

**SENATE . . . . . No. 864**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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An Act Relative to Technical Changes Pertaining to the Board of Registration in Medicine..

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
2 amended by striking out, in the first sentence of the eighth paragraph, the words, “United States  
3 Secretary of Health and Human Services,” and by inserting in place thereof the following  
4 words:- “Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.”

5 SECTION 2. Section 2 of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
6 amended by striking out the second sentence of the ninth paragraph, and by inserting in place  
7 thereof the following sentence:-

8 The certification of registration of any physician who does not file a completed renewal  
9 application together with the fee shall automatically expire on its renewal expiration date, but the  
10 certificate shall be revived upon completion of the lapsed license renewal process.

11 SECTION 3. Section 5 of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
12 amended by deleting the first sentence of subsection (e) of the sixth paragraph and inserting in  
13 place thereof:-

14           A description of revocation or involuntary restriction of privileges granted by any entity  
15 subject to the requirements of section 53B of chapter 111, for reasons related to competence or  
16 character, that have been taken by the governing body or any other official of the health care  
17 facility after procedural due process has been afforded, or the resignation from or nonrenewal of  
18 medical staff membership or the restriction of privileges taken in lieu of or in settlement of a  
19 pending disciplinary case related to competence or character.

20           SECTION 4. Section 152 of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
21 amended in subsection (c) of the first paragraph by striking the words: “or have a translator  
22 available to communicate with patients and physicians,”.

23           SECTION 5. Section 156 of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
24 amended by striking out the final sentence of the section, and by inserting in place thereof the  
25 following sentence:-

26           The license of any licensee who does not file a completed renewal application together  
27 with the fee shall automatically expire on its renewal expiration date, but the license shall be  
28 revived upon completion of the lapsed license renewal process.