

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6538

As of January 31, 2020

Title: An act relating to the collection of survey data pursuant to nurse licensure.

Brief Description: Prohibiting survey data in nursing licensure.

Sponsors: Senators Wilson, L., Becker, Braun, Takko and Warnick.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Health & Long Term Care: 2/03/20.

<p>Brief Summary of Bill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prohibits the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission from conditioning licensure or renewal on the submission of demographic data.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & LONG TERM CARE

Staff: Greg Attanasio (786-7410)

Background: Nurse Licensure. The Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission is responsible for licensure, license renewal, and discipline of registered nurses (RNs), licensed practical nurses (LPNs), and advanced registered nurse practitioners (ARNPs). To receive an RN, LPN, or ARNP license, an applicant must:

- successfully complete an approved nursing education program;
- successfully pass a licensure examination; and
- submit the required documentation.

The commission requires, in rule, that applicants for licensure and renewal complete all demographic data elements of the application and attest to the completion of those data elements.

Summary of Bill: The commission may not condition licensure or license renewal on the submission of demographic or other survey data not directly connected to the practice of nursing.

Appropriation: None.

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Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.