
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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REFERRED TO CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE,
NOVEMBER 5, 2021

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of October 10, 1975 (P.L.383, No.110), entitled
2 "An act relating to the practice of physical therapy,"
3 further providing for qualifications for license,
4 examinations, failure of examinations, licensure without
5 examination, issuing of license, foreign applicants for
6 licensure, temporary license and perjury.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 6 of the act of October 10, 1975
10 (P.L.383, No.110), known as the Physical Therapy Practice Act,
11 is amended by adding a subsection to read:

12 Section 6. Qualifications for License; Examinations; Failure
13 of Examinations; Licensure Without Examination; Issuing of
14 License; Foreign Applicants for Licensure; Temporary License;
15 Perjury.--* * *

16 (k) The board shall require an applicant for a licensure to
17 submit to a criminal history background check conducted by the
18 Pennsylvania State Police. The applicant shall submit
19 fingerprints and other identifying information to the

1 Pennsylvania State Police. The board may not consider an
2 applicant for an initial license who refuses to comply with this
3 subsection. The following shall apply:

4 (1) In order to assist the board in reviewing the criminal
5 history background of an applicant for a licensure, the
6 Pennsylvania State Police or its designee shall do the
7 following:

8 (i) Provide the board with a report of the applicant's
9 criminal history record information as defined in 18 Pa.C.S. §
10 9102 (relating to definitions) or a statement that the
11 Pennsylvania State Police central repository contains no
12 information relating to the applicant. The criminal history
13 record information under this subparagraph shall be subject to
14 18 Pa.C.S. § 9121(b) (2) (relating to general regulations).

15 (ii) Submit the applicant's fingerprints to the Federal
16 Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history records
17 check.

18 (iii) Provide the board with the national criminal history
19 record information of the applicant. The information provided
20 under this subparagraph shall not be subject to 18 Pa.C.S. §
21 9121(b) (2).

22 (2) Criminal history record information obtained by the
23 board under this section shall be interpreted and used only to
24 determine an applicant's eligibility for an initial license.

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