

## OUT-OF-STATE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

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**Senate Bill 759 (S-1) as passed by the Senate**  
**Sponsor: Sen. Curtis S. VanderWall**  
**House Committee: Health Policy**  
**Senate Committee: Health Policy and Human Services**  
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### SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 759 would amend the Public Health Code to allow qualified individuals authorized to practice a health profession in another state to practice in Michigan during an epidemic, under certain circumstances.

Currently, the code exempts individuals in certain situations from the general licensing requirements under Article 15 (Occupations) of the code, including students training to be health professionals.

The bill would create an additional exemption if the director of the Department of Health and Services (DHHS) determines that control of an epidemic is necessary to protect the public health. In that case, health professionals who are authorized to practice in another state and who would otherwise meet the requirements of Article 15 for licensure could render medical care during an epidemic-related staffing shortage.

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

Senate Bill 759 would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA). By allowing individuals to practice under Article 15 of the Public Health Code without a license in the instances allowed under the bill, there may be reduced amounts of various licensure revenues collected. The magnitude of this reduction would depend on the number of individuals seeking to practice in Michigan under this bill's provisions and the duration of the epidemic-related staffing shortage, both of which are indeterminate.

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