

**Joint Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure
2025-2026 (194th) Bill Summary**

BILL NUMBER: H317

TITLE: An Act relative to professional licensure

SPONSOR(S): Arciero, James

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PRIOR HISTORY

(2023-2024): H244 - Accompanied a study order, see H4680.

CURRENT LAW

Section 1 of Chapter 147 of the General Laws governs the duties of the commissioner of the division of occupational licensure, including the charge of the administration and enforcement of all relevant laws, rules, and regulations, the direction of all inspections and investigations, and the issuance of an annual report.

SUMMARY

This legislation seeks to remove the current statutory charge of the commissioner and puts in place an authority to eliminate or reduce requirements for licensure with approval from the majority of board members of that particular occupation.