

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Government Operations to which was referred House  
3 Bill No. 606 entitled “An act relating to professional licensure and immigration  
4 status” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends  
5 that the Senate propose to the House that the bill be amended by striking out all  
6 after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. 1. PURPOSE

8 (a) The purpose of this act is to amend the laws of Vermont to allow any  
9 individual who meets the standards required by the State to obtain a  
10 professional or occupational license or certification, regardless of that  
11 individual’s immigration status.

12 (b) The General Assembly acts pursuant to the authority provided in  
13 section 411 of the federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity  
14 Reconciliation Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104–193, Title IV, § 411, codified at  
15 8 U.S.C. § 1621(d), as such section existed on January 1, 2024.

16 (c) Nothing in this act shall be construed to grant eligibility for any public  
17 benefits, as defined in 8 U.S.C. § 1621(c), other than obtaining a professional  
18 license.

19 Sec. 2. 3 V.S.A. § 139 is added to read:

20 § 139. IMMIGRATION STATUS

