

HOUSE No. 2402

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jon Santiago

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act to ensure timely physician licensure.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Jon Santiago</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/11/2021</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Carlos González</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Steven C. Owens</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>	<i>3/2/2021</i>

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By Mr. Santiago of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2402) of Jon Santiago and others for legislation to ensure timely physician licensure. Public Health.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act to ensure timely physician licensure.

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 appearing in the 2018

2 Official

3 Edition, is hereby amended in the first paragraph by inserting after the second sentence

4 the

5 following sentence:-

6 The board shall implement administrative procedures to ensure that applications for

7 registration,

8 including registration of qualified physicians who have been licensed or registered upon a

9 written examination in another state pursuant to paragraph 3 of this section, are reviewed

10 and

11 processed within 90 days from the date of submission.

12 SECTION 2. Said section 2 of chapter 112, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by

13 inserting after the sixth paragraph the following paragraph:-

14 If the board has not made a determination on a physician's application for renewal of the

15 certificate of registration within 90 days from the date of submission of a complete

16 renewal

17 application, the board shall issue a temporary registration to the physician so that the

18 physician

19 can complete the internal hospital credentialing and privileging process at the hospital at

20 which

21 the physician is employed or at the hospital at which the physician will be employed.