

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	SB 876
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Impact:	Non-appropriated agency; ten percent of revenues to General Revenue

Research Analysis

SB 876 authorizes the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision to hire a physician to serve as Medical Advisor to the Board in lieu of appointing the Board Secretary as the advisor. Provides that, in lieu of a meeting, members of an Advisory Committee to the board may review applications for licensure to determine the qualifications of an applicant and send their recommendations to the Board Secretary in writing.

Other provisions of the measure include:

- Directs the Board to adopt rules specifying the requirements for reregistration as an allopathic physician and establishes a fine up to \$1,000 for failure to meet the requirements;
- Requires the Board to set a meeting within 30 days of service of a citation in which the physician disputes allegations in the complaint;
- Authorizes the Board to promulgate rules to create administrative remedies for licensee violations of prescribed unprofessional conduct;
- Authorizes the Board Secretary to issue a nondisciplinary administrative fine of up to \$1,000 in cases of unintentional misrepresentation on a licensure application;
- Updates the circumstances constituting unprofessional conduct; and
- Provides that any licensee or applicant for licensure is deemed to have given consent to any Board investigator to inspect the records and facilities of the licensee.

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Fiscal Analysis

SB 876 authorizes the secretary or State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision to hire a physician as, or continue to allow the Board Secretary to serve as Medical Advisor. The Board is further directed by the measure to promulgate rules related to continuing education for licensees and provides for a non-disciplinary fine of up to \$1,000.00 for any failure to comply with continuing education requirements. The measure also provides for a maximum \$1,000.00 fine for unintentional misrepresentation of information on an application.

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Other Considerations

None.

