SENATE BILL 382

AN ACT relative to licensure requirements for telehealth services and relative to licensure of physicians and physicians assistants through reciprocity agreements.


COMMITTEE: Executive Departments and Administration

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill clarifies licensure requirements for healthcare professionals providing services by means of telemedicine or telehealth. The bill also authorizes the office of professional licensure and certification to enter into reciprocity agreements with other states to facilitate the licensure of out-of-state physicians and physicians assistants in New Hampshire.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in **bold italics.**
Matter removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.
CHAPTER 174
SB 382 - FINAL VERSION

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

174:1 Telemedicine and Telehealth Services. Amend RSA 310-A:1-g, IV to read as follows:

IV. [Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary] Unless otherwise prescribed by statute, an out-of-state healthcare professional providing services by means of telemedicine or telehealth shall be required to be licensed, certified, or registered by the appropriate New Hampshire licensing board within the office of professional licensure and certification if the patient is physically located in New Hampshire at the time of service. This paragraph shall not apply to out-of-state physicians who provide consultation services pursuant to RSA 329:21, II.

174:2 New Section; Office of Professional Licensure; Physician and Physician Assistant Licensure Pursuant to Reciprocity Agreement. Amend RSA 310-A by inserting after section 1-f the following new section:

310-A:1-ff Physician and Physician Assistant Licensure Pursuant to Reciprocity Agreement. The office of professional licensure and certification shall seek reciprocity agreements with states that have licensure requirements for physicians and physicians’ assistants that are substantially equivalent to this state, as determined by the board of medicine. The office of professional licensure and certification shall issue licenses to individuals who demonstrate they have a license in good standing from a state that is a party to such agreement, and pay the requisite fee, in accordance with rules adopted by the executive director under RSA 541-A.

174:3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: June 07, 2022
Effective Date: August 06, 2022