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To the Honorable Members of the Illinois General Assembly:

In compliance with the requirements set forth in the Illinois Regulatory Sunset Act (5 ILCS 80), my office has conducted a review of the Illinois Medical Practice Act of 1987 (225 ILCS 60), which is scheduled to sunset on January 1, 2020. As a result of this review, it is recommended to the General Assembly that:

The Illinois Medical Practice Act of 1987 (225 ILCS 60) should be continued with the following modifications to its existing statutory and administrative rule framework.

- Allow applicants to apply for “Licensure by Endorsement” without providing education or test information to the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR), if: (1) the applicant has been licensed for 10 consecutive years in another state, (2) the other state sends verification of consecutive licensure of the applicant, and (3) the applicant has never been disciplined.
- Add a definition of “Email address of record,” standardizing IDFPR’s initiative to become more efficient and paperless.

Physicians and Surgeons are responsible for safely providing healthcare services to the people of Illinois. It is vital to the health, safety and welfare of Illinois citizens that the public be protected from unauthorized, unqualified or unprofessional Physicians and Surgeons through medical licensure. The absence of this Act would mean that physicians would not be required to meet educational and professional competencies. There is currently not sufficient evidence to suggest the burdens imposed by regulation outweigh the benefits to the health, safety and welfare of the people of Illinois in continuing the regulation of this profession.

The full report provided by the Governor’s Office of Management and Budget is provided as reference.

Very Sincerely and Respectfully,

JB Pritzker
Governor