

SENATE BILL NO. 1021

July 23, 2020, Introduced by Senators SCHMIDT and VANDERWALL and referred to the Committee on Health Policy and Human Services.

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled
"Public health code,"
by amending section 16186 (MCL 333.16186), as amended by 2006 PA
398.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 16186. (1) An individual who is licensed to practice a
2 health profession in another state or ~~, until January 1, 2012, is~~
3 ~~licensed to practice a health profession in a province of Canada,~~

1 who is registered in another state, or who holds a health
2 profession specialty field license or specialty certification from
3 another state and who applies for licensure, registration,
4 specialty certification, or a health profession specialty field
5 license in this state may be granted an appropriate license or
6 registration or specialty certification or health profession
7 specialty field license upon satisfying the board or task force to
8 which the applicant applies as to all of the following:

9 (a) The applicant substantially meets the requirements of this
10 article and rules promulgated under this article for licensure,
11 registration, specialty certification, or a health profession
12 specialty field license.

13 (b) Subject to subsection (3), the applicant is licensed,
14 registered, specialty certified, or specialty licensed in another
15 state or ~~, until January 1, 2012,~~ is licensed in a province in
16 Canada that maintains standards substantially equivalent to those
17 of this state.

18 (c) Subject to subsection (3), ~~until January 1, 2012,~~ if the
19 applicant is licensed to practice a health profession in a province
20 in Canada, the applicant completed the educational requirements in
21 Canada or in the United States for licensure in Canada or in the
22 United States.

23 (d) ~~Until January 1, 2012, if~~ **If** the applicant is licensed to
24 practice a health profession in a province in Canada, that the
25 applicant will perform the professional services for which he or
26 she bills in this state, and that any resulting request for ~~third~~
27 ~~party~~ **third-party** reimbursement will originate from the applicant's
28 place of employment in this state.

29 (2) Before granting a license, registration, specialty

1 certification, or a health profession specialty field license to
 2 the applicant, the board or task force to which the applicant
 3 applies may require the applicant to appear personally before it
 4 for an interview to evaluate the applicant's relevant
 5 qualifications.

6 (3) ~~For purposes of 2002 PA 441, an~~ **An** applicant who is
 7 licensed in a province in Canada who meets the requirements of
 8 subsection (1)(c) and takes and passes a national examination in
 9 this country that is approved by the appropriate ~~Michigan~~-licensing
 10 board **of this state**, or who takes and passes a Canadian national
 11 examination approved by the appropriate ~~Michigan~~-licensing board **of**
 12 **this state**, is considered to have met the requirements of
 13 subsection (1)(b). This subsection does not apply if the
 14 department, in consultation with the appropriate licensing board,
 15 promulgates a rule disallowing the use of this subsection for an
 16 applicant licensed in a province in Canada **who does not**
 17 **substantially meet the training or educational requirements**
 18 **expected of an applicant for the same health profession who**
 19 **received his or her education in the United States.**

20 (4) If the department receives an application for licensure
 21 under part 187 from an individual who is licensed as a respiratory
 22 therapist in ~~the country of~~ Canada, the department shall consult
 23 the international reciprocity agreement executed by the ~~national~~
 24 ~~board for respiratory care~~ **National Board for Respiratory Care** and
 25 the Canadian ~~society of respiratory therapists~~ **Society of**
 26 **Respiratory Therapists** in effect on ~~the effective date of the~~
 27 ~~amendatory act that added this subsection.~~ **July 1, 2004.**