

Amendment to SB 488

1 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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3 1 New Section; Physicians Employed by the USDVA; Suspension of Licensing Requirements.  
4 Amend RSA 329 by inserting after section 23 the following new section:

5 329:23-a License Requirements Suspended; Manchester Veterans Administration Medical  
6 Center.

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

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

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

20 2 New Section; Physician Assistants Employed by USDVA; Suspension of Licensing  
21 Requirements. Amend RSA 328-D by inserting after section 2 the following new section:

22 328-D:2-a Licensure Requirements Suspended; Manchester Veterans Administration Medical  
23 Center.

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

31 II. The acting director of the Manchester VAMC shall submit to the executive director of  
32 the New Hampshire office of professional licensure and certification, or designee, a list of all out-of-

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1 state or out-of-country physician assistants offering services in the state of New Hampshire.

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

5 3 New Section; Nurses Employed by the USDVA; Suspension of Licensing Requirements.  
6 Amend RSA 326-B by inserting after section 16 the following new section:

7 326-B:16-a License Requirements Suspended; Manchester Veterans Administration Medical  
8 Center.

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

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

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

22 4 State Veterans' Advisory Committee; Report. Amend RSA 115-A:8, III to read as follows:

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

27 5 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, physician assistants, and nurses employed by the United States Department of Veterans Administration.

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