## STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

February 3, 2023

Introduced by Sen. COONEY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to authorizing certain health care professionals licensed to practice in other jurisdictions to practice in this state

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6529-a to read as follows:

3 § 6529-a. Licensed to practice in another state or territory. 4 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law, any person who is licensed to practice as a physician in another state or territory, who is in good standing in such state or territory may provide professional services within this state to persons seeking reproductive health services without first being licensed pursuant to the provisions of this 9 article. Such services shall be provided only after such person applies 10 for a license pursuant to the provisions of this article, as may be applicable, and demonstrates their intent to provide reproductive health 11 services by providing a letter declaring the person's intention to 12 13 provide such services and a letter from an employer or health care enti-14 ty indicating that the person has accepted employment or entered into a 15 contract to provide reproductive health services, the person's start 16 date and the location where reproductive health services will be provided. Such person may continue providing services pursuant to this 17 section until such time that their license or certification to practice 18 19 is approved or denied. Provided however, that such person shall comply 20 with all applicable licensure and regulatory requirements and shall 21 practice within the scope of their license. Provided further, this section shall not apply to persons licensed in a state or territory determined to have substandard or nonconforming professional licensing 24 requirements, as determined by the commissioner.

EXPLANATION--Matter in  $\underline{italics}$  (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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1  $\S$  2. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6546-a to 2 read as follows:

6546-a. Licensed to practice in another state or territory. 3 4 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law, any person who is 5 licensed to practice as a physician assistant in another state or terri-6 tory, who is in good standing in such state or territory may provide 7 professional services within this state to persons seeking reproductive 8 health services without first being licensed pursuant to the provisions 9 of this article. Such services shall be provided only after such person 10 applies for a license pursuant to the provisions of this article, as may 11 applicable, and demonstrates their intent to provide reproductive 12 health services by providing a letter declaring the person's intention to provide such services and a letter from an employer or health care 13 14 entity indicating that the person has accepted employment or entered into a contract to provide reproductive health services, the person's 15 16 start date and the location where reproductive health services will be 17 provided. Such person may continue providing services pursuant to this section until such time that their license or certification to practice 18 is approved or denied. Provided however, that such person shall comply 19 20 with all applicable licensure and regulatory requirements and shall 21 practice within the scope of their license. Provided further, this 22 section shall not apply to persons licensed in a state or territory determined to have substandard or nonconforming professional licensing 23 24 requirements, as determined by the commissioner.

§ 3. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6907-a to read as follows:

26 27 § 6907-a. Licensed to practice in another state or territory. 28 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law, any person who is licensed to practice as a nurse practitioner or registered professional 29 30 nurse in another state or territory, who is in good standing in such 31 state or territory may provide professional services within this state 32 to persons seeking reproductive health services without first being 33 licensed pursuant to the provisions of this article. Such services shall 34 be provided only after such person applies for a license pursuant to the 35 provisions of this article, as may be applicable, and demonstrates their 36 intent to provide reproductive health services by providing a letter 37 declaring the person's intention to provide such services and a letter from an employer or health care entity indicating that the person has 38 39 accepted employment or entered into a contract to provide reproductive health services, the person's start date and the location where repro-40 ductive health services will be provided. Such person may continue 41 42 providing services pursuant to this section until such time that their 43 license or certification to practice is approved or denied. Provided 44 however, that such person shall comply with all applicable licensure and regulatory requirements and shall practice within the scope of their 45 46 license. Provided further, this section shall not apply to persons 47 licensed in a state or territory determined to have substandard or 48 nonconforming professional licensing requirements, as determined by the 49 commissioner.

§ 4. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6958-a to read as follows:

§ 6958-a. Licensed to practice in another state or territory.

Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law, any person who is

licensed to practice as a midwife in another state or territory, who is

in good standing in such state or territory may provide professional

services within this state to persons seeking reproductive health

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services without first being licensed pursuant to the provisions of this article. Such services shall be provided only after such person applies for a license pursuant to the provisions of this article, as may be applicable, and demonstrates their intent to provide reproductive health 5 services by providing a letter declaring the person's intention to provide such services and a letter from an employer or health care enti-7 ty indicating that the person has accepted employment or entered into a contract to provide reproductive health services, the person's start date and the location where reproductive health services will be 9 10 provided. Such person may continue providing services pursuant to this section until such time that their license or certification to practice 11 12 is approved or denied. Provided however, that such person shall comply with all applicable licensure and regulatory requirements and shall 13 14 practice within the scope of their license. Provided further, this 15 section shall not apply to persons licensed in a state or territory 16 determined to have substandard or nonconforming professional licensing 17 requirements, as determined by the commissioner.

§ 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

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