 ILCS 60/40) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-40)
- 6 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 7 Sec. 40. Findings and recommendations; rehearing.
- (a) The Medical Disciplinary Board shall present to the 8 9 Secretary а written report of its findings and 10 recommendations. A copy of such report shall be served upon 11 the accused person, either personally or by mail or email. 12 Within 20 days after such service, the accused person may 13 present to the Department his or her motion, in writing, for a 14 rehearing, which written motion shall specify the particular 15 ground therefor. If the accused person orders and pays for a 16 transcript of the record as provided in Section 39, the time elapsing thereafter and before such transcript is ready for 17 18 delivery to them shall not be counted as part of such 20 days.
 - (b) At the expiration of the time allowed for filing a motion for rehearing, the Secretary may take the action recommended by the <u>Medical Disciplinary</u> Board. Upon the suspension, revocation, placement on probationary status, or the taking of any other disciplinary action, including the limiting of the scope, nature, or extent of one's practice, deemed proper by the Department, with regard to the license or

- permit, the accused shall surrender his or her license or permit to the Department, if ordered to do so by the Department, and upon his or her failure or refusal so to do, the Department may seize the same.
 - other disciplinary action shall contain a brief, concise statement of the ground or grounds upon which the Department's action is based, as well as the specific terms and conditions of such action. This document shall be retained as a permanent record by the Disciplinary Board and the Secretary.
 - (d) (Blank). The Department shall at least annually publish a list of the names of all persons disciplined under this Act in the preceding 12 months. Such lists shall be available by the Department on its website.
 - (e) In those instances where an order of revocation, suspension, or other disciplinary action has been rendered by virtue of a physician's physical illness, including, but not limited to, deterioration through the aging process, or loss of motor skill which results in a physician's inability to practice medicine with reasonable judgment, skill, or safety, the Department shall only permit this document, and the record of the hearing incident thereto, to be observed, inspected, viewed, or copied pursuant to court order.
- 24 (Source: P.A. 101-316, eff. 8-9-19.)
 - (225 ILCS 60/41) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-41)

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- 1 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 2 Sec. 41. Administrative review; certification of record.
 - (a) All final administrative decisions of the Department are subject to judicial review pursuant to the Administrative Review Law and its rules. The term "administrative decision" is defined as in Section 3-101 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
 - (b) Proceedings for judicial review shall be commenced in the circuit court of the county in which the party applying for review resides; but if the party is not a resident of this State, the venue shall be in Sangamon County.
 - (c) The Department shall not be required to certify any record to the court, to file an answer in court, or to otherwise appear in any court in a judicial review proceeding unless and until the Department has received from the plaintiff payment of the costs of furnishing and certifying the record, which costs shall be determined by the Department. Exhibits shall be certified without cost. Failure on the part of the plaintiff to file a receipt in court shall be grounds for dismissal of the action. During the pendency and hearing judicial proceedings incident any and all to the disciplinary action the sanctions imposed upon the accused by the Department because of acts or omissions related to the delivery of direct patient care as specified in Department's final administrative decision, shall as a matter of public policy remain in full force and effect in order to protect the public pending final resolution of any of the

- 1 proceedings.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11; 98-1140, eff. 12-30-14.)
- 3 (225 ILCS 60/42) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-42)
- 4 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 5 Sec. 42. An order of revocation, suspension, placing the
- 6 license on probationary status, or other formal disciplinary
- 7 action as the Department may deem proper, or a certified copy
- 8 thereof, over the seal of the Department and purporting to be
- 9 signed by the Secretary, is prima facie proof that:
- 10 (a) Such signature is the genuine signature of the
- 11 Secretary;
- 12 (b) The Secretary is duly appointed and qualified; and
- 13 (c) The Medical Disciplinary Board and the members
- thereof are qualified.
- 15 Such proof may be rebutted.
- 16 (Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11.)
- 17 (225 ILCS 60/44) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-44)
- 18 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 19 Sec. 44. None of the disciplinary functions, powers and
- 20 duties enumerated in this Act shall be exercised by the
- 21 Department except upon the action and report in writing of the
- 22 Medical Disciplinary Board.
- In all instances, under this Act, in which the <u>Medical</u>
- 24 Disciplinary Board has rendered a recommendation to the

- 1 Secretary with respect to a particular physician, the
- 2 Secretary may take action contrary to the recommendation of
- 3 <u>the Medical Board. In shall, in</u> the event that <u>the Secretary he</u>
- 4 or she disagrees with or takes action contrary to the
- 5 recommendation of the Medical Disciplinary Board, file with
- 6 the Medical Disciplinary Board his or her specific written
- 7 reasons of disagreement with the <u>Medical</u> Disciplinary Board.
- 8 Such reasons shall be filed within 30 days of the occurrence of
- 9 the Secretary's contrary position having been taken.
- 10 The action and report in writing of a majority of the
- 11 Medical Disciplinary Board designated is sufficient authority
- 12 upon which the Secretary may act.
- 13 Whenever the Secretary is satisfied that substantial
- 14 justice has not been done either in an examination, or in a
- 15 formal disciplinary action, or refusal to restore a license,
- 16 he or she may order a reexamination or rehearing by the same or
- 17 other examiners.
- 18 (Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11.)
- 19 (225 ILCS 60/47) (from Ch. 111, par. 4400-47)
- 20 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2022)
- 21 Sec. 47. Administrative Procedure Act. The Illinois
- 22 Administrative Procedure Act is hereby expressly adopted and
- 23 incorporated herein as if all of the provisions of that Act
- 24 were included in this Act, except that the provision of
- 25 subsection (d) of Section 10-65 of the Illinois Administrative

- 1 Procedure Act that provides that at hearings the licensee has
- 2 the right to show compliance with all lawful requirements for
- 3 retention, continuation or renewal of the license is
- 4 specifically excluded. For the purposes of this Act the notice
- 5 required under Section 10-25 of the Illinois Administrative
- 6 Procedure Act is deemed sufficient when mailed or emailed to
- 7 the address of record of a party.
- 8 (Source: P.A. 97-622, eff. 11-23-11.)

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