



# State of Tennessee

## PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 921

HOUSE BILL NO. 2900

By Representatives Kumar, Todd

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2850

By Senators Roberts, Rose

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 63 and Title 68, and Chapter 211 of the Public Acts of 2023, relative to occupational licensing.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-58-103(a), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting:

(a)

(1) Except where prohibited by federal law, every state governmental entity and local health department shall verify, in the manner provided in this chapter, that each applicant who is eighteen (18) years of age or older and applies for a federal, state, or local public benefit from the state governmental entity or local health department, is a United States citizen or lawfully present in the United States pursuant to the federal Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. § 1101 et seq.).

(2) To satisfy the citizenship or lawful presence requirement of subdivision (a)(1), an applicant for a professional license or certificate that is issued pursuant to:

(i) Title 63, chapter 6 or 9, for practice as a physician, may show that the applicant has applied for a valid visa that would authorize the applicant to work in the United States under federal law; or

(ii) Title 57 may show that the applicant has a valid J-1 or F-1 student visa, as verified by the alcoholic beverage commission.

SECTION 2. Chapter 211 of the Public Acts of 2023, is amended by deleting subdivision (g)(4) in SECTION 1 and substituting:

(4) The board shall grant a full and unrestricted license to practice medicine to a temporary licensee under subdivision (g)(1)(B) or (g)(1)(C) who is in good standing two (2) years after the first date the temporary licensee begins to practice medicine at a healthcare provider in this state as a temporary licensee. A temporary licensee who obtains a full and unrestricted license is not subject to the limitation of practicing at a healthcare facility with a post-graduate training program.

SECTION 3. SECTION 1 of this act takes effect July 1, 2024, the public welfare requiring it. SECTION 2 of this act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 15, 2024



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MCNALLY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2024



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR