

HOUSE No. 2268

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jon Santiago

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to timely physician licensure.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Jon Santiago</i> | <i>9th Suffolk</i> | <i>1/17/2023</i> |

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By Representative Santiago of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2268) of Jon Santiago relative to physician licensure. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)

An Act relative to timely physician licensure.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended in the first paragraph by inserting after the second sentence
3 the following sentence:-

4 The board shall implement administrative procedures to ensure that applications for
5 registration, including registration of qualified physicians who have been licensed or registered
6 upon a written examination in another state pursuant to paragraph 3 of this section, are reviewed
7 and processed within 90 days from the date of submission.

8 SECTION 2. Said section 2 of chapter 112, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by
9 inserting after the sixth paragraph the following paragraph:-

10 If the board has not made a determination on a physician’s application for renewal of the
11 certificate of registration within 90 days from the date of submission of a complete renewal
12 application, the board shall issue a temporary registration to the physician so that the physician

- 13 can complete the internal hospital credentialing and privileging process at the hospital at which
- 14 the physician is employed or at the hospital at which the physician will be employed.