

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Health Care to which was referred Senate Bill No. 14
3 entitled “An act relating to expanding the Vermont Practitioner Recovery
4 Network” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends
5 that the House propose to the Senate that the bill be amended by striking out all
6 after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 * * * Podiatrists * * *

8 Sec. 1. 26 V.S.A. § 374 is amended to read:

9 § 374. FEES; LICENSES

10 Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following
11 fees:

12 (1) Application for licensure, \$650.00; the Board shall use at least
13 \$25.00 of this fee to support the cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner
14 Recovery Network, which, for the protection of the public, monitors
15 ~~recovering chemically dependent licensees for the protection of the public and~~
16 evaluates, coordinates services for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees
17 who have or potentially have an impaired ability to practice medicine with
18 reasonable skill and safety.

19 (2) Biennial renewal, \$525.00; the Board shall use at least \$25.00 of this
20 fee to support the cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner Recovery
21 Network, which, for the protection of the public, monitors ~~recovering~~

1 ~~chemically dependent licensees for the protection of the public and evaluates,~~
2 ~~coordinates services for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees who have or~~
3 ~~potentially have an impaired ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill~~
4 ~~and safety.~~

5 * * * Physicians * * *

6 Sec. 2. 26 V.S.A. § 1395(c) is amended to read:

7 ~~(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section and any~~
8 ~~other provision of law, a physician who holds an unrestricted license in all~~
9 ~~jurisdictions where the physician is currently licensed, and who certifies to the~~
10 ~~Vermont board of medical practice that he or she will limit his or her practice~~
11 ~~in Vermont to providing pro bono services at a free or reduced fee health care~~
12 ~~clinic in Vermont and who meets the criteria of the board, shall be licensed by~~
13 ~~the board within 60 days of the licensee's certification without further~~
14 ~~examination, interview, fee, or any other requirement for board licensure. The~~
15 ~~physician shall file with the board, on forms provided by the board and based~~
16 ~~on criteria developed by the board, information on medical qualifications,~~
17 ~~professional discipline, criminal record, malpractice claims, or any other such~~
18 ~~information as the board may require. A license granted under this subsection~~
19 ~~shall authorize the licensee to practice medicine on a voluntary basis in~~
20 ~~Vermont. [Repealed.]~~

1 Sec. 3. 26 V.S.A. § 1401a is amended to read:

2 § 1401a. FEES

3 (a) The Department of Health shall collect the following fees:

4 (1) Application for licensure, \$650.00; the Board shall use at least
5 \$25.00 of this fee to support the cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner
6 Recovery Network, which, for the protection of the public, monitors
7 ~~recovering chemically dependent licensees for the protection of the public and~~
8 evaluates, coordinates services for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees
9 who have or potentially have an impaired ability to practice medicine with
10 reasonable skill and safety.

11 (2) Biennial renewal, \$525.00; the Board shall use at least \$25.00 of this
12 fee to support the cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner Recovery
13 Network, which, for the protection of the public, monitors ~~recovering~~
14 ~~chemically dependent licensees for the protection of the public and evaluates,~~
15 coordinates services for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees who have or
16 potentially have an impaired ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill
17 and safety.

18 (3) Initial limited temporary license; annual renewal \$75.00.

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20 (c)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a physician who
21 holds an unrestricted license in all jurisdictions where the physician is

1 currently licensed and who meets the criteria of the Board shall be licensed
2 without fee if the physician certifies to the Board that he or she shall limit
3 practice in Vermont to providing:

4 (A) pro bono services at a free or reduced fee health care clinic in
5 Vermont; or

6 (B) volunteer services through the Vermont Medical Reserve Corps.

7 (2) A physician, under this subsection, shall file with the Board using
8 forms provided on the Board’s website, information on medical qualifications,
9 professional discipline, criminal record, malpractice claims, or any other such
10 information as the Board may require. A license granted under this subsection
11 shall authorize the licensee to practice medicine either on a voluntary basis at a
12 free or reduced fee clinic in Vermont or in connection with the Vermont
13 Medical Reserve Corps, respectively.

14 * * * Anesthesiologist Assistants * * *

15 Sec. 4. 26 V.S.A. § 1662 is amended to read:

16 § 1662. FEES

17 Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following
18 fees:

19 (1)(A)(i) Original application for certification, \$120.00;

20 (ii) Each additional application, \$55.00;

1 (B) The Board shall use at least \$10.00 of these fees to support the
2 cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner Recovery Network, which, for
3 the protection of the public, monitors ~~recovering chemically dependent~~
4 ~~licensees for the protection of the public~~ and evaluates, coordinates services
5 for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees who have or potentially have an
6 impaired ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety.

7 (2)(A)(i) Biennial renewal, \$120.00;

8 (ii) Each additional renewal, \$55.00;

9 (B)(i) The Board shall use at least \$10.00 of these fees to support the
10 cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner Recovery Network, which, for
11 the protection of the public, monitors ~~recovering chemically dependent~~
12 ~~licensees for the protection of the public~~ and evaluates, coordinates services
13 for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees who have or potentially have an
14 impaired ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety.

15 (ii) In addition to the fee, an applicant for certification renewal
16 shall submit evidence in a manner acceptable to the Board that he or she
17 continues to meet the certification requirements of the NCCAA.

18 (3) Transfer of certification, \$20.00.

