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Amend SS/House Bill No. 596, Page 1, Section A, Line 4,

by inserting after all of said line the following:
"324.214. 1. For purposes of this section, the
<pre>following terms mean:</pre>
(1) "License", a license, certificate, registration,
permit, accreditation, or military occupational specialty
that enables a person to legally practice an occupation or
profession in a particular jurisdiction;
(2) "Military", the Armed Forces of the United States,
including the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps,
Navy, Space Force, National Guard, and any other military
branch that is designated by Congress as part of the Armed
Forces of the United States, and all reserve components and
auxiliaries. The term "military" also includes the military
reserves and militia of any United States territory or state;
(3) "Nonresident military spouse", a nonresident
spouse of an active-duty member of the Armed Forces of the
United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be
transferred to this state, or who has been transferred or is
scheduled to be transferred to an adjacent state and is or
will be domiciled in this state, or has moved to this state
on a permanent change-of-station basis;
(4) "Oversight body", any board, department, agency,
or office of a jurisdiction that issues licenses;
(5) "Resident military spouse", a spouse of an active-
duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who has

- been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to this
- 28 state or an adjacent state and who is a permanent resident
- of this state, who is domiciled in this state, or who has
- 30 this state as his or her home of record.
- 31 2. Any person who holds a valid current dietitian
- 32 license issued by another state, a branch or unit of the
- 33 military, a territory of the United States, or the District
- 34 of Columbia, and who has been licensed for at least one year
- in such other jurisdiction, may submit to the committee an
- 36 application for a dietitian license in this state along with
- 37 proof of current licensure and proof of licensure for at
- 38 least one year in the other jurisdiction.
 - 3. The committee shall:

- 40 (1) Within six months of receiving an application
- 41 described in subsection 2 of this section, waive any
- 42 examination, educational, or experience requirements for
- 43 licensure in this state for the applicant if it determines
- 44 that there were minimum education requirements and, if
- 45 applicable, work experience and clinical supervision
- 46 requirements in effect and the other jurisdiction verifies
- 47 that the person met those requirements in order to be
- 48 licensed or certified in that jurisdiction. The committee
- 49 may require an applicant to take and pass an examination
- 50 specific to the laws of this state; or
- 51 (2) Within thirty days of receiving an application
- 52 described in subsection 2 of this section from a nonresident
- 53 military spouse or a resident military spouse, waive any
- 54 examination, educational, or experience requirements for
- 55 licensure in this state for the applicant and issue such
- 56 applicant a license under this section if such applicant
- 57 otherwise meets the requirements of this section.
- 58 $\underline{4}$. (1) The committee shall not waive any examination,
- 59 educational, or experience requirements for any applicant

- 60 who has had his or her license revoked by an oversight body
- 61 outside the state; who is currently under investigation, who
- 62 has a complaint pending, or who is currently under
- disciplinary action, except as provided in subdivision (2)
- of this subsection, with an oversight body outside the
- 65 state; who does not hold a license in good standing with an
- oversight body outside the state; who has a criminal record
- 67 that would disqualify him or her for licensure in this
- 68 state; or who does not hold a valid current license in the
- 69 other jurisdiction on the date the committee receives his or
- 70 her application under this section.
- 71 (2) If another jurisdiction has taken disciplinary
- 72 action against an applicant, the committee shall determine
- 73 if the cause for the action was corrected and the matter
- 74 resolved. If the matter has not been resolved by that
- 75 jurisdiction, the committee may deny a license until the
- 76 matter is resolved.
- 77 5. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the
- 78 committee from denying a license to an applicant under this
- 79 section for any reason described in section 324.217.
- 80 6. Any person who is licensed under the provisions of
- 81 this section shall be subject to the committee's
- 82 jurisdiction and all rules and regulations pertaining to
- 83 dietetics practice in this state.
- 7. This section shall not be construed to waive any
- 85 requirement for an applicant to pay any fees.
- 86 324.218. 1. An applicant who has not previously taken
- 87 or passed an examination recognized by the committee and who
- 88 meets the qualifications of subsection 2 of section 324.210
- 89 may obtain without examination a nonrenewable temporary
- 90 license by paying a temporary license fee and submitting to
- 91 the committee an agreement-to-supervise form that is signed
- 92 by a licensed dietitian who has agreed to supervise the

- applicant. Such temporary licensee may practice dietetics,
 but any such practice shall be under the supervision of a
 dietitian licensed in this state.
- 96 2. (1) Any dietitian who has agreed to supervise a
 97 temporary licensee shall hold an unencumbered license to
 98 practice dietetics in this state and shall provide the
 99 committee proof of active dietetics practice in this state
 100 for a minimum of one year before supervising the temporary
 101 licensee.
- 102 (2) The supervising dietitian shall not be an

 103 immediate family member of the temporary licensee. The

 104 committee shall define the term "immediate family member"

 105 for purposes of this subdivision and the scope of such

 106 supervision by rule.
- 3. (1) The dietitian who has agreed to supervise the

 applicant for a temporary license shall submit to the

 committee a signed notarized form prescribed by the

 committee attesting that the applicant for a temporary

 license shall begin employment at a location in this state

 within seven days of issuance of the temporary license.
- 113 (2) If the temporary licensee's employment described

 114 in subdivision (1) of this subsection ceases, the

 115 supervising dietitian shall notify the committee within

 116 three days of such cessation.
- 117 <u>4. A licensed dietitian shall not supervise more than</u>
 118 one temporary licensee at a time.
- 120 under this section shall expire the date the committee is

 121 notified by the supervising dietitian that the temporary

 122 licensee's employment has ceased or within one hundred

 123 eighty days of its issuance, whichever occurs first.
- **124** 324.1800. SECTION 1: PURPOSE

125	The purpose of this compact is to facilitate interstate
126	Practice of Dietetics with the goal of improving public
127	access to dietetics services. This Compact preserves the
128	regulatory authority of States to protect public health and
129	safety through the current system of State licensure, while
130	also providing for licensure portability through a Compact
131	Privilege granted to qualifying professionals.
132	This Compact is designed to achieve the following
133	<pre>objectives:</pre>
134	A. Increase public access to dietetics services;
135	B. Provide opportunities for interstate practice by
136	Licensed Dietitians who meet uniform requirements;
137	C. Eliminate the necessity for Licenses in multiple
138	States;
139	D. Reduce administrative burden on Member States and
140	<u>Licensees;</u>
141	E. Enhance the States' ability to protect the public's
142	health and safety;
143	F. Encourage the cooperation of Member States in
144	regulating multistate practice of Licensed Dietitians;
145	G. Support relocating Active Military Members and
146	their spouses;
147	H. Enhance the exchange of licensure, investigative,
148	and disciplinary information among Member States; and
149	I. Vest all Member States with the authority to hold a
150	Licensed Dietitian accountable for meeting all State
151	practice laws in the State in which the patient is located
152	at the time care is rendered.
153	SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS
154	As used in this Compact, and except as otherwise
155	provided, the following definitions shall apply:

- 156 A. "ACEND" means the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics or its successor 157 158 organization. B. "Active Military Member" means any individual with 159 full-time duty status in the active armed forces of the 160 161 United States, including members of the National Guard and 162 Reserve. C. "Adverse Action" means any administrative, civil, 163 equitable or criminal action permitted by a State's laws 164 165 which is imposed by a Licensing Authority or other authority against a Licensee, including actions against an 166 167 individual's License or Compact Privilege such as 168 revocation, suspension, probation, monitoring of the Licensee, limitation on the Licensee's practice, or any 169 170 other Encumbrance on licensure affecting a Licensee's 171 authorization to practice, including issuance of a cease and 172 desist action. D. "Alternative Program" means a non-disciplinary 173 174 monitoring or practice remediation process approved by a 175 Licensing Authority. "Charter Member State" means any Member State which 176 enacted this Compact by law before the Effective Date 177 178 specified in Section 12. 179 F. "Continuing Education" means a requirement, as a condition of License renewal, to provide evidence of 180 181 participation in, and completion of, educational and 182 professional activities relevant to practice or area of work. G. "CDR" means the Commission on Dietetic Registration 183 184 or its successor organization. 185
- 185 <u>H. "Compact Commission" means the government agency</u>
 186 whose membership consists of all States that have enacted
 187 this Compact, which is known as the Dietitian Licensure

- 188 Compact Commission, as described in Section 8, and which
- 189 shall operate as an instrumentality of the Member States.
- 190 I. "Compact Privilege" means a legal authorization,
- 191 which is equivalent to a License, permitting the Practice of
- 192 Dietetics in a Remote State.
- J. "Current Significant Investigative Information"
- 194 means:
- 195 1. Investigative Information that a Licensing
- 196 Authority, after a preliminary inquiry that includes
- 197 notification and an opportunity for the subject Licensee to
- 198 respond, if required by State law, has reason to believe is
- 199 not groundless and, if proved true, would indicate more than
- a minor infraction; or
- 201 2. Investigative Information that indicates that the
- 202 subject Licensee represents an immediate threat to public
- 203 health and safety regardless of whether the subject Licensee
- 204 has been notified and had an opportunity to respond.
- 205 K. "Data System" means a repository of information
- 206 about Licensees, including, but not limited to, Continuing
- 207 Education, examination, licensure, investigative, Compact
- 208 Privilege and Adverse Action information.
- L. "Encumbered License" means a License in which an
- 210 Adverse Action restricts a Licensee's ability to practice
- 211 dietetics.
- 212 M. "Encumbrance" means a revocation or suspension of,
- 213 or any limitation on a Licensee's full and unrestricted
- 214 Practice of Dietetics by a Licensing Authority.
- N. "Executive Committee" means a group of delegates
- 216 elected or appointed to act on behalf of, and within the
- 217 powers granted to them by, this Compact, and the Compact
- 218 Commission.

- O. "Home State" means the Member State that is the
- 220 Licensee's primary State of residence or that has been
- designated pursuant to Section 6.
- P. "Investigative Information" means information,
- 223 records, and documents received or generated by a Licensing
- 224 Authority pursuant to an investigation.
- Q. "Jurisprudence Requirement" means an assessment of
- an individual's knowledge of the State laws and regulations
- 227 governing the Practice of Dietetics in such State.
- 228 R. "License" means an authorization from a Member
- 229 State to either:
- 230 1. Engage in the Practice of Dietetics (including
- 231 medical nutrition therapy); or
- 232 2. Use the title "dietitian," "licensed dietitian,"
- 233 "licensed dietitian nutritionist," "certified dietitian," or
- other title describing a substantially similar practitioner
- as the Compact Commission may further define by Rule.
- S. "Licensee" or "Licensed Dietitian" means an
- 237 individual who currently holds a License and who meets all
- 238 of the requirements outlined in Section 4.
- T. "Licensing Authority" means the board or agency of
- 240 a State, or equivalent, that is responsible for the
- 241 licensing and regulation of the Practice of Dietetics.
- U. "Member State" means a State that has enacted the
- 243 Compact.
- V. "Practice of Dietetics" means the synthesis and
- 245 application of dietetics, primarily for the provision of
- 246 nutrition care services, including medical nutrition
- 247 therapy, in person or via telehealth, to prevent, manage, or
- 248 treat diseases or medical conditions and promote wellness.
- 249 W. "Registered Dietitian" means a person who:

- 250 1. Has completed applicable education, experience,
- 251 examination, and recertification requirements approved by
- 252 CDR;
- 253 2. Is credentialed by CDR as a registered dietitian or
- 254 a registered dietitian nutritionist; and
- 255 3. Is legally authorized to use the title registered
- 256 dietitian or registered dietitian nutritionist and the
- 257 corresponding abbreviations "RD" or "RDN."
- 258 X. "Remote State" means a Member State other than the
- 259 Home State, where a Licensee is exercising or seeking to
- 260 exercise a Compact Privilege.
- Y. "Rule" means a regulation promulgated by the
- 262 Compact Commission that has the force of law.
- 263 Z. "Single State License" means a License issued by a
- 264 Member State within the issuing State and does not include a
- 265 Compact Privilege in any other Member State.
- AA. "State" means any state, commonwealth, district,
- or territory of the United States of America.
- BB. "Unencumbered License" means a License that
- 269 authorizes a Licensee to engage in the full and unrestricted
- 270 Practice of Dietetics.
- 271 SECTION 3. STATE PARTICIPATION IN THE COMPACT
- 272 A. To participate in the Compact, a State must
- 273 currently:
- 1. License and regulate the Practice of Dietetics; and
- 275 2. Have a mechanism in place for receiving and
- 276 investigating complaints about Licensees.
- B. A Member State shall:
- 278 1. Participate fully in the Compact Commission's Data
- 279 System, including using the unique identifier as defined in
- 280 Rules;
- 281 2. Notify the Compact Commission, in compliance with
- the terms of the Compact and Rules, of any Adverse Action or

- 285 3. Implement or utilize procedures for considering the
 286 criminal history record information of applicants for an
 287 initial Compact Privilege. These procedures shall include
 288 the submission of fingerprints or other biometric-based
 289 information by applicants for the purpose of obtaining an
- information by applicants for the purpose of obtaining an applicant's criminal history record information from the
- 291 Federal Bureau of Investigation and the agency responsible
- 292 for retaining that State's criminal records;

eligibility.

- 293 <u>a. A Member State must fully implement a criminal</u>
 294 <u>history record information requirement, within a time frame</u>
 295 <u>established by Rule, which includes receiving the results of</u>
 296 <u>the Federal Bureau of Investigation record search and shall</u>
 297 <u>use those results in determining Compact Privilege</u>
- b. Communication between a Member State and the

 Compact Commission or among Member States regarding the

 verification of eligibility for a Compact Privilege shall

 not include any information received from the Federal Bureau

 of Investigation relating to a federal criminal history

 record information check performed by a Member State.
- 305 <u>4. Comply with and enforce the Rules of the Compact</u>
 306 <u>Commission;</u>
- 5. Require an applicant for a Compact Privilege to

 obtain or retain a License in the Licensee's Home State and

 meet the Home State's qualifications for licensure or

 renewal of licensure, as well as all other applicable State

 laws; and
- 6. Recognize a Compact Privilege granted to a Licensee
 who meets all of the requirements outlined in Section 4 in
 accordance with the terms of the Compact and Rules.

315 C. Member States may set and collect a fee for 316 granting a Compact Privilege. 317 D. Individuals not residing in a Member State shall continue to be able to apply for a Member State's Single 318 State License as provided under the laws of each Member 319 320 State. However, the Single State License granted to these individuals shall not be recognized as granting a Compact 321 322 Privilege to engage in the Practice of Dietetics in any 323 other Member State. E. Nothing in this Compact shall affect the 324 325 requirements established by a Member State for the issuance 326 of a Single State License. F. At no point shall the Compact Commission have the 327 328 power to define the requirements for the issuance of a 329 Single State License to practice dietetics. The Member 330 States shall retain sole jurisdiction over the provision of 331 these requirements. 332 SECTION 4. COMPACT PRIVILEGE 333 To exercise the Compact Privilege under the terms 334 and provisions of the Compact, the Licensee shall: 335 1. Satisfy one of the following: Hold a valid current registration that gives the 336 applicant the right to use the term Registered Dietitian; or 337 338 b. Complete all of the following: 339 i. An education program which is either: 340 (a) A master's degree or doctoral degree that is programmatically accredited by (i) ACEND; or (ii) a 341 dietetics accrediting agency recognized by the United States 342 Department of Education, which the Compact Commission may by 343 344 Rule determine, and from a college or university accredited at the time of graduation by the appropriate regional 345 accrediting agency recognized by the Council on Higher 346

- Education Accreditation and the United States Department of
 Education.
- (b) An academic degree from a college or university in
- 350 a foreign country equivalent to the degree described in
- 351 subparagraph (a) that is programmatically accredited by (i)
- 352 ACEND; or (ii) a dietetics accrediting agency recognized by
- 353 the United States Department of Education, which the Compact
- 354 Commission may by Rule determine.
- ii. A planned, documented, supervised practice
- 356 experience in dietetics that is programmatically accredited
- 357 by (i) ACEND, or (ii) a dietetics accrediting agency
- 358 recognized by the United States Department of Education
- 359 which the Compact Commission may by Rule determine and which
- 360 involves at least 1000 hours of practice experience under
- 361 the supervision of a Registered Dietitian or a Licensed
- 362 Dietitian.
- iii. Successful completion of either: (i) the
- 364 Registration Examination for Dietitians administered by CDR,
- 365 or (ii) a national credentialing examination for dietitians
- 366 approved by the Compact Commission by Rule; such completion
- 367 being no more than five years prior to the date of the
- 368 Licensee's application for initial licensure and accompanied
- 369 by a period of continuous licensure thereafter, all of which
- 370 may be further governed by the Rules of the Compact
- 371 Commission.
- 372 2. Hold an Unencumbered License in the Home State;
- 373 3. Notify the Compact Commission that the Licensee is
- 374 seeking a Compact Privilege within a Remote State(s);
- 4. Pay any applicable fees, including any State fee,
- 376 for the Compact Privilege;
- 377 5. Meet any Jurisprudence Requirements established by
- 378 the Remote State(s) in which the Licensee is seeking a
- 379 Compact Privilege; and

380	6. Report to the Compact Commission any Adverse
381	Action, Encumbrance, or restriction on a License taken by
382	any non-Member State within 30 days from the date the action
383	is taken.
384	B. The Compact Privilege is valid until the expiration
385	date of the Home State License. To maintain a Compact
386	Privilege, renewal of the Compact Privilege shall be
387	congruent with the renewal of the Home State License as the
388	Compact Commission may define by Rule. The Licensee must
389	comply with the requirements of Section 4(A) to maintain the
390	Compact Privilege in the Remote State(s).
391	C. A Licensee exercising a Compact Privilege shall
392	adhere to the laws and regulations of the Remote State.
393	Licensees shall be responsible for educating themselves on,
394	and complying with, any and all State laws relating to the
395	Practice of Dietetics in such Remote State.
396	D. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary provided
397	in this Compact or State law, a Licensee exercising a
398	Compact Privilege shall not be required to complete
399	Continuing Education Requirements required by a Remote
400	State. A Licensee exercising a Compact Privilege is only
401	required to meet any Continuing Education Requirements as
402	required by the Home State.
403	SECTION 5: OBTAINING A NEW HOME STATE LICENSE BASED ON
404	A COMPACT PRIVILEGE
405	A. A Licensee may hold a Home State License, which
406	allows for a Compact Privilege in other Member States, in
407	only one Member State at a time.
408	B. If a Licensee changes Home State by moving between
409	two Member States:
410	1. The Licensee shall file an application for
411	obtaining a new Home State License based on a Compact

Privilege, pay all applicable fees, and notify the current

- 413 and new Home State in accordance with the Rules of the
- 414 Compact Commission.
- 415 2. Upon receipt of an application for obtaining a new
- 416 Home State License by virtue of a Compact Privilege, the new
- 417 Home State shall verify that the Licensee meets the criteria
- 418 in Section 4 via the Data System, and require that the
- 419 Licensee complete the following:
- 420 a. Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint based
- 421 <u>criminal history record information check;</u>
- b. Any other criminal history record information
- 423 required by the new Home State; and
- 424 c. Any Jurisprudence Requirements of the new Home
- 425 State.
- 426 3. The former Home State shall convert the former Home
- 427 State License into a Compact Privilege once the new Home
- 428 State has activated the new Home State License in accordance
- 429 with applicable Rules adopted by the Compact Commission.
- 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of this
- 431 Compact, if the Licensee cannot meet the criteria in Section
- 432 4, the new Home State may apply its requirements for issuing
- 433 a new Single State License.
- 5. The Licensee shall pay all applicable fees to the
- 435 new Home State in order to be issued a new Home State
- 436 License.
- 437 C. If a Licensee changes their State of residence by
- 438 moving from a Member State to a non-Member State, or from a
- 439 non-Member State to a Member State, the State criteria shall
- 440 apply for issuance of a Single State License in the new
- 441 State.
- D. Nothing in this Compact shall interfere with a
- 443 Licensee's ability to hold a Single State License in
- 444 multiple States; however, for the purposes of this Compact,
- 445 a Licensee shall have only one Home State License.

446 E. Nothing in this Compact shall affect the requirements established by a Member State for the issuance 447 448 of a Single State License. SECTION 6. ACTIVE MILITARY MEMBERS OR THEIR SPOUSES 449 450 An Active Military Member, or their spouse, shall designate a Home State where the individual has a current 451 License in good standing. The individual may retain the 452 453 Home State designation during the period the service member 454 is on active duty. 455 SECTION 7. ADVERSE ACTIONS A. In addition to the other powers conferred by State 456 457 law, a Remote State shall have the authority, in accordance 458 with existing State due process law, to: 459 Take Adverse Action against a Licensee's Compact 460 Privilege within that Member State; and 461 2. Issue subpoenas for both hearings and 462 investigations that require the attendance and testimony of 463 witnesses as well as the production of evidence. Subpoenas 464 issued by a Licensing Authority in a Member State for the 465 attendance and testimony of witnesses or the production of evidence from another Member State shall be enforced in the 466 467 latter State by any court of competent jurisdiction, according to the practice and procedure applicable to 468 469 subpoenas issued in proceedings pending before that court. 470 The issuing authority shall pay any witness fees, travel 471 expenses, mileage, and other fees required by the service 472 statutes of the State in which the witnesses or evidence are 473 located. B. Only the Home State shall have the power to take 474 475 Adverse Action against a Licensee's Home State License. C. For purposes of taking Adverse Action, the Home 476 State shall give the same priority and effect to reported 477

conduct received from a Member State as it would if the

- 479 conduct had occurred within the Home State. In so doing,
- 480 the Home State shall apply its own State laws to determine
- 481 appropriate action.
- D. The Home State shall complete any pending
- 483 investigations of a Licensee who changes Home States during
- 484 the course of the investigations. The Home State shall also
- 485 have authority to take appropriate action(s) and shall
- 486 promptly report the conclusions of the investigations to the
- 487 administrator of the Data System. The administrator of the
- 488 Data System shall promptly notify the new Home State of any
- 489 Adverse Actions.
- 490 E. A Member State, if otherwise permitted by State
- 491 law, may recover from the affected Licensee the costs of
- 492 investigations and dispositions of cases resulting from any
- 493 Adverse Action taken against that Licensee.
- 494 F. A Member State may take Adverse Action based on the
- 495 factual findings of another Remote State, provided that the
- 496 Member State follows its own procedures for taking the
- 497 Adverse Action.
- 498 G. Joint Investigations:
- 499 1. In addition to the authority granted to a Member
- 500 State by its respective State law, any Member State may
- 501 participate with other Member States in joint investigations
- of Licensees.
- 503 2. Member States shall share any investigative,
- 504 litigation, or compliance materials in furtherance of any
- 505 joint investigation initiated under the Compact.
- 506 H. If Adverse Action is taken by the Home State
- 507 against a Licensee's Home State License resulting in an
- 508 Encumbrance on the Home State License, the Licensee's
- 509 Compact Privilege(s) in all other Member States shall be
- 510 revoked until all Encumbrances have been removed from the
- 511 Home State License. All Home State disciplinary orders that

- 512 impose Adverse Action against a Licensee shall include a
- 513 statement that the Licensee's Compact Privileges are revoked
- in all Member States during the pendency of the order.
- I. Once an Encumbered License in the Home State is
- restored to an Unencumbered License (as certified by the
- 517 Home State's Licensing Authority), the Licensee must meet
- the requirements of Section 4(A) and follow the
- 519 administrative requirements to reapply to obtain a Compact
- 520 Privilege in any Remote State.
- J. If a Member State takes Adverse Action, it shall
- 522 promptly notify the administrator of the Data System. The
- 523 administrator of the Data System shall promptly notify the
- 524 other Member States of any Adverse Actions.
- 525 K. Nothing in this Compact shall override a Member
- 526 State's decision that participation in an Alternative
- 527 Program may be used in lieu of Adverse Action.
- 528 SECTION 8. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DIETITIAN LICENSURE
- 529 COMPACT COMMISSION
- A. The Compact Member States hereby create and
- establish a joint government agency whose membership
- consists of all Member States that have enacted the Compact
- 533 known as the Dietitian Licensure Compact Commission. The
- 534 Compact Commission is an instrumentality of the Compact
- 535 States acting jointly and not an instrumentality of any one
- 536 State. The Compact Commission shall come into existence on
- or after the effective date of the Compact as set forth in
- 538 Section 12.
- B. Membership, Voting, and Meetings
- 540 1. Each Member State shall have and be limited to one
- (1) delegate selected by that Member State's Licensing
- 542 Authority.
- 2. The delegate shall be the primary administrator of
- 544 the Licensing Authority or their designee.

545	3. The Compact Commission shall by Rule or bylaw	
546	establish a term of office for delegates and may by Rule or	
547	bylaw establish term limits.	

- 548 <u>4. The Compact Commission may recommend removal or</u> 549 <u>suspension of any delegate from office.</u>
- 550 5. A Member State's Licensing Authority shall fill any
 vacancy of its delegate occurring on the Compact Commission
 within 60 days of the vacancy.
- 553 6. Each delegate shall be entitled to one vote on all
 554 matters before the Compact Commission requiring a vote by
 555 the delegates.
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 7. Delegates shall meet and vote by such means as set

 557 forth in the bylaws. The bylaws may provide for delegates

 558 to meet and vote in-person or by telecommunication, video

 559 conference, or other means of communication.
- 560 8. The Compact Commission shall meet at least once
 561 during each calendar year. Additional meetings may be held
 562 as set forth in the bylaws. The Compact Commission may meet
 563 in person or by telecommunication, video conference, or
 564 other means of communication.
- 565 <u>C. The Compact Commission shall have the following</u>
 566 <u>powers:</u>
 - 1. Establish the fiscal year of the Compact Commission;
- 568 <u>2. Establish code of conduct and conflict of interest</u>
 569 policies;
- 570 3. Establish and amend Rules and bylaws;

- 571 <u>4. Maintain its financial records in accordance with</u>
 572 the bylaws;
- 573 5. Meet and take such actions as are consistent with

 574 the provisions of this Compact, the Compact Commission's

 575 Rules, and the bylaws;
- 576 <u>6. Initiate and conclude legal proceedings or actions</u>
 577 in the name of the Compact Commission, provided that the

- 578 standing of any Licensing Authority to sue or be sued under
- 579 applicable law shall not be affected;
- 580 7. Maintain and certify records and information
- 581 provided to a Member State as the authenticated business
- records of the Compact Commission, and designate an agent to
- 583 do so on the Compact Commission's behalf;
- 8. Purchase and maintain insurance and bonds;
- 9. Borrow, accept, or contract for services of
- personnel, including, but not limited to, employees of a
- 587 Member State;
- 588 10. Conduct an annual financial review;
- 589 11. Hire employees, elect or appoint officers, fix
- 590 compensation, define duties, grant such individuals
- 591 appropriate authority to carry out the purposes of the
- 592 Compact, and establish the Compact Commission's personnel
- 593 policies and programs relating to conflicts of interest,
- 594 qualifications of personnel, and other related personnel
- 595 matters;
- 596 12. Assess and collect fees;
- 597 13. Accept any and all appropriate donations, grants
- 598 of money, other sources of revenue, equipment, supplies,
- 599 materials, services, and gifts, and receive, utilize, and
- dispose of the same; provided that at all times the Compact
- 601 Commission shall avoid any actual or appearance of
- 602 impropriety or conflict of interest;
- 603 14. Lease, purchase, retain, own, hold, improve, or
- 604 use any property, real, personal, or mixed, or any undivided
- 605 interest therein;
- 15. Sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange,
- 607 abandon, or otherwise dispose of any property real,
- 608 personal, or mixed;
- 609 16. Establish a budget and make expenditures;
- 610 17. Borrow money;

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611	18. Appoint committees, including standing committees,
612	composed of members, State regulators, State legislators or
613	their representatives, and consumer representatives, and
614	such other interested persons as may be designated in this
615	Compact or the bylaws;
616	19. Provide and receive information from, and
617	cooperate with, law enforcement agencies;
618	20. Establish and elect an Executive Committee,
619	including a chair and a vice chair;
620	21. Determine whether a State's adopted language is
621	materially different from the model compact language such
622	that the State would not qualify for participation in the
623	Compact; and
624	22. Perform such other functions as may be necessary
625	or appropriate to achieve the purposes of this Compact.
626	D. The Executive Committee
627	1. The Executive Committee shall have the power to act
628	on behalf of the Compact Commission according to the terms
629	of this Compact. The powers, duties, and responsibilities
630	of the Executive Committee shall include:
631	a. Oversee the day-to-day activities of the
632	administration of the Compact including enforcement and
633	compliance with the provisions of the Compact, its Rules and
634	bylaws, and other such duties as deemed necessary;
635	b. Recommend to the Compact Commission changes to the
636	Rules or bylaws, changes to this Compact legislation, fees
637	charged to Compact Member States, fees charged to Licensees,
638	and other fees;
639	c. Ensure Compact administration services are
640	appropriately provided, including by contract;
641	d. Prepare and recommend the budget;

e. Maintain financial records on behalf of the Compact

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Commission;

644	f. Monitor Compact compliance of Member States and
645	provide compliance reports to the Compact Commission;
646	g. Establish additional committees as necessary;
647	h. Exercise the powers and duties of the Compact
648	Commission during the interim between Compact Commission
649	meetings, except for adopting or amending Rules, adopting or
650	amending bylaws, and exercising any other powers and duties
651	expressly reserved to the Compact Commission by Rule or
652	bylaw; and
653	i. Other duties as provided in the Rules or bylaws of
654	the Compact Commission.
655	2. The Executive Committee shall be composed of nine
656	<pre>members:</pre>
657	a. The chair and vice chair of the Compact Commission
658	shall be voting members of the Executive Committee;
659	b. Five voting members from the current membership of
660	the Compact Commission, elected by the Compact Commission;
661	c. One ex-officio, nonvoting member from a recognized
662	professional association representing dietitians; and
663	d. One ex-officio, nonvoting member from a recognized
664	national credentialing organization for dietitians.
665	3. The Compact Commission may remove any member of the
666	Executive Committee as provided in the Compact Commission's
667	bylaws.
668	4. The Executive Committee shall meet at least
669	annually.
670	a. Executive Committee meetings shall be open to the
671	<pre>public, except that the Executive Committee may meet in a</pre>
672	<pre>closed, non-public meeting as provided in subsection (F)(2).</pre>
673	b. The Executive Committee shall give 30 days' notice
674	of its meetings, posted on the website of the Compact
675	Commission and as determined to provide notice to persons
676	with an interest in the business of the Compact Commission.

- 677 <u>c. The Executive Committee may hold a special meeting</u>
 678 in accordance with subsection (F)(1)(b).
- 679 <u>E. The Compact Commission shall adopt and provide to</u> 680 the Member States an annual report.
- F. Meetings of the Compact Commission
- 1. All meetings shall be open to the public, except
- that the Compact Commission may meet in a closed, non-public
- meeting as provided in subsection (F)(2).
- a. Public notice for all meetings of the full Compact
- 686 Commission shall be given in the same manner as required
- 687 under the rulemaking provisions in Section 10, except that
- 688 the Compact Commission may hold a special meeting as
- provided in subsection (F) (1) (b).
- 690 b. The Compact Commission may hold a special meeting
- 691 when it must meet to conduct emergency business by giving 24
- 692 hours' notice to all Member States, on the Compact
- 693 Commission's website, and other means as provided in the
- 694 Compact Commission's Rules. The Compact Commission's legal
- 695 counsel shall certify that the Compact Commission's need to
- 696 meet qualifies as an emergency.
- 697 2. The Compact Commission or the Executive Committee
- 698 or other committees of the Compact Commission may convene in
- 699 a closed, non-public meeting for the Compact Commission or
- 700 Executive Committee or other committees of the Compact
- 701 Commission to receive legal advice or to discuss:
- 702 a. Non-compliance of a Member State with its
- 703 obligations under the Compact;
- b. The employment, compensation, discipline, or other
- 705 matters, practices, or procedures related to specific
- 706 employees;
- 707 c. Current or threatened discipline of a Licensee by
- 708 the Compact Commission or by a Member State's Licensing
- 709 Authority;

- 710 d. Current, threatened, or reasonably anticipated
- 711 litigation;
- 712 e. Negotiation of contracts for the purchase, lease,
- 713 or sale of goods, services, or real estate;
- f. Accusing any person of a crime or formally
- 715 censuring any person;
- g. Trade secrets or commercial or financial
- 717 <u>information that is privileged or confidential;</u>
- 718 <u>h. Information of a personal nature where disclosure</u>
- 719 would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal
- 720 privacy;
- 721 <u>i. Investigative records compiled for law enforcement</u>
- 722 purposes;
- j. Information related to any investigative reports
- 724 prepared by or on behalf of or for use of the Compact
- 725 Commission or other committee charged with responsibility of
- 726 investigation or determination of compliance issues pursuant
- 727 to the Compact;
- 728 k. Matters specifically exempted from disclosure by
- 729 federal or Member State law; or
- 730 l. Other matters as specified in the Rules of the
- 731 Compact Commission.
- 732 3. If a meeting, or portion of a meeting, is closed,
- 733 the presiding officer shall state that the meeting will be
- 734 closed and reference each relevant exempting provision, and
- 735 such reference shall be recorded in the minutes.
- 736 4. The Compact Commission shall keep minutes that
- 737 fully and clearly describe all matters discussed in a
- 738 meeting and shall provide a full and accurate summary of
- 739 actions taken, and the reasons therefore, including a
- 740 description of the views expressed. All documents
- 741 considered in connection with an action shall be identified
- 742 in such minutes. All minutes and documents of a closed

- 743 meeting shall remain under seal, subject to release only by
- 744 a majority vote of the Compact Commission or order of a
- 745 court of competent jurisdiction.
- 746 G. Financing of the Compact Commission
- 747 1. The Compact Commission shall pay, or provide for
- 748 the payment of, the reasonable expenses of its
- 749 establishment, organization, and ongoing activities.
- 750 2. The Compact Commission may accept any and all
- 751 appropriate revenue sources as provided in subsection
- **752** (C) (13).
- 753 3. The Compact Commission may levy on and collect an
- 754 annual assessment from each Member State and impose fees on
- 755 Licensees of Member States to whom it grants a Compact
- 756 Privilege to cover the cost of the operations and activities
- 757 of the Compact Commission and its staff, which must, in a
- 758 total amount, be sufficient to cover its annual budget as
- 759 approved each year for which revenue is not provided by
- 760 other sources. The aggregate annual assessment amount for
- 761 Member States shall be allocated based upon a formula that
- 762 the Compact Commission shall promulgate by Rule.
- 763 4. The Compact Commission shall not incur obligations
- 764 of any kind prior to securing the funds adequate to meet the
- 765 same; nor shall the Compact Commission pledge the credit of
- 766 any of the Member States, except by and with the authority
- of the Member State.
- 768 5. The Compact Commission shall keep accurate accounts
- 769 of all receipts and disbursements. The receipts and
- 770 disbursements of the Compact Commission shall be subject to
- 771 the financial review and accounting procedures established
- 772 under its bylaws. However, all receipts and disbursements
- of funds handled by the Compact Commission shall be subject
- 774 to an annual financial review by a certified or licensed
- 775 public accountant, and the report of the financial review

776 shall be included in and become part of the annual report of 777 the Compact Commission. H. Qualified Immunity, Defense, and Indemnification 778 1. The members, officers, executive director, 779 780 employees and representatives of the Compact Commission 781 shall be immune from suit and liability, both personally and in their official capacity, for any claim for damage to or 782 783 loss of property or personal injury or other civil liability 784 caused by or arising out of any actual or alleged act, 785 error, or omission that occurred, or that the person against whom the claim is made had a reasonable basis for believing 786 787 occurred within the scope of Compact Commission employment, 788 duties, or responsibilities; provided that nothing in this 789 paragraph shall be construed to protect any such person from 790 suit or liability for any damage, loss, injury, or liability 791 caused by the intentional or willful or wanton misconduct of 792 that person. The procurement of insurance of any type by 793 the Compact Commission shall not in any way compromise or 794 limit the immunity granted hereunder. 795 The Compact Commission shall defend any member, officer, executive director, employee, and representative of 796 797 the Compact Commission in any civil action seeking to impose liability arising out of any actual or alleged act, error, 798 799 or omission that occurred within the scope of Compact 800 Commission employment, duties, or responsibilities, or as 801 determined by the Compact Commission that the person against 802 whom the claim is made had a reasonable basis for believing occurred within the scope of Compact Commission employment, 803 duties, or responsibilities; provided that nothing herein 804 shall be construed to prohibit that person from retaining 805 their own counsel at their own expense; and provided 806

further, that the actual or alleged act, error, or omission

- 808 <u>did not result from that person's intentional or willful or</u> 809 wanton misconduct.
- 810 3. The Compact Commission shall indemnify and hold
- 811 harmless any member, officer, executive director, employee,
- 812 and representative of the Compact Commission for the amount
- 813 of any settlement or judgment obtained against that person
- 814 arising out of any actual or alleged act, error, or omission
- 815 that occurred within the scope of Compact Commission
- 816 employment, duties, or responsibilities, or that such person
- 817 had a reasonable basis for believing occurred within the
- 818 scope of Compact Commission employment, duties, or
- 819 responsibilities, provided that the actual or alleged act,
- 820 error, or omission did not result from the intentional or
- 821 willful or wanton misconduct of that person.
- 822 4. Nothing herein shall be construed as a limitation
- 823 on the liability of any Licensee for professional
- 824 malpractice or misconduct, which shall be governed solely by
- 825 any other applicable State laws.
- 826 5. Nothing in this Compact shall be interpreted to
- 827 waive or otherwise abrogate a Member State's state action
- 828 immunity or state action affirmative defense with respect to
- 829 antitrust claims under the Sherman Act, Clayton Act, or any
- 830 other State or federal antitrust or anticompetitive law or
- 831 regulation.
- 832 6. Nothing in this Compact shall be construed to be a
- 833 waiver of sovereign immunity by the Member States or by the
- 834 Compact Commission.
- 835 SECTION 9. DATA SYSTEM
- 836 A. The Compact Commission shall provide for the
- 837 development, maintenance, operation, and utilization of a
- 838 coordinated Data System.

839	B. The Compact Commission shall assign each applicant
840	for a Compact Privilege a unique identifier, as determined
841	by the Rules.
842	C. Notwithstanding any other provision of State law to
843	the contrary, a Member State shall submit a uniform data set
844	to the Data System on all individuals to whom this Compact
845	is applicable as required by the Rules of the Compact
846	Commission, including:
847	1. Identifying information;
848	2. Licensure data;
849	3. Adverse Actions against a License or Compact
850	Privilege and information related thereto;
851	4. Non-confidential information related to Alternative
852	Program participation, the beginning and ending dates of
853	such participation, and other information related to such
854	participation not made confidential under Member State law;
855	5. Any denial of application for licensure, and the
856	<pre>reason(s) for such denial;</pre>
857	6. The presence of Current Significant Investigative
858	<pre>Information; and</pre>
859	7. Other information that may facilitate the
860	administration of this Compact or the protection of the
861	public, as determined by the Rules of the Compact Commission.
862	D. The records and information provided to a Member
863	State pursuant to this Compact or through the Data System,
864	when certified by the Compact Commission or an agent
865	thereof, shall constitute the authenticated business records
866	of the Compact Commission, and shall be entitled to any
867	associated hearsay exception in any relevant judicial, quasi-
868	judicial, or administrative proceedings in a Member State.
869	E. Current Significant Investigative Information
870	pertaining to a Licensee in any Member State will only be

available to other Member States.

872 F. It is the responsibility of the Member States to 873 report any Adverse Action against a Licensee and to monitor 874 the Data System to determine whether any Adverse Action has been taken against a Licensee. Adverse Action information 875 876 pertaining to a Licensee in any Member State will be 877 available to any other Member State. G. Member States contributing information to the Data 878 879 System may designate information that may not be shared with 880 the public without the express permission of the 881 contributing State. H. Any information submitted to the Data System that 882 883 is subsequently expunded pursuant to federal law or the laws 884 of the Member State contributing the information shall be removed from the Data System. 885 886 SECTION 10. RULEMAKING The Compact Commission shall promulgate reasonable 887 Rules in order to effectively and efficiently implement and 888 889 administer the purposes and provisions of the Compact. A 890 Rule shall be invalid and have no force or effect only if a 891 court of competent jurisdiction holds that the Rule is invalid because the Compact Commission exercised its 892 893 rulemaking authority in a manner that is beyond the scope 894 and purposes of the Compact, or the powers granted 895 hereunder, or based upon another applicable standard of 896 review. 897 The Rules of the Compact Commission shall have the force of law in each Member State, provided however that 898 where the Rules conflict with the laws or regulations of a 899 Member State that relate to the procedures, actions, and 900 901 processes a Licensed Dietitian is permitted to undertake in 902 that State and the circumstances under which they may do so, as held by a court of competent jurisdiction, the Rules of

- 904 the Compact Commission shall be ineffective in that State to
 905 the extent of the conflict.
- 906 <u>C. The Compact Commission shall exercise its</u>
 907 <u>rulemaking powers pursuant to the criteria set forth in this</u>
 908 <u>Section and the Rules adopted thereunder. Rules shall</u>
 909 <u>become binding on the day following adoption or as of the</u>
 910 date specified in the Rule or amendment, whichever is later.
- D. If a majority of the legislatures of the Member

 States rejects a Rule or portion of a Rule, by enactment of

 a statute or resolution in the same manner used to adopt the

 Compact within four (4) years of the date of adoption of the

 Rule, then such Rule shall have no further force and effect

 in any Member State.
- 917 <u>E. Rules shall be adopted at a regular or special</u>
 918 meeting of the Compact Commission.
- 919 F. Prior to adoption of a proposed Rule, the Compact
 920 Commission shall hold a public hearing and allow persons to
 921 provide oral and written comments, data, facts, opinions,
 922 and arguments.
- G. Prior to adoption of a proposed Rule by the Compact

 Commission, and at least thirty (30) days in advance of the

 meeting at which the Compact Commission will hold a public

 hearing on the proposed Rule, the Compact Commission shall

 provide a Notice of Proposed rulemaking:
- 928 <u>1. On the website of the Compact Commission or other</u> 929 publicly accessible platform;
- 930 <u>2. To persons who have requested notice of the Compact</u>
 931 Commission's notices of proposed rulemaking; and
- 932 <u>3. In such other way(s) as the Compact Commission may</u> 933 by Rule specify.
- 934 H. The Notice of Proposed rulemaking shall include:
- 935 <u>1. The time, date, and location of the public hearing</u>
 936 at which the Compact Commission will hear public comments on

937 the proposed Rule and, if different, the time

- 938 location of the meeting where the Compact Commission will
- 939 consider and vote on the proposed Rule;
- 940 2. If the hearing is held via telecommunication, video
- 941 conference, or other means of communication, the Compact
- 942 Commission shall include the mechanism for access to the
- 943 hearing in the Notice of Proposed rulemaking;
- 3. The text of the proposed Rule and the reason
- 945 therefore;
- 946 4. A request for comments on the proposed Rule from
- 947 any interested person; and
- 948 5. The manner in which interested persons may submit
- 949 written comments.
- 950 I. All hearings will be recorded. A copy of the
- 951 recording and all written comments and documents received by
- 952 the Compact Commission in response to the proposed Rule
- 953 shall be available to the public.
- J. Nothing in this Section shall be construed as
- 955 requiring a separate hearing on each Rule. Rules may be
- 956 grouped for the convenience of the Compact Commission at
- 957 hearings required by this Section.
- 958 K. The Compact Commission shall, by majority vote of
- 959 all members, take final action on the proposed Rule based on
- 960 the rulemaking record and the full text of the Rule.
- 961 1. The Compact Commission may adopt changes to the
- 962 proposed Rule provided the changes do not enlarge the
- 963 original purpose of the proposed Rule.
- 964 2. The Compact Commission shall provide an explanation
- 965 of the reasons for substantive changes made to the proposed
- 966 Rule as well as reasons for substantive changes not made
- that were recommended by commenters.
- 968 3. The Compact Commission shall determine a reasonable
- 969 effective date for the Rule. Except for an emergency as

- 970 provided in Section 10(L), the effective date of the Rule
- 971 shall be no sooner than 30 days after issuing the notice
- 972 that it adopted or amended the Rule.
- 973 L. Upon determination that an emergency exists, the
- 974 Compact Commission may consider and adopt an emergency Rule
- 975 with 24 hours' notice, with opportunity to comment, provided
- 976 that the usual rulemaking procedures provided in the Compact
- 977 and in this Section shall be retroactively applied to the
- 978 Rule as soon as reasonably possible, in no event later than
- 979 ninety (90) days after the effective date of the Rule. For
- 980 the purposes of this provision, an emergency Rule is one
- 981 that must be adopted immediately in order to:
- 982 1. Meet an imminent threat to public health, safety,
- 983 or welfare;
- 984 2. Prevent a loss of Compact Commission or Member
- 985 State funds;
- 986 3. Meet a deadline for the promulgation of a Rule that
- 987 is established by federal law or rule; or
- 988 4. Protect public health and safety.
- 989 M. The Compact Commission or an authorized committee
- 990 of the Compact Commission may direct revision to a
- 991 previously adopted Rule for purposes of correcting
- 992 typographical errors, errors in format, errors in
- 993 consistency, or grammatical errors. Public notice of any
- 994 revision shall be posted on the website of the Compact
- 995 Commission. The revision shall be subject to challenge by
- 996 any person for a period of thirty (30) days after posting.
- 997 The revision may be challenged only on grounds that the
- 998 revision results in a material change to a Rule. A
- 999 challenge shall be made in writing and delivered to the
- 1000 Compact Commission prior to the end of the notice period.
- 1001 If no challenge is made, the revision will take effect
- 1002 without further action. If the revision is challenged, the

- 1003 revision may not take effect without the approval of the

 1004 Compact Commission.

 1005 N. No Member State's rulemaking requirements shall

 1006 apply under this Compact.
- 1007 SECTION 11. OVERSIGHT, DISPUTE RESOLUTION, AND
- 1008 ENFORCEMENT
- 1009 A. Oversight
- 1010 1. The executive and judicial branches of State
- 1011 government in each Member State shall enforce this Compact
- and take all actions necessary and appropriate to implement
- this Compact.
- 1014 2. Except as otherwise provided in this Compact, venue
- is proper and judicial proceedings by or against the Compact
- 1016 Commission shall be brought solely and exclusively in a
- 1017 court of competent jurisdiction where the principal office
- 1018 of the Compact Commission is located. The Compact
- 1019 Commission may waive venue and jurisdictional defenses to
- 1020 the extent it adopts or consents to participate in
- 1021 alternative dispute resolution proceedings. Nothing herein
- 1022 shall affect or limit the selection or propriety of venue in
- any action against a Licensee for professional malpractice,
- 1024 misconduct, or any such similar matter.
- 1025 3. The Compact Commission shall be entitled to receive
- 1026 service of process in any proceeding regarding the
- 1027 enforcement or interpretation of the Compact and shall have
- 1028 standing to intervene in such a proceeding for all
- 1029 purposes. Failure to provide the Compact Commission service
- 1030 of process shall render a judgment or order void as to the
- 1031 Compact Commission, this Compact, or promulgated Rules.
- 1032 B. Default, Technical Assistance, and Termination
- 10. If the Compact Commission determines that a Member
- 1034 State has defaulted in the performance of its obligations or
- 1035 responsibilities under this Compact or the promulgated

- 1036 Rules, the Compact Commission shall provide written notice
- 1037 to the defaulting State. The notice of default shall
- 1038 describe the default, the proposed means of curing the
- 1039 default, and any other action that the Compact Commission
- 1040 may take and shall offer training and specific technical
- 1041 assistance regarding the default.
- 1042 2. The Compact Commission shall provide a copy of the
- notice of default to the other Member States.
- 1044 C. If a State in default fails to cure the default,
- 1045 the defaulting State may be terminated from the Compact upon
- 1046 an affirmative vote of a majority of the delegates of the
- 1047 Member States, and all rights, privileges, and benefits
- 1048 conferred on that State by this Compact may be terminated on
- 1049 the effective date of termination. A cure of the default
- 1050 does not relieve the offending State of obligations or
- 1051 liabilities incurred during the period of default.
- 1052 D. Termination of membership in the Compact shall be
- imposed only after all other means of securing compliance
- 1054 have been exhausted. Notice of intent to suspend or
- 1055 terminate shall be given by the Compact Commission to the
- 1056 governor, the majority and minority leaders of the
- 1057 defaulting State's legislature, the defaulting State's
- 1058 Licensing Authority, and each of the Member States'
- 1059 Licensing Authority.
- 1060 E. A State that has been terminated is responsible for
- 1061 all assessments, obligations, and liabilities incurred
- 1062 through the effective date of termination, including
- 1063 obligations that extend beyond the effective date of
- 1064 termination.
- 1065 F. Upon the termination of a State's membership from
- 1066 this Compact, that State shall immediately provide notice to
- 1067 all Licensees within that State of such termination. The
- 1068 terminated State shall continue to recognize all Compact

- 1069 Privileges granted pursuant to this Compact for a minimum of

 1070 six months after the date of said notice of termination.
- 1071 G. The Compact Commission shall not bear any costs
- 1072 related to a State that is found to be in default or that
- 1073 has been terminated from the Compact, unless agreed upon in
- 1074 writing between the Compact Commission and the defaulting
- 1075 State.
- 1076 H. The defaulting State may appeal the action of the
- 1077 Compact Commission by petitioning the U.S. District Court
- 1078 for the District of Columbia or the federal district where
- 1079 the Compact Commission has its principal offices. The
- 1080 prevailing party shall be awarded all costs of such
- 1081 litigation, including reasonable attorney's fees.
- 1082 I. Dispute Resolution
- 1083 1. Upon request by a Member State, the Compact
- 1084 Commission shall attempt to resolve disputes related to the
- 1085 Compact that arise among Member States and between Member
- 1086 and non-Member States.
- 1087 2. The Compact Commission shall promulgate a Rule
- 1088 providing for both mediation and binding dispute resolution
- 1089 for disputes as appropriate.
- 1090 J. Enforcement
- 1091 1. By supermajority vote, the Compact Commission may
- 1092 initiate legal action against a Member State in default in
- 1093 the United States District Court for the District of
- 1094 Columbia or the federal district where the Compact
- 1095 Commission has its principal offices to enforce compliance
- 1096 with the provisions of the Compact and its promulgated
- 1097 Rules. The relief sought may include both injunctive relief
- 1098 and damages. In the event judicial enforcement is
- necessary, the prevailing party shall be awarded all costs
- 1100 of such litigation, including reasonable attorney's fees.
- 1101 The remedies herein shall not be the exclusive remedies of

- 1102 the Compact Commission. The Compact Commission may pursue
- 1103 any other remedies available under federal or the defaulting
- 1104 Member State's law.
- 1105 2. A Member State may initiate legal action against
- 1106 the Compact Commission in the U.S. District Court for the
- 1107 District of Columbia or the federal district where the
- 1108 Compact Commission has its principal offices to enforce
- 1109 compliance with the provisions of the Compact and its
- 1110 promulgated Rules. The relief sought may include both
- 1111 injunctive relief and damages. In the event judicial
- 1112 enforcement is necessary, the prevailing party shall be
- 1113 awarded all costs of such litigation, including reasonable
- attorney's fees.
- 3. No party other than a Member State shall enforce
- 1116 this Compact against the Compact Commission.
- 1117 SECTION 12. EFFECTIVE DATE, WITHDRAWAL, AND AMENDMENT
- 1118 A. The Compact shall come into effect on the date on
- 1119 which the Compact statute is enacted into law in the seventh
- 1120 Member State.
- 11. On or after the effective date of the Compact, the
- 1122 Compact Commission shall convene and review the enactment of
- 1123 each of the first seven Member States ("Charter Member
- 1124 States") to determine if the statute enacted by each such
- 1125 Charter Member State is materially different than the model
- 1126 Compact statute.
- 1127 a. A Charter Member State whose enactment is found to
- 1128 be materially different from the model Compact statute shall
- 1129 be entitled to the default process set forth in Section 11.
- 1130 b. If any Member State is later found to be in
- 1131 default, or is terminated, or withdraws from the Compact,
- 1132 the Compact Commission shall remain in existence and the
- 1133 Compact shall remain in effect even if the number of Member
- 1134 States should be less than seven.

1135	2. Member States enacting the Compact subsequent to
1136	the seven initial Charter Member States shall be subject to
1137	the process set forth in Section 8(C)(21) to determine if
1138	their enactments are materially different from the model
1139	Compact statute and whether they qualify for participation
1140	in the Compact.
1141	3. All actions taken for the benefit of the Compact
1142	Commission or in furtherance of the purposes of the
1143	administration of the Compact prior to the effective date of
1144	the Compact or the Compact Commission coming into existence
1145	shall be considered to be actions of the Compact Commission
1146	unless specifically repudiated by the Compact Commission.
1147	4. Any State that joins the Compact subsequent to the
1148	Compact Commission's initial adoption of the Rules and
1149	bylaws shall be subject to the Rules and bylaws as they
1150	exist on the date on which the Compact becomes law in that
1151	State. Any Rule that has been previously adopted by the
1152	Compact Commission shall have the full force and effect of
1153	law on the day the Compact becomes law in that State.
1154	B. Any Member State may withdraw from this Compact by
1155	enacting a statute repealing the same.
1156	1. A Member State's withdrawal shall not take effect
1157	until 180 days after enactment of the repealing statute.
1158	2. Withdrawal shall not affect the continuing
1159	requirement of the withdrawing State's Licensing Authority
1160	to comply with the investigative and Adverse Action
1161	reporting requirements of this Compact prior to the
1162	effective date of withdrawal.
1163	3. Upon the enactment of a statute withdrawing from
1164	this Compact, a State shall immediately provide notice of
1165	such withdrawal to all Licensees within that State.
1166	Notwithstanding any subsequent statutory enactment to the

contrary, such withdrawing State shall continue to recognize

1168 all Compact Privileges granted pursuant to this Compact for 1169 a minimum of 180 days after the date of such notice of withdrawal. 1170 1171 C. Nothing contained in this Compact shall be 1172 construed to invalidate or prevent any licensure agreement 1173 or other cooperative arrangement between a Member State and a non-Member State that does not conflict with the 1174 1175 provisions of this Compact. D. This Compact may be amended by the Member States. 1176 No amendment to this Compact shall become effective and 1177 binding upon any Member State until it is enacted into the 1178 1179 laws of all Member States. 1180 SECTION 13. CONSTRUCTION AND SEVERABILITY 1181 This Compact and the Compact Commission's 1182 rulemaking authority shall be liberally construed so as to 1183 effectuate the purposes and the implementation and 1184 administration of the Compact. Provisions of the Compact 1185 expressly authorizing or requiring the promulgation of Rules 1186 shall not be construed to limit the Compact Commission's 1187 rulemaking authority solely for those purposes. The provisions of this Compact shall be severable 1188 and if any phrase, clause, sentence, or provision of this 1189 Compact is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be 1190 1191 contrary to the constitution of any Member State, a State 1192 seeking participation in the Compact, or of the United 1193 States, or the applicability thereof to any government, agency, person, or circumstance is held to be 1194 unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the 1195 validity of the remainder of this Compact and the 1196 1197 applicability thereof to any other government, agency, person, or circumstance shall not be affected thereby. 1198 1199 C. Notwithstanding Section 13(B), the Compact

Commission may deny a State's participation in the Compact

1201	or, in accordance with the requirements of Section 11(B),
1202	terminate a Member State's participation in the Compact, if
1203	it determines that a constitutional requirement of a Member
1204	State is a material departure from the Compact. Otherwise,
1205	if this Compact shall be held to be contrary to the
1206	constitution of any Member State, the Compact shall remain
1207	in full force and effect as to the remaining Member States
1208	and in full force and effect as to the Member State affected
1209	as to all severable matters.
1210	SECTION 14. CONSISTENT EFFECT AND CONFLICT WITH OTHER
1211	STATE LAWS
1212	A. Nothing herein shall prevent or inhibit the
1213	enforcement of any other law of a Member State that is not
1214	inconsistent with the Compact.
1215	B. Any laws, statutes, regulations, or other legal
1216	requirements in a Member State in conflict with the Compact
1217	are superseded to the extent of the conflict.
1218	C. All permissible agreements between the Compact
1219	Commission and the Member States are binding in accordance

with their terms."; and

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Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.