SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4066

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code,"

(MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 16189; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 16189. (1) BEGINNING 180 DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF
- 2 THIS SECTION, THE INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT IS ENACTED
- 3 INTO LAW AND ENTERED INTO BY THIS STATE AS A PARTY WITH ALL
- 4 JURISDICTIONS THAT LEGALLY JOIN IN THE COMPACT, IN THE FORM
- 5 SUBSTANTIALLY AS FOLLOWS:
- 6 INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT
- 7 SECTION 1. PURPOSE
- 8 IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE, AND IN RECOGNITION OF
- 9 THE ADVANCES IN THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE, THE MEMBER STATES OF
- 10 THE INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT HAVE ALLIED IN COMMON

- 1 PURPOSE TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE PROCESS THAT COMPLEMENTS THE
- 2 EXISTING LICENSING AND REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF STATE MEDICAL
- 3 BOARDS, PROVIDES A STREAMLINED PROCESS THAT ALLOWS PHYSICIANS TO
- 4 BECOME LICENSED IN MULTIPLE STATES, THEREBY ENHANCING THE
- 5 PORTABILITY OF A MEDICAL LICENSE AND ENSURING THE SAFETY OF
- 6 PATIENTS. THE COMPACT CREATES ANOTHER PATHWAY FOR LICENSURE AND
- 7 DOES NOT OTHERWISE CHANGE A STATE'S EXISTING MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT.
- 8 THE COMPACT ALSO ADOPTS THE PREVAILING STANDARD FOR LICENSURE AND
- 9 AFFIRMS THAT THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE OCCURS WHERE THE PATIENT IS
- 10 LOCATED AT THE TIME OF THE PHYSICIAN-PATIENT ENCOUNTER, AND
- 11 THEREFORE, REQUIRES THE PHYSICIAN TO BE UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF
- 12 THE STATE MEDICAL BOARD WHERE THE PATIENT IS LOCATED. STATE MEDICAL
- 13 BOARDS THAT PARTICIPATE IN THE COMPACT RETAIN THE JURISDICTION TO
- 14 IMPOSE AN ADVERSE ACTION AGAINST A LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE IN
- 15 THAT STATE ISSUED TO A PHYSICIAN THROUGH THE PROCEDURES IN THE
- 16 COMPACT.
- 17 SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS
- 18 IN THIS COMPACT:
- 19 (A) "BYLAWS" MEANS THOSE BYLAWS ESTABLISHED BY THE INTERSTATE
- 20 COMMISSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 11 FOR ITS GOVERNANCE, OR FOR
- 21 DIRECTING AND CONTROLLING ITS ACTIONS AND CONDUCT.
- 22 (B) "COMMISSIONER" MEANS THE VOTING REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTED
- 23 BY EACH MEMBER BOARD PURSUANT TO SECTION 11.
- 24 (C) "CONVICTION" MEANS A FINDING BY A COURT THAT AN INDIVIDUAL
- 25 IS GUILTY OF A CRIMINAL OFFENSE THROUGH ADJUDICATION, OR ENTRY OF A
- 26 PLEA OF GUILT OR NO CONTEST TO THE CHARGE BY THE OFFENDER. EVIDENCE
- 27 OF AN ENTRY OF A CONVICTION OF A CRIMINAL OFFENSE BY THE COURT

- 1 SHALL BE CONSIDERED FINAL FOR PURPOSES OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY A
- 2 MEMBER BOARD.
- 3 (D) "EXPEDITED LICENSE" MEANS A FULL AND UNRESTRICTED MEDICAL
- 4 LICENSE GRANTED BY A MEMBER STATE TO AN ELIGIBLE PHYSICIAN THROUGH
- 5 THE PROCESS SET FORTH IN THE COMPACT.
- 6 (E) "INTERSTATE COMMISSION" MEANS THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION
- 7 CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 11.
- 8 (F) "LICENSE" MEANS AUTHORIZATION BY A STATE FOR A PHYSICIAN
- 9 TO ENGAGE IN THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE, WHICH WOULD BE UNLAWFUL
- 10 WITHOUT THE AUTHORIZATION.
- 11 (G) "MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT" MEANS LAWS AND REGULATIONS
- 12 GOVERNING THE PRACTICE OF ALLOPATHIC AND OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE
- 13 WITHIN A MEMBER STATE.
- 14 (H) "MEMBER BOARD" MEANS A STATE AGENCY IN A MEMBER STATE THAT
- 15 ACTS IN THE SOVEREIGN INTERESTS OF THE STATE BY PROTECTING THE
- 16 PUBLIC THROUGH LICENSURE, REGULATION, AND EDUCATION OF PHYSICIANS
- 17 AS DIRECTED BY THE STATE GOVERNMENT.
- 18 (I) "MEMBER STATE" MEANS A STATE THAT HAS ENACTED THE COMPACT.
- 19 (J) "PRACTICE OF MEDICINE" MEANS THE DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT,
- 20 PREVENTION, CURE, OR RELIEVING OF A HUMAN DISEASE, AILMENT, DEFECT,
- 21 COMPLAINT, OR OTHER PHYSICAL OR MENTAL CONDITION, BY ATTENDANCE,
- 22 ADVICE, DEVICE, DIAGNOSTIC TEST, OR OTHER MEANS, OR OFFERING,
- 23 UNDERTAKING, ATTEMPTING TO DO, OR HOLDING ONESELF OUT AS ABLE TO
- 24 DO, ANY OF THESE ACTS.
- 25 (K) "PHYSICIAN" MEANS ANY PERSON WHO:
- 26 (1) IS A GRADUATE OF A MEDICAL SCHOOL ACCREDITED BY THE
- 27 LIAISON COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL EDUCATION, THE COMMISSION ON

- 1 OSTEOPATHIC COLLEGE ACCREDITATION, OR A MEDICAL SCHOOL LISTED IN
- 2 THE INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL EDUCATION DIRECTORY OR ITS EQUIVALENT;
- 3 (2) PASSED EACH COMPONENT OF THE UNITED STATES MEDICAL
- 4 LICENSING EXAMINATION (USMLE) OR THE COMPREHENSIVE OSTEOPATHIC
- 5 MEDICAL LICENSING EXAMINATION (COMLEX-USA) WITHIN THREE ATTEMPTS,
- 6 OR ANY OF ITS PREDECESSOR EXAMINATIONS ACCEPTED BY A STATE MEDICAL
- 7 BOARD AS AN EQUIVALENT EXAMINATION FOR LICENSURE PURPOSES;
- 8 (3) SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION APPROVED
- 9 BY THE ACCREDITATION COUNCIL FOR GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION OR THE
- 10 AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION;
- 11 (4) HOLDS SPECIALTY CERTIFICATION OR A TIME-UNLIMITED
- 12 SPECIALTY CERTIFICATE RECOGNIZED BY THE AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL
- 13 SPECIALTIES OR THE AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION'S BUREAU OF
- 14 OSTEOPATHIC SPECIALISTS; HOWEVER, THE SPECIALTY CERTIFICATION OR A
- 15 TIME-UNLIMITED SPECIALTY CERTIFICATE DOES NOT HAVE TO BE MAINTAINED
- 16 ONCE A PHYSICIAN IS INITIALLY DETERMINED TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR
- 17 EXPEDITED LICENSURE THROUGH THE COMPACT;
- 18 (5) POSSESSES A FULL AND UNRESTRICTED LICENSE TO ENGAGE IN THE
- 19 PRACTICE OF MEDICINE ISSUED BY A MEMBER BOARD;
- 20 (6) HAS NEVER BEEN CONVICTED, RECEIVED ADJUDICATION, DEFERRED
- 21 ADJUDICATION, COMMUNITY SUPERVISION, OR DEFERRED DISPOSITION FOR
- 22 ANY OFFENSE BY A COURT OF APPROPRIATE JURISDICTION;
- 23 (7) HAS NEVER HELD A LICENSE AUTHORIZING THE PRACTICE OF
- 24 MEDICINE SUBJECTED TO DISCIPLINE BY A LICENSING AGENCY IN ANY
- 25 STATE, FEDERAL, OR FOREIGN JURISDICTION, EXCLUDING ANY ACTION
- 26 RELATED TO NON-PAYMENT OF FEES RELATED TO A LICENSE;
- 27 (8) HAS NEVER HAD A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE LICENSE OR PERMIT

- 1 SUSPENDED OR REVOKED BY A STATE OR THE UNITED STATES DRUG
- 2 ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION; AND
- 3 (9) IS NOT UNDER ACTIVE INVESTIGATION BY A LICENSING AGENCY OR
- 4 LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY IN ANY STATE, FEDERAL, OR FOREIGN
- 5 JURISDICTION.
- 6 (1) "OFFENSE" MEANS A FELONY, HIGH COURT MISDEMEANOR, OR CRIME
- 7 OF MORAL TURPITUDE.
- 8 (M) "RULE" MEANS A WRITTEN STATEMENT BY THE INTERSTATE
- 9 COMMISSION PROMULGATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12 OF THE COMPACT THAT
- 10 IS OF GENERAL APPLICABILITY, IMPLEMENTS, INTERPRETS, OR PRESCRIBES
- 11 A POLICY OR PROVISION OF THE COMPACT, OR AN ORGANIZATIONAL,
- 12 PROCEDURAL, OR PRACTICE REQUIREMENT OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION,
- 13 AND HAS THE FORCE AND EFFECT OF STATUTORY LAW IN A MEMBER STATE, IF
- 14 THE RULE IS NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE LAWS OF THE MEMBER STATE. THE
- 15 TERM INCLUDES THE AMENDMENT, REPEAL, OR SUSPENSION OF AN EXISTING
- 16 RULE.
- 17 (N) "STATE" MEANS ANY STATE, COMMONWEALTH, DISTRICT, OR
- 18 TERRITORY OF THE UNITED STATES.
- 19 (O) "STATE OF PRINCIPAL LICENSE" MEANS A MEMBER STATE WHERE A
- 20 PHYSICIAN HOLDS A LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND WHICH HAS BEEN
- 21 DESIGNATED AS SUCH BY THE PHYSICIAN FOR PURPOSES OF REGISTRATION
- 22 AND PARTICIPATION IN THE COMPACT.
- 23 SECTION 3. ELIGIBILITY
- 24 (A) A PHYSICIAN MUST MEET THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AS
- 25 DEFINED IN SECTION 2(K) TO RECEIVE AN EXPEDITED LICENSE UNDER THE
- 26 TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF THE COMPACT.
- 27 (B) A PHYSICIAN WHO DOES NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION

- 1 2 (K) MAY OBTAIN A LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE IN A MEMBER STATE IF
- 2 THE INDIVIDUAL COMPLIES WITH ALL LAWS AND REQUIREMENTS, OTHER THAN
- 3 THE COMPACT, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF A LICENSE TO PRACTICE
- 4 MEDICINE IN THAT STATE.
- 5 SECTION 4. DESIGNATION OF STATE OF PRINCIPAL LICENSE
- 6 (A) A PHYSICIAN SHALL DESIGNATE A MEMBER STATE AS THE STATE OF
- 7 PRINCIPAL LICENSE FOR PURPOSES OF REGISTRATION FOR EXPEDITED
- 8 LICENSURE THROUGH THE COMPACT IF THE PHYSICIAN POSSESSES A FULL AND
- 9 UNRESTRICTED LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE IN THAT STATE, AND THE
- 10 STATE IS:
- 11 (1) THE STATE OF PRIMARY RESIDENCE FOR THE PHYSICIAN, OR
- 12 (2) THE STATE WHERE AT LEAST 25% OF THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE
- 13 OCCURS, OR
- 14 (3) THE LOCATION OF THE PHYSICIAN'S EMPLOYER, OR
- 15 (4) IF NO STATE QUALIFIES UNDER SUBSECTION (1), SUBSECTION
- 16 (2), OR SUBSECTION (3), THE STATE DESIGNATED AS STATE OF RESIDENCE
- 17 FOR PURPOSE OF FEDERAL INCOME TAX.
- 18 (B) A PHYSICIAN MAY REDESIGNATE A MEMBER STATE AS STATE OF
- 19 PRINCIPAL LICENSE AT ANY TIME, AS LONG AS THE STATE MEETS THE
- 20 REQUIREMENTS IN SUBSECTION (A).
- 21 (C) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION IS AUTHORIZED TO DEVELOP RULES
- 22 TO FACILITATE REDESIGNATION OF ANOTHER MEMBER STATE AS THE STATE OF
- 23 PRINCIPAL LICENSE.
- 24 SECTION 5. APPLICATION AND ISSUANCE OF EXPEDITED LICENSURE
- 25 (A) A PHYSICIAN SEEKING LICENSURE THROUGH THE COMPACT SHALL
- 26 FILE AN APPLICATION FOR AN EXPEDITED LICENSE WITH THE MEMBER BOARD
- 27 OF THE STATE SELECTED BY THE PHYSICIAN AS THE STATE OF PRINCIPAL

- 1 LICENSE.
- 2 (B) UPON RECEIPT OF AN APPLICATION FOR AN EXPEDITED LICENSE,
- 3 THE MEMBER BOARD WITHIN THE STATE SELECTED AS THE STATE OF
- 4 PRINCIPAL LICENSE SHALL EVALUATE WHETHER THE PHYSICIAN IS ELIGIBLE
- 5 FOR EXPEDITED LICENSURE AND ISSUE A LETTER OF QUALIFICATION,
- 6 VERIFYING OR DENYING THE PHYSICIAN'S ELIGIBILITY, TO THE INTERSTATE
- 7 COMMISSION.
- 8 (i) STATIC QUALIFICATIONS, WHICH INCLUDE VERIFICATION OF
- 9 MEDICAL EDUCATION, GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION, RESULTS OF ANY
- 10 MEDICAL OR LICENSING EXAMINATION, AND OTHER QUALIFICATIONS AS
- 11 DETERMINED BY THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION THROUGH RULE, SHALL NOT BE
- 12 SUBJECT TO ADDITIONAL PRIMARY SOURCE VERIFICATION WHERE ALREADY
- 13 PRIMARY SOURCE VERIFIED BY THE STATE OF PRINCIPAL LICENSE.
- 14 (ii) THE MEMBER BOARD WITHIN THE STATE SELECTED AS THE STATE
- 15 OF PRINCIPAL LICENSE SHALL, IN THE COURSE OF VERIFYING ELIGIBILITY,
- 16 PERFORM A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK OF AN APPLICANT, INCLUDING THE
- 17 USE OF THE RESULTS OF FINGERPRINT OR OTHER BIOMETRIC DATA CHECKS
- 18 COMPLIANT WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF
- 19 INVESTIGATION, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF FEDERAL EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE
- 20 SUITABILITY DETERMINATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH U.S. CFR §731.202.
- 21 (iii) APPEAL ON THE DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY SHALL BE MADE
- 22 TO THE MEMBER STATE WHERE THE APPLICATION WAS FILED AND SHALL BE
- 23 SUBJECT TO THE LAW OF THAT STATE.
- 24 (C) UPON VERIFICATION IN SUBSECTION (B), PHYSICIANS ELIGIBLE
- 25 FOR AN EXPEDITED LICENSE SHALL COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION PROCESS
- 26 ESTABLISHED BY THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION TO RECEIVE A LICENSE IN A
- 27 MEMBER STATE SELECTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (A), INCLUDING THE

- 1 PAYMENT OF ANY APPLICABLE FEES.
- 2 (D) AFTER RECEIVING VERIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER
- 3 SUBSECTION (B) AND ANY FEES UNDER SUBSECTION (C), A MEMBER BOARD
- 4 SHALL ISSUE AN EXPEDITED LICENSE TO THE PHYSICIAN. THIS LICENSE
- 5 SHALL AUTHORIZE THE PHYSICIAN TO PRACTICE MEDICINE IN THE ISSUING
- 6 STATE CONSISTENT WITH THE MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT AND ALL APPLICABLE
- 7 LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF THE ISSUING MEMBER BOARD AND MEMBER STATE.
- 8 (E) AN EXPEDITED LICENSE SHALL BE VALID FOR A PERIOD
- 9 CONSISTENT WITH THE LICENSURE PERIOD IN THE MEMBER STATE AND IN THE
- 10 SAME MANNER AS REQUIRED FOR OTHER PHYSICIANS HOLDING A FULL AND
- 11 UNRESTRICTED LICENSE WITHIN THE MEMBER STATE.
- 12 (F) AN EXPEDITED LICENSE OBTAINED THROUGH THE COMPACT SHALL BE
- 13 TERMINATED IF A PHYSICIAN FAILS TO MAINTAIN A LICENSE IN THE STATE
- 14 OF PRINCIPAL LICENSURE FOR A NON-DISCIPLINARY REASON, WITHOUT
- 15 REDESIGNATION OF A NEW STATE OF PRINCIPAL LICENSURE.
- 16 (G) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION IS AUTHORIZED TO DEVELOP RULES
- 17 REGARDING THE APPLICATION PROCESS, INCLUDING PAYMENT OF ANY
- 18 APPLICABLE FEES, AND THE ISSUANCE OF AN EXPEDITED LICENSE.
- 19 SECTION 6. FEES FOR EXPEDITED LICENSURE
- 20 (A) A MEMBER STATE ISSUING AN EXPEDITED LICENSE AUTHORIZING
- 21 THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE IN THAT STATE, OR THE REGULATING AUTHORITY
- 22 OF THE MEMBER STATE, MAY IMPOSE A FEE FOR A LICENSE ISSUED OR
- 23 RENEWED THROUGH THE COMPACT.
- 24 (B) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION IS AUTHORIZED TO DEVELOP RULES
- 25 REGARDING FEES FOR EXPEDITED LICENSES. HOWEVER, THOSE RULES SHALL
- 26 NOT LIMIT THE AUTHORITY OF A MEMBER STATE, OR THE REGULATING
- 27 AUTHORITY OF THE MEMBER STATE, TO IMPOSE AND DETERMINE THE AMOUNT

- 1 OF A FEE UNDER SUBSECTION (A).
- 2 SECTION 7. RENEWAL AND CONTINUED PARTICIPATION
- 3 (A) A PHYSICIAN SEEKING TO RENEW AN EXPEDITED LICENSE GRANTED
- 4 IN A MEMBER STATE SHALL COMPLETE A RENEWAL PROCESS WITH THE
- 5 INTERSTATE COMMISSION IF THE PHYSICIAN:
- 6 (1) MAINTAINS A FULL AND UNRESTRICTED LICENSE IN A STATE OF
- 7 PRINCIPAL LICENSE;
- 8 (2) HAS NOT BEEN CONVICTED, RECEIVED ADJUDICATION, DEFERRED
- 9 ADJUDICATION, COMMUNITY SUPERVISION, OR DEFERRED DISPOSITION FOR
- 10 ANY OFFENSE BY A COURT OF APPROPRIATE JURISDICTION;
- 11 (3) HAS NOT HAD A LICENSE AUTHORIZING THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE
- 12 SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINE BY A LICENSING AGENCY IN ANY STATE, FEDERAL,
- 13 OR FOREIGN JURISDICTION, EXCLUDING ANY ACTION RELATED TO NON-
- 14 PAYMENT OF FEES RELATED TO A LICENSE; AND
- 15 (4) HAS NOT HAD A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE LICENSE OR PERMIT
- 16 SUSPENDED OR REVOKED BY A STATE OR THE UNITED STATES DRUG
- 17 ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION.
- 18 (B) PHYSICIANS SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL
- 19 DEVELOPMENT OR CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR
- 20 RENEWAL OF A LICENSE ISSUED BY A MEMBER STATE.
- 21 (C) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL COLLECT ANY RENEWAL FEES
- 22 CHARGED FOR THE RENEWAL OF A LICENSE AND DISTRIBUTE THE FEES TO THE
- 23 APPLICABLE MEMBER BOARD.
- 24 (D) UPON RECEIPT OF ANY RENEWAL FEES COLLECTED IN SUBSECTION
- 25 (C), A MEMBER BOARD SHALL RENEW THE PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE.
- 26 (E) PHYSICIAN INFORMATION COLLECTED BY THE INTERSTATE
- 27 COMMISSION DURING THE RENEWAL PROCESS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO ALL

- 1 MEMBER BOARDS.
- 2 (F) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION IS AUTHORIZED TO DEVELOP RULES
- 3 TO ADDRESS RENEWAL OF LICENSES OBTAINED THROUGH THE COMPACT.
- 4 SECTION 8. COORDINATED INFORMATION SYSTEM
- 5 (A) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL ESTABLISH A DATABASE OF
- 6 ALL PHYSICIANS LICENSED, OR WHO HAVE APPLIED FOR LICENSURE, UNDER
- 7 SECTION 5.
- 8 (B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, MEMBER BOARDS
- 9 SHALL REPORT TO THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION ANY PUBLIC ACTION OR
- 10 COMPLAINTS AGAINST A LICENSED PHYSICIAN WHO HAS APPLIED OR RECEIVED
- 11 AN EXPEDITED LICENSE THROUGH THE COMPACT.
- 12 (C) MEMBER BOARDS SHALL REPORT DISCIPLINARY OR INVESTIGATORY
- 13 INFORMATION DETERMINED AS NECESSARY AND PROPER BY RULE OF THE
- 14 INTERSTATE COMMISSION.
- 15 (D) MEMBER BOARDS MAY REPORT ANY NON-PUBLIC COMPLAINT,
- 16 DISCIPLINARY, OR INVESTIGATORY INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED BY
- 17 SUBSECTION (C) TO THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION.
- 18 (E) MEMBER BOARDS SHALL SHARE COMPLAINT OR DISCIPLINARY
- 19 INFORMATION ABOUT A PHYSICIAN UPON REQUEST OF ANOTHER MEMBER BOARD.
- 20 (F) ALL INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION OR
- 21 DISTRIBUTED BY MEMBER BOARDS SHALL BE CONFIDENTIAL, FILED UNDER
- 22 SEAL, AND USED ONLY FOR INVESTIGATORY OR DISCIPLINARY MATTERS.
- 23 (G) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION IS AUTHORIZED TO DEVELOP RULES
- 24 FOR MANDATED OR DISCRETIONARY SHARING OF INFORMATION BY MEMBER
- 25 BOARDS.
- 26 SECTION 9. JOINT INVESTIGATIONS
- 27 (A) LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINARY RECORDS OF PHYSICIANS ARE

- 1 DEEMED INVESTIGATIVE.
- 2 (B) IN ADDITION TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED TO A MEMBER BOARD BY
- 3 ITS RESPECTIVE MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT OR OTHER APPLICABLE STATE LAW,
- 4 A MEMBER BOARD MAY PARTICIPATE WITH OTHER MEMBER BOARDS IN JOINT
- 5 INVESTIGATIONS OF PHYSICIANS LICENSED BY THE MEMBER BOARDS.
- 6 (C) A SUBPOENA ISSUED BY A MEMBER STATE SHALL BE ENFORCEABLE
- 7 IN OTHER MEMBER STATES.
- 8 (D) MEMBER BOARDS MAY SHARE ANY INVESTIGATIVE, LITIGATION, OR
- 9 COMPLIANCE MATERIALS IN FURTHERANCE OF ANY JOINT OR INDIVIDUAL
- 10 INVESTIGATION INITIATED UNDER THE COMPACT.
- 11 (E) ANY MEMBER STATE MAY INVESTIGATE ACTUAL OR ALLEGED
- 12 VIOLATIONS OF THE STATUTES AUTHORIZING THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE IN
- 13 ANY OTHER MEMBER STATE IN WHICH A PHYSICIAN HOLDS A LICENSE TO
- 14 PRACTICE MEDICINE.
- 15 SECTION 10. DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS
- 16 (A) ANY DISCIPLINARY ACTION TAKEN BY ANY MEMBER BOARD AGAINST
- 17 A PHYSICIAN LICENSED THROUGH THE COMPACT SHALL BE DEEMED
- 18 UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT WHICH MAY BE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINE BY OTHER
- 19 MEMBER BOARDS, IN ADDITION TO ANY VIOLATION OF THE MEDICAL PRACTICE
- 20 ACT OR REGULATIONS IN THAT STATE.
- 21 (B) IF A LICENSE GRANTED TO A PHYSICIAN BY THE MEMBER BOARD IN
- 22 THE STATE OF PRINCIPAL LICENSE IS REVOKED, SURRENDERED OR
- 23 RELINQUISHED IN LIEU OF DISCIPLINE, OR SUSPENDED, THEN ALL LICENSES
- 24 ISSUED TO THE PHYSICIAN BY MEMBER BOARDS SHALL AUTOMATICALLY BE
- 25 PLACED, WITHOUT FURTHER ACTION NECESSARY BY ANY MEMBER BOARD, ON
- 26 THE SAME STATUS. IF THE MEMBER BOARD IN THE STATE OF PRINCIPAL
- 27 LICENSE SUBSEQUENTLY REINSTATES THE PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE, A LICENSE

- 1 ISSUED TO THE PHYSICIAN BY ANY OTHER MEMBER BOARD SHALL REMAIN
- 2 ENCUMBERED UNTIL THAT RESPECTIVE MEMBER BOARD TAKES ACTION TO
- 3 REINSTATE THE LICENSE IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE MEDICAL
- 4 PRACTICE ACT OF THAT STATE.
- 5 (C) IF DISCIPLINARY ACTION IS TAKEN AGAINST A PHYSICIAN BY A
- 6 MEMBER BOARD NOT IN THE STATE OF PRINCIPAL LICENSE, ANY OTHER
- 7 MEMBER BOARD MAY DEEM THE ACTION CONCLUSIVE AS TO MATTER OF LAW AND
- 8 FACT DECIDED, AND:
- 9 (i) IMPOSE THE SAME OR LESSER SANCTION(S) AGAINST THE
- 10 PHYSICIAN SO LONG AS SUCH SANCTIONS ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE MEDICAL
- 11 PRACTICE ACT OF THAT STATE;
- 12 (ii) OR PURSUE SEPARATE DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST THE
- 13 PHYSICIAN UNDER ITS RESPECTIVE MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT, REGARDLESS OF
- 14 THE ACTION TAKEN IN OTHER MEMBER STATES.
- 15 (D) IF A LICENSE GRANTED TO A PHYSICIAN BY A MEMBER BOARD IS
- 16 REVOKED, SURRENDERED OR RELINQUISHED IN LIEU OF DISCIPLINE, OR
- 17 SUSPENDED, THEN ANY LICENSE(S) ISSUED TO THE PHYSICIAN BY ANY OTHER
- 18 MEMBER BOARD(S) SHALL BE SUSPENDED, AUTOMATICALLY AND IMMEDIATELY
- 19 WITHOUT FURTHER ACTION NECESSARY BY THE OTHER MEMBER BOARD(S), FOR
- 20 NINETY (90) DAYS UPON ENTRY OF THE ORDER BY THE DISCIPLINING BOARD,
- 21 TO PERMIT THE MEMBER BOARD(S) TO INVESTIGATE THE BASIS FOR THE
- 22 ACTION UNDER THE MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT OF THAT STATE. A MEMBER BOARD
- 23 MAY TERMINATE THE AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION OF THE LICENSE IT ISSUED
- 24 PRIOR TO THE COMPLETION OF THE NINETY (90) DAY SUSPENSION PERIOD IN
- 25 A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT OF THAT STATE.
- 26 SECTION 11. INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT COMMISSION
- 27 (A) THE MEMBER STATES HEREBY CREATE THE "INTERSTATE MEDICAL

- 1 LICENSURE COMPACT COMMISSION".
- 2 (B) THE PURPOSE OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION IS THE
- 3 ADMINISTRATION OF THE INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT, WHICH
- 4 IS A DISCRETIONARY STATE FUNCTION.
- 5 (C) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL BE A BODY CORPORATE AND
- 6 JOINT AGENCY OF THE MEMBER STATES AND SHALL HAVE ALL THE
- 7 RESPONSIBILITIES, POWERS, AND DUTIES SET FORTH IN THE COMPACT, AND
- 8 SUCH ADDITIONAL POWERS AS MAY BE CONFERRED UPON IT BY A SUBSEQUENT
- 9 CONCURRENT ACTION OF THE RESPECTIVE LEGISLATURES OF THE MEMBER
- 10 STATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE COMPACT.
- 11 (D) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL CONSIST OF TWO VOTING
- 12 REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED BY EACH MEMBER STATE WHO SHALL SERVE AS
- 13 COMMISSIONERS. IN STATES WHERE ALLOPATHIC AND OSTEOPATHIC
- 14 PHYSICIANS ARE REGULATED BY SEPARATE MEMBER BOARDS, OR IF THE
- 15 LICENSING AND DISCIPLINARY AUTHORITY IS SPLIT BETWEEN MULTIPLE
- 16 MEMBER BOARDS WITHIN A MEMBER STATE, THE MEMBER STATE SHALL APPOINT
- 17 ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH MEMBER BOARD. A COMMISSIONER SHALL BE
- 18 A(N):
- 19 (1) ALLOPATHIC OR OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN APPOINTED TO A MEMBER
- 20 BOARD;
- 21 (2) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, OR SIMILAR
- 22 EXECUTIVE OF A MEMBER BOARD; OR
- 23 (3) MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC APPOINTED TO A MEMBER BOARD.
- 24 (E) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL MEET AT LEAST ONCE EACH
- 25 CALENDAR YEAR. A PORTION OF THIS MEETING SHALL BE A BUSINESS
- 26 MEETING TO ADDRESS SUCH MATTERS AS MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE
- 27 COMMISSION, INCLUDING THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS. THE CHAIRPERSON MAY

- 1 CALL ADDITIONAL MEETINGS AND SHALL CALL FOR A MEETING UPON THE
- 2 REQUEST OF A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBER STATES.
- 3 (F) THE BYLAWS MAY PROVIDE FOR MEETINGS OF THE INTERSTATE
- 4 COMMISSION TO BE CONDUCTED BY TELECOMMUNICATION OR ELECTRONIC
- 5 COMMUNICATION.
- 6 (G) EACH COMMISSIONER PARTICIPATING AT A MEETING OF THE
- 7 INTERSTATE COMMISSION IS ENTITLED TO ONE VOTE. A MAJORITY OF
- 8 COMMISSIONERS SHALL CONSTITUTE A QUORUM FOR THE TRANSACTION OF
- 9 BUSINESS, UNLESS A LARGER QUORUM IS REQUIRED BY THE BYLAWS OF THE
- 10 INTERSTATE COMMISSION. A COMMISSIONER SHALL NOT DELEGATE A VOTE TO
- 11 ANOTHER COMMISSIONER. IN THE ABSENCE OF ITS COMMISSIONER, A MEMBER
- 12 STATE MAY DELEGATE VOTING AUTHORITY FOR A SPECIFIED MEETING TO
- 13 ANOTHER PERSON FROM THAT STATE WHO SHALL MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF
- 14 SUBSECTION (D).
- 15 (H) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL PROVIDE PUBLIC NOTICE OF
- 16 ALL MEETINGS AND ALL MEETINGS SHALL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. THE
- 17 INTERSTATE COMMISSION MAY CLOSE A MEETING, IN FULL OR IN PORTION,
- 18 WHERE IT DETERMINES BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE COMMISSIONERS
- 19 PRESENT THAT AN OPEN MEETING WOULD BE LIKELY TO:
- 20 (1) RELATE SOLELY TO THE INTERNAL PERSONNEL PRACTICES AND
- 21 PROCEDURES OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION;
- 22 (2) DISCUSS MATTERS SPECIFICALLY EXEMPTED FROM DISCLOSURE BY
- 23 FEDERAL STATUTE;
- 24 (3) DISCUSS TRADE SECRETS, COMMERCIAL, OR FINANCIAL
- 25 INFORMATION THAT IS PRIVILEGED OR CONFIDENTIAL;
- 26 (4) INVOLVE ACCUSING A PERSON OF A CRIME, OR FORMALLY
- 27 CENSURING A PERSON;

- 1 (5) DISCUSS INFORMATION OF A PERSONAL NATURE WHERE DISCLOSURE
- 2 WOULD CONSTITUTE A CLEARLY UNWARRANTED INVASION OF PERSONAL
- 3 PRIVACY:
- 4 (6) DISCUSS INVESTIGATIVE RECORDS COMPILED FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT
- 5 PURPOSES; OR
- 6 (7) SPECIFICALLY RELATE TO THE PARTICIPATION IN A CIVIL ACTION
- 7 OR OTHER LEGAL PROCEEDING.
- 8 (I) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL KEEP MINUTES WHICH SHALL
- 9 FULLY DESCRIBE ALL MATTERS DISCUSSED IN A MEETING AND SHALL PROVIDE
- 10 A FULL AND ACCURATE SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN, INCLUDING RECORD OF
- 11 ANY ROLL CALL VOTES.
- 12 (J) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL MAKE ITS INFORMATION AND
- 13 OFFICIAL RECORDS, TO THE EXTENT NOT OTHERWISE DESIGNATED IN THE
- 14 COMPACT OR BY ITS RULES, AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR INSPECTION.
- 15 (K) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL ESTABLISH AN EXECUTIVE
- 16 COMMITTEE, WHICH SHALL INCLUDE OFFICERS, MEMBERS, AND OTHERS AS
- 17 DETERMINED BY THE BYLAWS. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE THE
- 18 POWER TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION, WITH THE
- 19 EXCEPTION OF RULEMAKING, DURING PERIODS WHEN THE INTERSTATE
- 20 COMMISSION IS NOT IN SESSION. WHEN ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE
- 21 INTERSTATE COMMISSION, THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL OVERSEE THE
- 22 ADMINISTRATION OF THE COMPACT INCLUDING ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE
- 23 WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE COMPACT, ITS BYLAWS AND RULES, AND OTHER
- 24 SUCH DUTIES AS NECESSARY.
- 25 (1) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION MAY ESTABLISH OTHER COMMITTEES
- 26 FOR GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE COMPACT.
- 27 SECTION 12. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION

- 1 THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL HAVE THE DUTY AND POWER TO:
- 2 (A) OVERSEE AND MAINTAIN THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE COMPACT;
- 3 (B) PROMULGATE RULES WHICH SHALL BE BINDING TO THE EXTENT AND
- 4 IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR IN THE COMPACT;
- 5 (C) ISSUE, UPON THE REQUEST OF A MEMBER STATE OR MEMBER BOARD,
- 6 ADVISORY OPINIONS CONCERNING THE MEANING OR INTERPRETATION OF THE
- 7 COMPACT, ITS BYLAWS, RULES, AND ACTIONS;
- 8 (D) ENFORCE COMPLIANCE WITH COMPACT PROVISIONS, THE RULES
- 9 PROMULGATED BY THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION, AND THE BYLAWS, USING ALL
- 10 NECESSARY AND PROPER MEANS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE USE OF
- 11 JUDICIAL PROCESS;
- 12 (E) ESTABLISH AND APPOINT COMMITTEES INCLUDING, BUT NOT
- 13 LIMITED TO, AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 11, WHICH
- 14 SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION
- 15 IN CARRYING OUT ITS POWERS AND DUTIES;
- 16 (F) PAY, OR PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE EXPENSES RELATED TO
- 17 THE ESTABLISHMENT, ORGANIZATION, AND ONGOING ACTIVITIES OF THE
- 18 INTERSTATE COMMISSION;
- 19 (G) ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN ONE OR MORE OFFICES;
- 20 (H) BORROW, ACCEPT, HIRE, OR CONTRACT FOR SERVICES OF
- 21 PERSONNEL;
- 22 (I) PURCHASE AND MAINTAIN INSURANCE AND BONDS;
- 23 (J) EMPLOY AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WHO SHALL HAVE SUCH POWERS TO
- 24 EMPLOY, SELECT OR APPOINT EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, OR CONSULTANTS, AND TO
- 25 DETERMINE THEIR QUALIFICATIONS, DEFINE THEIR DUTIES, AND FIX THEIR
- 26 COMPENSATION;
- 27 (K) ESTABLISH PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROGRAMS RELATING TO

- 1 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, RATES OF COMPENSATION, AND QUALIFICATIONS OF
- 2 PERSONNEL;
- 3 (1) ACCEPT DONATIONS AND GRANTS OF MONEY, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES,
- 4 MATERIALS AND SERVICES, AND TO RECEIVE, UTILIZE, AND DISPOSE OF IT
- 5 IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICIES
- 6 ESTABLISHED BY THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION;
- 7 (M) LEASE, PURCHASE, ACCEPT CONTRIBUTIONS OR DONATIONS OF, OR
- 8 OTHERWISE TO OWN, HOLD, IMPROVE OR USE, ANY PROPERTY, REAL,
- 9 PERSONAL, OR MIXED;
- 10 (N) SELL, CONVEY, MORTGAGE, PLEDGE, LEASE, EXCHANGE, ABANDON,
- 11 OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF ANY PROPERTY, REAL, PERSONAL, OR MIXED;
- 12 (O) ESTABLISH A BUDGET AND MAKE EXPENDITURES;
- 13 (P) ADOPT A SEAL AND BYLAWS GOVERNING THE MANAGEMENT AND
- 14 OPERATION OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION;
- 15 (O) REPORT ANNUALLY TO THE LEGISLATURES AND GOVERNORS OF THE
- 16 MEMBER STATES CONCERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE INTERSTATE
- 17 COMMISSION DURING THE PRECEDING YEAR. SUCH REPORTS SHALL ALSO
- 18 INCLUDE REPORTS OF FINANCIAL AUDITS AND ANY RECOMMENDATIONS THAT
- 19 MAY HAVE BEEN ADOPTED BY THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION;
- 20 (R) COORDINATE EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND PUBLIC AWARENESS
- 21 REGARDING THE COMPACT, ITS IMPLEMENTATION, AND ITS OPERATION;
- 22 (S) MAINTAIN RECORDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BYLAWS;
- 23 (T) SEEK AND OBTAIN TRADEMARKS, COPYRIGHTS, AND PATENTS; AND
- 24 (U) PERFORM SUCH FUNCTIONS AS MAY BE NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE
- 25 TO ACHIEVE THE PURPOSES OF THE COMPACT.
- 26 SECTION 13. FINANCE POWERS
- 27 (A) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION MAY LEVY ON AND COLLECT AN

- 1 ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FROM EACH MEMBER STATE TO COVER THE COST OF THE
- 2 OPERATIONS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION AND ITS
- 3 STAFF. THE TOTAL ASSESSMENT, SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION, MUST BE
- 4 SUFFICIENT TO COVER THE ANNUAL BUDGET APPROVED EACH YEAR FOR WHICH
- 5 REVENUE IS NOT PROVIDED BY OTHER SOURCES. THE AGGREGATE ANNUAL
- 6 ASSESSMENT AMOUNT SHALL BE ALLOCATED UPON A FORMULA TO BE
- 7 DETERMINED BY THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION, WHICH SHALL PROMULGATE A
- 8 RULE BINDING UPON ALL MEMBER STATES.
- 9 (B) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL NOT INCUR OBLIGATIONS OF
- 10 ANY KIND PRIOR TO SECURING THE FUNDS ADEQUATE TO MEET THE SAME.
- 11 (C) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL NOT PLEDGE THE CREDIT OF
- 12 ANY OF THE MEMBER STATES, EXCEPT BY, AND WITH THE AUTHORITY OF, THE
- 13 MEMBER STATE.
- 14 (D) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A YEARLY
- 15 FINANCIAL AUDIT CONDUCTED BY A CERTIFIED OR LICENSED PUBLIC
- 16 ACCOUNTANT AND THE REPORT OF THE AUDIT SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE
- 17 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION.
- 18 SECTION 14. ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION OF THE INTERSTATE
- 19 COMMISSION
- 20 (A) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL, BY A MAJORITY OF
- 21 COMMISSIONERS PRESENT AND VOTING, ADOPT BYLAWS TO GOVERN ITS
- 22 CONDUCT AS MAY BE NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE TO CARRY OUT THE
- 23 PURPOSES OF THE COMPACT WITHIN TWELVE (12) MONTHS OF THE FIRST
- 24 INTERSTATE COMMISSION MEETING.
- 25 (B) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL ELECT OR APPOINT ANNUALLY
- 26 FROM AMONG ITS COMMISSIONERS A CHAIRPERSON, A VICE-CHAIRPERSON, AND
- 27 A TREASURER, EACH OF WHOM SHALL HAVE SUCH AUTHORITY AND DUTIES AS

- 1 MAY BE SPECIFIED IN THE BYLAWS. THE CHAIRPERSON, OR IN THE
- 2 CHAIRPERSON'S ABSENCE OR DISABILITY, THE VICE-CHAIRPERSON, SHALL
- 3 PRESIDE AT ALL MEETINGS OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION.
- 4 (C) OFFICERS SELECTED IN SUBSECTION (B) SHALL SERVE WITHOUT
- 5 REMUNERATION FROM THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION.
- 6 (D) THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION
- 7 SHALL BE IMMUNE FROM SUIT AND LIABILITY, EITHER PERSONALLY OR IN
- 8 THEIR OFFICIAL CAPACITY, FOR A CLAIM FOR DAMAGE TO OR LOSS OF
- 9 PROPERTY OR PERSONAL INJURY OR OTHER CIVIL LIABILITY CAUSED OR
- 10 ARISING OUT OF, OR RELATING TO, AN ACTUAL OR ALLEGED ACT, ERROR, OR
- 11 OMISSION THAT OCCURRED, OR THAT SUCH PERSON HAD A REASONABLE BASIS
- 12 FOR BELIEVING OCCURRED, WITHIN THE SCOPE OF INTERSTATE COMMISSION
- 13 EMPLOYMENT, DUTIES, OR RESPONSIBILITIES; PROVIDED THAT SUCH PERSON
- 14 SHALL NOT BE PROTECTED FROM SUIT OR LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE, LOSS,
- 15 INJURY, OR LIABILITY CAUSED BY THE INTENTIONAL OR WILLFUL AND
- 16 WANTON MISCONDUCT OF SUCH PERSON.
- 17 (1) THE LIABILITY OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND EMPLOYEES OF
- 18 THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION OR REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTERSTATE
- 19 COMMISSION, ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF SUCH PERSON'S EMPLOYMENT OR
- 20 DUTIES FOR ACTS, ERRORS, OR OMISSIONS OCCURRING WITHIN SUCH
- 21 PERSON'S STATE, MAY NOT EXCEED THE LIMITS OF LIABILITY SET FORTH
- 22 UNDER THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THAT STATE FOR STATE OFFICIALS,
- 23 EMPLOYEES, AND AGENTS. THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION IS CONSIDERED TO
- 24 BE AN INSTRUMENTALITY OF THE STATES FOR THE PURPOSES OF ANY SUCH
- 25 ACTION. NOTHING IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO PROTECT
- 26 SUCH PERSON FROM SUIT OR LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE, LOSS, INJURY, OR
- 27 LIABILITY CAUSED BY THE INTENTIONAL OR WILLFUL AND WANTON

- 1 MISCONDUCT OF SUCH PERSON.
- 2 (2) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL DEFEND THE EXECUTIVE
- 3 DIRECTOR, ITS EMPLOYEES, AND SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE
- 4 ATTORNEY GENERAL OR OTHER APPROPRIATE LEGAL COUNSEL OF THE MEMBER
- 5 STATE REPRESENTED BY AN INTERSTATE COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE, SHALL
- 6 DEFEND SUCH INTERSTATE COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE IN ANY CIVIL
- 7 ACTION SEEKING TO IMPOSE LIABILITY ARISING OUT OF AN ACTUAL OR
- 8 ALLEGED ACT, ERROR OR OMISSION THAT OCCURRED WITHIN THE SCOPE OF
- 9 INTERSTATE COMMISSION EMPLOYMENT, DUTIES OR RESPONSIBILITIES, OR
- 10 THAT THE DEFENDANT HAD A REASONABLE BASIS FOR BELIEVING OCCURRED
- 11 WITHIN THE SCOPE OF INTERSTATE COMMISSION EMPLOYMENT, DUTIES, OR
- 12 RESPONSIBILITIES, PROVIDED THAT THE ACTUAL OR ALLEGED ACT, ERROR,
- 13 OR OMISSION DID NOT RESULT FROM INTENTIONAL OR WILLFUL AND WANTON
- 14 MISCONDUCT ON THE PART OF SUCH PERSON.
- 15 (3) TO THE EXTENT NOT COVERED BY THE STATE INVOLVED, MEMBER
- 16 STATE, OR THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION, THE REPRESENTATIVES OR
- 17 EMPLOYEES OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL BE HELD HARMLESS IN
- 18 THE AMOUNT OF A SETTLEMENT OR JUDGMENT, INCLUDING ATTORNEY'S FEES
- 19 AND COSTS, OBTAINED AGAINST SUCH PERSONS ARISING OUT OF AN ACTUAL
- 20 OR ALLEGED ACT, ERROR, OR OMISSION THAT OCCURRED WITHIN THE SCOPE
- 21 OF INTERSTATE COMMISSION EMPLOYMENT, DUTIES, OR RESPONSIBILITIES,
- 22 OR THAT SUCH PERSONS HAD A REASONABLE BASIS FOR BELIEVING OCCURRED
- 23 WITHIN THE SCOPE OF INTERSTATE COMMISSION EMPLOYMENT, DUTIES, OR
- 24 RESPONSIBILITIES, PROVIDED THAT THE ACTUAL OR ALLEGED ACT, ERROR,
- 25 OR OMISSION DID NOT RESULT FROM INTENTIONAL OR WILLFUL AND WANTON
- 26 MISCONDUCT ON THE PART OF SUCH PERSONS.
- 27 SECTION 15. RULEMAKING FUNCTIONS OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION

- 1 (A) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL PROMULGATE REASONABLE
- 2 RULES IN ORDER TO EFFECTIVELY AND EFFICIENTLY ACHIEVE THE PURPOSES
- 3 OF THE COMPACT. NOTWITHSTANDING THE FOREGOING, IN THE EVENT THE
- 4 INTERSTATE COMMISSION EXERCISES ITS RULEMAKING AUTHORITY IN A
- 5 MANNER THAT IS BEYOND THE SCOPE OF THE PURPOSES OF THE COMPACT, OR
- 6 THE POWERS GRANTED HEREUNDER, THEN SUCH AN ACTION BY THE INTERSTATE
- 7 COMMISSION SHALL BE INVALID AND HAVE NO FORCE OR EFFECT.
- 8 (B) RULES DEEMED APPROPRIATE FOR THE OPERATIONS OF THE
- 9 INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL BE MADE PURSUANT TO A RULEMAKING
- 10 PROCESS THAT SUBSTANTIALLY CONFORMS TO THE "MODEL STATE
- 11 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT" OF 2010, AND SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS
- 12 THERETO.
- 13 (C) NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER A RULE IS
- 14 PROMULGATED, ANY PERSON MAY FILE A PETITION FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW OF
- 15 THE RULE IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF
- 16 COLUMBIA OR THE FEDERAL DISTRICT WHERE THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION
- 17 HAS ITS PRINCIPAL OFFICES, PROVIDED THAT THE FILING OF SUCH A
- 18 PETITION SHALL NOT STAY OR OTHERWISE PREVENT THE RULE FROM BECOMING
- 19 EFFECTIVE UNLESS THE COURT FINDS THAT THE PETITIONER HAS A
- 20 SUBSTANTIAL LIKELIHOOD OF SUCCESS. THE COURT SHALL GIVE DEFERENCE
- 21 TO THE ACTIONS OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION CONSISTENT WITH
- 22 APPLICABLE LAW AND SHALL NOT FIND THE RULE TO BE UNLAWFUL IF THE
- 23 RULE REPRESENTS A REASONABLE EXERCISE OF THE AUTHORITY GRANTED TO
- 24 THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION.
- 25 SECTION 16. OVERSIGHT OF INTERSTATE COMPACT
- 26 (A) THE EXECUTIVE, LEGISLATIVE, AND JUDICIAL BRANCHES OF STATE
- 27 GOVERNMENT IN EACH MEMBER STATE SHALL ENFORCE THE COMPACT AND SHALL

- 1 TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE TO EFFECTUATE THE
- 2 COMPACT'S PURPOSES AND INTENT. THE PROVISIONS OF THE COMPACT AND
- 3 THE RULES PROMULGATED HEREUNDER SHALL HAVE STANDING AS STATUTORY
- 4 LAW BUT SHALL NOT OVERRIDE EXISTING STATE AUTHORITY TO REGULATE THE
- 5 PRACTICE OF MEDICINE.
- 6 (B) ALL COURTS SHALL TAKE JUDICIAL NOTICE OF THE COMPACT AND
- 7 THE RULES IN ANY JUDICIAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING IN A MEMBER
- 8 STATE PERTAINING TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE COMPACT WHICH MAY
- 9 AFFECT THE POWERS, RESPONSIBILITIES OR ACTIONS OF THE INTERSTATE
- 10 COMMISSION.
- 11 (C) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE ALL
- 12 SERVICE OF PROCESS IN ANY SUCH PROCEEDING, AND SHALL HAVE STANDING
- 13 TO INTERVENE IN THE PROCEEDING FOR ALL PURPOSES. FAILURE TO PROVIDE
- 14 SERVICE OF PROCESS TO THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL RENDER A
- 15 JUDGMENT OR ORDER VOID AS TO THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION, THE
- 16 COMPACT, OR PROMULGATED RULES.
- 17 SECTION 17. ENFORCEMENT OF INTERSTATE COMPACT
- 18 (A) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION, IN THE REASONABLE EXERCISE OF
- 19 ITS DISCRETION, SHALL ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS AND RULES OF THE
- 20 COMPACT.
- 21 (B) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION MAY, BY MAJORITY VOTE OF THE
- 22 COMMISSIONERS, INITIATE LEGAL ACTION IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT
- 23 COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, OR, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE
- 24 INTERSTATE COMMISSION, IN THE FEDERAL DISTRICT WHERE THE INTERSTATE
- 25 COMMISSION HAS ITS PRINCIPAL OFFICES, TO ENFORCE COMPLIANCE WITH
- 26 THE PROVISIONS OF THE COMPACT, AND ITS PROMULGATED RULES AND
- 27 BYLAWS, AGAINST A MEMBER STATE IN DEFAULT. THE RELIEF SOUGHT MAY

- 1 INCLUDE BOTH INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AND DAMAGES. IN THE EVENT JUDICIAL
- 2 ENFORCEMENT IS NECESSARY, THE PREVAILING PARTY SHALL BE AWARDED ALL
- 3 COSTS OF SUCH LITIGATION INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEY'S FEES.
- 4 (C) THE REMEDIES HEREIN SHALL NOT BE THE EXCLUSIVE REMEDIES OF
- 5 THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION. THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION MAY AVAIL
- 6 ITSELF OF ANY OTHER REMEDIES AVAILABLE UNDER STATE LAW OR THE
- 7 REGULATION OF A PROFESSION.
- 8 SECTION 18. DEFAULT PROCEDURES
- 9 (A) THE GROUNDS FOR DEFAULT INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO,
- 10 FAILURE OF A MEMBER STATE TO PERFORM SUCH OBLIGATIONS OR
- 11 RESPONSIBILITIES IMPOSED UPON IT BY THE COMPACT, OR THE RULES AND
- 12 BYLAWS OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION PROMULGATED UNDER THE COMPACT.
- 13 (B) IF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION DETERMINES THAT A MEMBER
- 14 STATE HAS DEFAULTED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS OBLIGATIONS OR
- 15 RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THE COMPACT, OR THE BYLAWS OR PROMULGATED
- 16 RULES, THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL:
- 17 (1) PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE DEFAULTING STATE AND OTHER
- 18 MEMBER STATES, OF THE NATURE OF THE DEFAULT, THE MEANS OF CURING
- 19 THE DEFAULT, AND ANY ACTION TAKEN BY THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION. THE
- 20 INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL SPECIFY THE CONDITIONS BY WHICH THE
- 21 DEFAULTING STATE MUST CURE ITS DEFAULT; AND
- 22 (2) PROVIDE REMEDIAL TRAINING AND SPECIFIC TECHNICAL
- 23 ASSISTANCE REGARDING THE DEFAULT.
- 24 (C) IF THE DEFAULTING STATE FAILS TO CURE THE DEFAULT, THE
- 25 DEFAULTING STATE SHALL BE TERMINATED FROM THE COMPACT UPON AN
- 26 AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE COMMISSIONERS AND ALL RIGHTS,
- 27 PRIVILEGES, AND BENEFITS CONFERRED BY THE COMPACT SHALL TERMINATE

- 1 ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF TERMINATION. A CURE OF THE DEFAULT DOES
- 2 NOT RELIEVE THE OFFENDING STATE OF OBLIGATIONS OR LIABILITIES
- 3 INCURRED DURING THE PERIOD OF THE DEFAULT.
- 4 (D) TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE COMPACT SHALL BE IMPOSED
- 5 ONLY AFTER ALL OTHER MEANS OF SECURING COMPLIANCE HAVE BEEN
- 6 EXHAUSTED. NOTICE OF INTENT TO TERMINATE SHALL BE GIVEN BY THE
- 7 INTERSTATE COMMISSION TO THE GOVERNOR, THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY
- 8 LEADERS OF THE DEFAULTING STATE'S LEGISLATURE, AND EACH OF THE
- 9 MEMBER STATES.
- 10 (E) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL ESTABLISH RULES AND
- 11 PROCEDURES TO ADDRESS LICENSES AND PHYSICIANS THAT ARE MATERIALLY
- 12 IMPACTED BY THE TERMINATION OF A MEMBER STATE, OR THE WITHDRAWAL OF
- 13 A MEMBER STATE.
- 14 (F) THE MEMBER STATE WHICH HAS BEEN TERMINATED IS RESPONSIBLE
- 15 FOR ALL DUES, OBLIGATIONS, AND LIABILITIES INCURRED THROUGH THE
- 16 EFFECTIVE DATE OF TERMINATION INCLUDING OBLIGATIONS, THE
- 17 PERFORMANCE OF WHICH EXTENDS BEYOND THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF
- 18 TERMINATION.
- 19 (G) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL NOT BEAR ANY COSTS
- 20 RELATING TO ANY STATE THAT HAS BEEN FOUND TO BE IN DEFAULT OR WHICH
- 21 HAS BEEN TERMINATED FROM THE COMPACT, UNLESS OTHERWISE MUTUALLY
- 22 AGREED UPON IN WRITING BETWEEN THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION AND THE
- 23 DEFAULTING STATE.
- 24 (H) THE DEFAULTING STATE MAY APPEAL THE ACTION OF THE
- 25 INTERSTATE COMMISSION BY PETITIONING THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT
- 26 COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA OR THE FEDERAL DISTRICT WHERE
- 27 THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION HAS ITS PRINCIPAL OFFICES. THE PREVAILING

- 1 PARTY SHALL BE AWARDED ALL COSTS OF SUCH LITIGATION INCLUDING
- 2 REASONABLE ATTORNEY'S FEES.
- 3 SECTION 19. DISPUTE RESOLUTION
- 4 (A) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL ATTEMPT, UPON THE REQUEST
- 5 OF A MEMBER STATE, TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WHICH ARE SUBJECT TO THE
- 6 COMPACT AND WHICH MAY ARISE AMONG MEMBER STATES OR MEMBER BOARDS.
- 7 (B) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL PROMULGATE RULES PROVIDING
- 8 FOR BOTH MEDIATION AND BINDING DISPUTE RESOLUTION AS APPROPRIATE.
- 9 SECTION 20. MEMBER STATES, EFFECTIVE DATE AND AMENDMENT
- 10 (A) ANY STATE IS ELIGIBLE TO BECOME A MEMBER STATE OF THE
- 11 COMPACT.
- 12 (B) THE COMPACT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE AND BINDING UPON
- 13 LEGISLATIVE ENACTMENT OF THE COMPACT INTO LAW BY NO LESS THAN SEVEN
- 14 (7) STATES. THEREAFTER, IT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE AND BINDING ON A
- 15 STATE UPON ENACTMENT OF THE COMPACT INTO LAW BY THAT STATE.
- 16 (C) THE GOVERNORS OF NON-MEMBER STATES, OR THEIR DESIGNEES,
- 17 SHALL BE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ACTIVITIES OF THE INTERSTATE
- 18 COMMISSION ON A NON-VOTING BASIS PRIOR TO ADOPTION OF THE COMPACT
- 19 BY ALL STATES.
- 20 (D) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION MAY PROPOSE AMENDMENTS TO THE
- 21 COMPACT FOR ENACTMENT BY THE MEMBER STATES. NO AMENDMENT SHALL
- 22 BECOME EFFECTIVE AND BINDING UPON THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION AND THE
- 23 MEMBER STATES UNLESS AND UNTIL IT IS ENACTED INTO LAW BY UNANIMOUS
- 24 CONSENT OF THE MEMBER STATES.
- 25 SECTION 21. WITHDRAWAL
- 26 (A) ONCE EFFECTIVE, THE COMPACT SHALL CONTINUE IN FORCE AND
- 27 REMAIN BINDING UPON EACH AND EVERY MEMBER STATE; PROVIDED THAT A

- 1 MEMBER STATE MAY WITHDRAW FROM THE COMPACT BY SPECIFICALLY
- 2 REPEALING THE STATUTE WHICH ENACTED THE COMPACT INTO LAW.
- 3 (B) WITHDRAWAL FROM THE COMPACT SHALL BE BY THE ENACTMENT OF A
- 4 STATUTE REPEALING THE SAME, BUT SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL ONE (1)
- 5 YEAR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SUCH STATUTE AND UNTIL WRITTEN
- 6 NOTICE OF THE WITHDRAWAL HAS BEEN GIVEN BY THE WITHDRAWING STATE TO
- 7 THE GOVERNOR OF EACH OTHER MEMBER STATE.
- 8 (C) THE WITHDRAWING STATE SHALL IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE
- 9 CHAIRPERSON OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION IN WRITING UPON THE
- 10 INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION REPEALING THE COMPACT IN THE
- 11 WITHDRAWING STATE.
- 12 (D) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL NOTIFY THE OTHER MEMBER
- 13 STATES OF THE WITHDRAWING STATE'S INTENT TO WITHDRAW WITHIN SIXTY
- 14 (60) DAYS OF ITS RECEIPT OF NOTICE PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (C).
- 15 (E) THE WITHDRAWING STATE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL DUES,
- 16 OBLIGATIONS AND LIABILITIES INCURRED THROUGH THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF
- 17 WITHDRAWAL, INCLUDING OBLIGATIONS, THE PERFORMANCE OF WHICH EXTEND
- 18 BEYOND THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF WITHDRAWAL.
- 19 (F) REINSTATEMENT FOLLOWING WITHDRAWAL OF A MEMBER STATE SHALL
- 20 OCCUR UPON THE WITHDRAWING STATE REENACTING THE COMPACT OR UPON
- 21 SUCH LATER DATE AS DETERMINED BY THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION.
- 22 (G) THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION IS AUTHORIZED TO DEVELOP RULES
- 23 TO ADDRESS THE IMPACT OF THE WITHDRAWAL OF A MEMBER STATE ON
- 24 LICENSES GRANTED IN OTHER MEMBER STATES TO PHYSICIANS WHO
- 25 DESIGNATED THE WITHDRAWING MEMBER STATE AS THE STATE OF PRINCIPAL
- 26 LICENSE.
- 27 SECTION 22. DISSOLUTION

- 1 (A) THE COMPACT SHALL DISSOLVE EFFECTIVE UPON THE DATE OF THE
- 2 WITHDRAWAL OR DEFAULT OF THE MEMBER STATE WHICH REDUCES THE
- 3 MEMBERSHIP IN THE COMPACT TO ONE (1) MEMBER STATE.
- 4 (B) UPON THE DISSOLUTION OF THE COMPACT, THE COMPACT BECOMES
- 5 NULL AND VOID AND SHALL BE OF NO FURTHER FORCE OR EFFECT, AND THE
- 6 BUSINESS AND AFFAIRS OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL BE
- 7 CONCLUDED AND SURPLUS FUNDS SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
- 8 THE BYLAWS.
- 9 SECTION 23. SEVERABILITY AND CONSTRUCTION
- 10 (A) THE PROVISIONS OF THE COMPACT SHALL BE SEVERABLE, AND IF
- 11 ANY PHRASE, CLAUSE, SENTENCE, OR PROVISION IS DEEMED UNENFORCEABLE,
- 12 THE REMAINING PROVISIONS OF THE COMPACT SHALL BE ENFORCEABLE.
- 13 (B) THE PROVISIONS OF THE COMPACT SHALL BE LIBERALLY CONSTRUED
- 14 TO EFFECTUATE ITS PURPOSES.
- 15 (C) NOTHING IN THE COMPACT SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO PROHIBIT THE
- 16 APPLICABILITY OF OTHER INTERSTATE COMPACTS TO WHICH THE STATES ARE
- 17 MEMBERS.
- 18 SECTION 24. BINDING EFFECT OF COMPACT AND OTHER LAWS
- 19 (A) NOTHING HEREIN PREVENTS THE ENFORCEMENT OF ANY OTHER LAW
- 20 OF A MEMBER STATE THAT IS NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE COMPACT.
- 21 (B) ALL LAWS IN A MEMBER STATE IN CONFLICT WITH THE COMPACT
- 22 ARE SUPERSEDED TO THE EXTENT OF THE CONFLICT.
- 23 (C) ALL LAWFUL ACTIONS OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION, INCLUDING
- 24 ALL RULES AND BYLAWS PROMULGATED BY THE COMMISSION, ARE BINDING
- 25 UPON THE MEMBER STATES.
- 26 (D) ALL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION AND THE
- 27 MEMBER STATES ARE BINDING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR TERMS.

- 1 (E) IN THE EVENT ANY PROVISION OF THE COMPACT EXCEEDS THE
- 2 CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITS IMPOSED ON THE LEGISLATURE OF ANY MEMBER
- 3 STATE, SUCH PROVISION SHALL BE INEFFECTIVE TO THE EXTENT OF THE
- 4 CONFLICT WITH THE CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISION IN QUESTION IN THAT
- 5 MEMBER STATE.
- 6 (2) SUBSECTION (1) SHALL BE KNOWN AS THE "INTERSTATE MEDICAL
- 7 LICENSURE COMPACT".
- 8 (3) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED EFFECTIVE 3 YEARS AFTER THE
- 9 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SECTION.
- 10 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 11 after the date it is enacted into law.
- 12 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 13 unless House Bill No. 4067 of the 99th Legislature is enacted into
- **14** law.