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REFERRED TO CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE,
JUNE 7, 2024

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 63 (Professions and Occupations (State Licensed))
2 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in powers and
3 duties, providing for continuing education tracking system.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Title 63 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

8 § 3107.2. Continuing education tracking system.

9 (a) Continuing education tracking.--The bureau shall
10 implement an electronic or cloud-based continuing education
11 tracking system for use by each licensing board and licensing
12 commission to which a licensee, registrant, certificate holder
13 or permit holder is required to provide proof of continuing
14 education compliance for license, registration, certificate or
15 permit renewal in a practice act.

16 (b) System requirements.--The bureau shall ensure that the
17 continuing education tracking system required under subsection

18 (a) connects licensed professionals, staff and education

1 providers and has the capability to verify continuing education
2 compliance for license, registration, certificate or permit
3 renewal in a practice act. For the purposes of this subsection,
4 the continuing education tracking system may collect and use the
5 following information:

6 (1) The name in which a license, registration,
7 certificate or permit is issued.

8 (2) The license, registration, certificate or permit
9 number.

10 (3) The license, registration, certificate or permit
11 number issuance and expiration dates.

12 (4) Any other publicly disclosed information contained
13 on an application for a license, registration, certificate or
14 permit renewal to verify continuing education compliance.

15 (c) Implementation plan.--No later than 60 days after the
16 effective date of this subsection, the bureau shall develop a
17 plan for implementation of the continuing education tracking
18 system required under subsection (a).

19 (d) Operation of system.--No later than 18 months after the
20 effective date of this subsection, the bureau shall ensure that
21 the continuing education tracking system required under
22 subsection (a) is operational. The bureau may contract with a
23 third party entity to establish the continuing education
24 tracking system required under subsection (a).

25 (e) Use of system.--Each licensing board and licensing
26 commission shall require that a licensee, registrant,
27 certificate holder or permit holder use the continuing education
28 tracking system required under subsection (a) for the next
29 license, registration, certificate or permit renewal cycle in a
30 practice act after the date when the system is operational under

1 subsection (d).

2 (f) Construction.--Nothing in this section shall prohibit
3 the bureau or each licensing board and licensing commission from
4 granting a hardship waiver or imposing additional penalties as
5 provided by State law for failure of a licensee, registrant,
6 certificate holder or permit holder to comply with continuing
7 education requirements or continuing education audits.

8 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.