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AN ACT ADOPTING THE NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT. AMENDMENT

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The amendment adds four new sections to the end of the underlying bill.

Section 501 requires nurses¹ applying for state licensure to submit to fingerprint-based state criminal history records checks, resulting in: (1) a potential cost to the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP), (2) a potential revenue gain to the General Fund,² and (3) a potential revenue gain to the Applicant Fingerprint Card Submission Account and various municipal police departments³ in FY 26 through Q2 of FY 28. The potential cost to DESPP will depend on the extent to which the volume of new applicants for state criminal history checks increases department workload. It is unknown how many employers already require applicants to submit to such checks as a condition of employment.

Sec. 502 allows a home state licensing board, upon request from a

¹Registered nurses or licensed practical nurses.

²DESPP conducts state criminal history records checks for a fee of \$75. The revenue that is collected from this fee is deposited into the General Fund.

³DESPP conducts fingerprinting for a fee of \$15 fee per person paid to the Applicant Fingerprint Card Submission Account. Municipal police departments may also conduct the required fingerprinting for state criminal history records checks and typically charge a fee of \$10 to \$15.

person with a multistate license, to convert a multistate license to a single-state license that is only valid in the home state, which is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact to the state or municipalities.

Sec. 503 directs that an additional \$2 from certain health care provider and other license renewal fees be deposited into the professional assistance program account that supports the Health Assistance InterVention Education Network (HAVEN), resulting in a revenue gain to HAVEN offset in equal amount by a General Fund revenue loss from diverted licensure fees.

Sec. 504 directs the Secretary of the Office of the Policy and Management (OPM), in consultation with DPH and a representative of the professional assistance program for regulated professions, to convene a working group and submit a report by 1/1/27, which is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact as OPM has the expertise necessary to complete this task.

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