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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

AN ACT

RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING REFORM ACT

Introduced By: Senator Thomas J. Paolino

Date Introduced: March 01, 2024

Referred To: Senate Labor

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Title 28 of the General Laws entitled "LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS" 2 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following chapter: 3 **CHAPTER 60** OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING REFORM ACT 4 5 28-60-1. Occupational licensing reform – Reciprocity. 6 Any and all state licensing authorities shall be authorized to issue licenses to any individual 7 moving into this state with a minimum of three (3) years of licensed practice, in good standing in 8 any other state jurisdiction, as long as the individual's former home state of licensed practice requires a substantially equivalent education, experience and training as the state's licensure 9 10 requirements.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1	This act would authorize any and all state licensing authorities to issue licenses to
2	individuals moving into this state with a minimum of three (3) years of practice, in good standing
3	in any other state jurisdiction, as long as the individual's former home state requires a substantially
4	equivalent education, experience and training as the respective state licensure requirements.
5	This act would take effect upon passage.
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