

CS/HB 1273

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to reciprocity or endorsement of
3 licensure; amending s. 455.213, F.S.; providing
4 requirements for the applicable board, or the
5 Department of Business and Professional Regulation if
6 there is no board, relating to licensure by
7 reciprocity and by endorsement; defining the term
8 "basis license"; providing an effective date.

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10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12 Section 1. Subsection (15) of section 455.213, Florida
13 Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (16), and a new subsection
14 (15) is added to that section to read:

15 455.213 General licensing provisions.—

16 (15) (a) Before the board, or the department if there is no
17 board, denies an application for licensure by reciprocity or by
18 endorsement based on a finding that the requirements of the
19 basis license in another jurisdiction are not substantially
20 equivalent to or are otherwise insufficient for a license in
21 this state, the board, or the department if there is no board,
22 must submit the finding to the secretary for review. The
23 secretary may agree with the finding and deny the application
24 for licensure or disagree with the finding and issue the
25 license. The decision must be entered according to the

26 secretary's finding.

27 (b) If the secretary finds that the requirements of a
28 basis license in another jurisdiction are substantially
29 equivalent to or are otherwise sufficient for a license in this
30 state, the board, or the department if there is no board, must
31 make the same finding for similar applicants from the same
32 jurisdiction, unless the requirements of the basis license
33 change.

34 (c) As used in this subsection, the term "basis license"
35 means the license or the licensure requirements of another
36 jurisdiction which are used to meet the requirements for a
37 license in this state.

38 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.