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IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HEALTHCARE WORKER PLATFORM ACT

Referred To: House Health & Human Services

1 SECTION 1. Title 23 of the General Laws entitled "HEALTH AND SAFETY" is hereby
2 amended by adding thereto the following chapter:

HEALTHCARE WORKER PLATFORM ACT

This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Healthcare Worker Platform Act."

For the purposes of this chapter, the following words and terms have the following
meanings:

(b) "Platform" means an electronic platform, system, or application through which are workers can accept one or more shifts to perform healthcare related services at a are facility. To meet the definition of a platform, a healthcare worker platform shall not:

(2) Restrict a healthcare worker from engaging in any other occupation or business or from
g at a healthcare facility, with any nursing service agency, or through any other healthcare

1 worker platform.

2 **23-106-3. Licensure of healthcare worker platforms.**

3 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, a healthcare worker platform shall
4 be excluded from the definition of a "nursing service agency", as defined by §§ 23-17.7.1-3, 23-
5 17.7.1-10, and 23-17.7.1-19.

6 (b) On or before June 1, 2027, the department of health shall promulgate rules and
7 regulations that shall require the licensure of each healthcare worker platform that operates or offers
8 a platform within the state.

9 (c) The department of health may assess an annual licensure fee of one thousand dollars
10 (\$1,000) per licensee.

11 (d) After September 1, 2027, or by the date the department of health has set for licensure
12 of healthcare worker platforms pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, whichever is later, no
13 healthcare worker platform shall operate a platform in the state, unless it is licensed pursuant to
14 subsection (b) of this section.

15 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 establish the healthcare worker platform act allowing for the creation of
2 healthcare worker platforms, that would offer healthcare shifts enabling healthcare workers to
3 perform healthcare services. The healthcare worker platforms would be required to register with
4 the department of health and would be considered exempt from classification as a nursing service
5 agency.

6 This act would take effect upon passage.

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