

Amendment to HB 1273

1 Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 AN ACT suspending state licensure laws for physicians and physician assistants employed by
4 the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.
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6 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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8 1 New Section; Physicians Employed by the USDVA; Suspension Of Licensing Requirements.

9 Amend RSA 329 by inserting after section 23 the following new section:

10 329:23-a License Requirements Suspended.

11 I. New Hampshire state licensure laws, rules, and regulations for physicians are hereby
12 suspended for those physicians from other states or countries who are employed by the United
13 States Department of Veterans Affairs and who are offering medical services to patients of the
14 Manchester Veterans Administration Medical Center (VAMC) at licensed medical facilities outside
15 of the Manchester VAMC, provided that such physicians are acting within the scope of their
16 employment at the VAMC and possess a current medical license in good standing in their respective
17 state or country of licensure.

18 II. The acting director of the Manchester VAMC shall submit to the executive director of
19 the New Hampshire office of professional licensure and certification, or designee, a list of all out-of-
20 state or out-of-country physicians offering services in the state of New Hampshire.

21 III. Nothing in this section shall be construed to preempt or supplant an individual licensed
22 medical facility's policies regarding the emergency credentialing of physicians or any other medical
23 personnel.

24 2 New Section; Physician Assistants Employed by USDVA; Suspension of Licensing
25 Requirements. Amend RSA 328-D by inserting after section 2 the following new section:

26 328-D:2-a Licensure Requirements Suspended.

27 I. New Hampshire state licensure laws, rules, and regulations for physician assistants are
28 hereby suspended for those physician assistants from other states or countries who are employed by
29 the United States Department of Veterans Affairs and who are offering medical services to patients
30 of the Manchester Veterans Administration Medical Center (VAMC) at licensed medical facilities
31 outside of the Manchester VAMC, provided that such physician assistants are acting within the
32 scope of their employment at the VAMC and possess a current license in good standing in their
33 respective state or country of licensure.

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1 II. The acting director of the Manchester VAMC shall submit to the executive director of
2 the New Hampshire office of professional licensure and certification, or designee, a list of all out-of-
3 state or out-of-country physician assistants offering services in the state of New Hampshire.

4 III. Nothing in this section shall be construed to preempt or supplant an individual licensed
5 medical facility's policies regarding the emergency credentialing of physician assistants or any other
6 medical personnel.

7 3 State Veterans' Advisory Committee; Report. Amend RSA 115-A:8, III to read as follows:

8 III. The committee shall issue [~~biannual~~] **annual** reports of its actions, findings, and
9 recommendations on [~~May~~] **October** 1 [~~and November 1~~] of each year to the speaker of the house,
10 the president of the senate, the governor and council, and all veterans' organizations in the state.

11 4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill suspends New Hampshire state licensure laws, rules, and regulations for certain physicians and physician assistants employed by the United States Department of Veterans Administration.

This bill also changes the reporting date of the state veterans' advisory committee.