

ANALYSIS OF HOUSE BILL 1862

Allowing health care professionals to surrender their licenses to practice.

SPONSORS: Representatives Enway and Cody.

BACKGROUND: The Uniform Disciplinary Act governs the administrative and adjudicative procedures and sanctions for unprofessional conduct relating to the regulated health professions. The disciplinary authorities include the Secretary of Health as well as the health professions boards and commissions with regulatory authority.

Sanctions for unprofessional conduct include license revocation, suspension, restriction, medical education or treatment monitoring of a practice, censure, probation, fine, denial, corrective action and refund of fees.

Surrender of a license is not included as a sanction. However, it may result from a stipulated informal disposition of a case, after an investigation and statement of allegations, in such a settlement there are no findings with regard to the allegation and the matter is not reportable.

SUMMARY: The surrender of a practitioner's license or certification or registration constitutes a sanction for unprofessional conduct.

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