Amendment No. 597

Senate Ame	(BDR 54-610)								
Proposed by: Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor									
Amends: Summary: Yes Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes									
Adoption of this amendment will ADD an appropriation where one does not currently exist in S.B. 289.									
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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of <u>green bold underlining</u> is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) <u>red strikethrough</u> is deleted language in the original bill; (4) <u>purple double strikethrough</u> is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) <u>orange double underlining</u> is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.

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Date: 4/21/2019

S.B. No. 289—Revises provisions relating to the licensing of physicians. (BDR 54-610)

March 18, 2019

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SENATE BILL NO. 289-SENATOR HARDY

SUMMARY—<u>[Revises provisions relating to the licensing of physicians.]</u> <u>Makes</u>
<u>an appropriation for health services in underserved areas.</u>
(BDR [54-610)] S-610)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets formitted material; is material to be omitted.

AN ACT [relating to professions; establishing procedures for issuing a license by endorsement to practice medicine to certain persons; revising procedures for verifying certificates and licenses under certain circumstances; removing prior disciplinary actions and malpractice claims as disqualifying occurrences for certain license applicants; prohibiting the Board of Medical Examiners from imposing additional licensing requirements on an applicant; revising the grounds for denying a license; requiring an annual report to the Legislature on the Board's licensing activities;] making an appropriation [+] to obtain matching funds for the purpose of encouraging certain medical practitioners to practice in underserved areas; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

[Existing law requires a person to be licensed by the Board of Medical Examiners before practicing medicine in this State. (NRS 630.160) Section 1 of this bill authorizes certain qualified physicians to obtain an expedited license by endorsement to practice in this State if the physician: (1) holds a valid and unrestricted license to practice in the District of Columbia or another state or territory of the United States; (2) is an active member or veteran of, the spouse of an active member or veteran of, or the surviving spouse of a veteran of, the Armed Forces of the United States; and (3) meets certain other requirements. Section 2 of this bill permits an applicant to submit copies of certificates and licenses together with an affidavit explaining why the original documents are not available.

Section 3 of this bill removes prior disciplinary actions and malpraetice claims as prohibitions to receiving a license by endorsement, provided that the applicant is certified in a recognized specialty and licensed in another jurisdiction. Section 3 also prohibits the Board from imposing additional licensure requirements on applicants for a license by endorsement. Additionally, section 3 prohibits the Board from denying a license by endorsement because the physician practices a specialty for which he or she does not see patients.

— Section 4 of this bill requires that, on or before January 31 of each year, the Executive Director of the Board shall submit a report to the Legislature on certain licensing activity by the Board during the immediately preceding year. Section 5 of this bill limits the fee charged

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19 to an applicant for licensure by endorsement under section 1 to one half of the fee for the 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 initial issuance of a license.

Section 6 of this bill makes an appropriation to the Office of Finance for allocation to the Nevada Health Service Corps to obtain matching federal funds.] Under existing law, the Nevada Health Service Corps may be established by the University of Nevada School of Medicine to encourage certain medical and dental practitioners to practice in underserved areas of this State. (NRS 396.900) Section 1 of this bill makes an appropriation to the Nevada Health Service Corps for the purpose of obtaining matching federal funds.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA. REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY. DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Delete existing sections 1 through 8 of this bill and replace with the following new sections 1 and 2:

Section 1. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Office of Finance for allocation to the Nevada Health Service Corps, established pursuant to NRS 396.900, for the purpose of obtaining matching federal funds the following sums:

For the Fiscal Year 2019-2<u>020\$250,000</u> For the Fiscal Year 2020-2021\$250,000

Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1 remaining at the end of the respective fiscal years must not be committed for expenditure after June 30 of the respective fiscal years by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after September 18, 2020, and September 17, 2021, respectively, by either the entity to which the money was appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before September 18, 2020, and September 17, 2021. respectively.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2019.