

1 H.652

2 Introduced by Representative Pugh of South Burlington

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Professions and Occupations; health care professionals; physician
6 assistants; license by endorsement

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to establish a
8 license by endorsement process for physician assistants who have at least three
9 years of practice in good standing in another U.S. jurisdiction.

10 An act relating to physician assistant licensure by endorsement

11 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

12 Sec. 1. 26 V.S.A. § 1734a is added to read:

13 § 1734a. LICENSE BY ENDORSEMENT

14 (a) The Board shall have an endorsement process for physician assistant
15 licensure that requires not more than three years of practice in good standing in
16 another jurisdiction within the United States, regardless of whether that
17 jurisdiction has licensing requirements substantially equal to those of this
18 State.

19 (b) If the Board determines that three years of demonstrated practice in
20 another specific jurisdiction is not adequately protective of the public, it shall

1 provide its rationale to the Commissioner, who may propose any necessary
2 statutory or rule amendments in order to implement more restrictive
3 requirements for endorsement for that jurisdiction.

4 (c) The Board may issue to an endorsement applicant a waiver of the
5 practice requirement if there is a showing that the waiver follows State policy
6 and the public is adequately protected.

7 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

8 This act shall take effect on January 1, 2023.