

HOUSE BILL No. 2298

By Representative Schwab

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AN ACT concerning the state board of nursing; authorizing the board to enter into agreements with other states for certain reciprocity of practice purposes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) The state board of nursing is hereby authorized to negotiate and enter into agreements with appropriate licensing agencies in other states which: (1) Authorize persons licensed in this state as licensed professional nurses to practice professional nursing in such other state and which authorize persons licensed to practice professional nursing in such other state to practice professional nursing in this state; or (2) authorize persons licensed to practice professional nursing in this state to practice professional nursing through the use of telecommunications in such other state and to authorize persons licensed to practice professional nursing in such other state to practice professional nursing through the use of telecommunications in this state; or (3) any combination of (1) and (2).

(b) Any agreement entered into under subsection (a) of this section shall provide:

(1) That nurses practicing under an agreement entered into pursuant to this section in a state in which the nurse is not licensed to practice shall not represent themselves as nurses licensed to practice in such state;

(2) that any nurse practicing under an agreement entered into pursuant to this section in a state in which the nurse is not licensed shall be subject to the same disciplinary requirements as nurses licensed to practice in such other state;

(3) for the procedure to be used for the processing of any complaints against any nurse practicing under an agreement entered into pursuant to this section, for disciplinary action against any such nurse, for the sharing of information and documents concerning any such complaints between the disciplinary bodies of such states; and

(4) for such other requirements, conditions and limitations as may be necessary to administer the provisions of an agreement entered into under this section.

(c) The state board of nursing may adopt such rules and regulations

1 as needed to administer the provisions of this section.

2 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
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