

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 604**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 31 and delete page
2 2 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, ‘credentialing**
4 **organization’ means a hospital or other health care facility, physician**
5 **organization, coordinated care organization, business organization or**
6 **insurer that credentials persons licensed under this chapter.**

7 **“(2) The Oregon Medical Board shall establish a database for the**
8 **purpose of providing to a credentialing organization access to infor-**
9 **mation that is necessary to credential a person licensed to practice**
10 **medicine, podiatry or acupuncture or to be a physician assistant in**
11 **this state.**

12 **“(3) Each person applying for a license to practice medicine,**
13 **podiatry or acupuncture or to be a physician assistant in this state**
14 **shall submit to the board information that the board determines is**
15 **necessary to credential the person under recognized state and national**
16 **credentialing standards. For purposes of administrating this sub-**
17 **section, the board shall, subject to subsection (5) of this section, pre-**
18 **scribe the form and manner of submitting information under this**
19 **subsection.**

20 **“(4) Each licensee applying to renew a license to practice medicine,**
21 **podiatry or acupuncture or to be a physician assistant in this state**
22 **shall submit to the board, personally or through a designee, informa-**

1 tion that the board determines is necessary to recredential the licensee
2 under recognized state and national credentialing standards. For pur-
3 poses of administrating this subsection, the board shall, subject to
4 subsection (5) of this section, prescribe the form and manner of sub-
5 mitting information under this subsection.

6 “(5) For purposes of implementing the provisions of this section, the
7 board shall:

8 “(a) At least once per year, convene an advisory group comprising
9 representatives of credentialing organizations and licensees of the
10 board to:

11 “(A) Review and advise the board on the implementation of the
12 provisions of this section; and

13 “(B) Review and advise the board on the standard credentialing
14 application used in this state.

15 “(b) Use the most current standard credentialing application avail-
16 able in this state.

17 “(6) At least once every 90 days, a licensee shall attest that all in-
18 formation related to the credentialing of the licensee is current as
19 required by recognized state and national credentialing standards.

20 “(7) At any time, a licensee may submit to the board, personally
21 or through a designee, information for the purpose of updating infor-
22 mation related to the credentialing of the licensee. The board shall
23 prescribe the form and manner of submitting information under this
24 subsection.

25 “(8) The board shall keep and maintain all information submitted
26 under subsections (3) to (7) of this section in a database of creden-
27 tialing information. At any time, a licensee may access the database
28 for the purpose of examining credentialing information submitted by
29 the licensee. Information kept and maintained by the board under this
30 section is exempt from public disclosure under ORS 192.410 to 192.505.

1 **“(9) The board shall verify the accuracy of all information submit-**
2 **ted to the board by an applicant or licensee under this section. The**
3 **board shall verify a credential submitted to the board with the origi-**
4 **nating source of the credential.**

5 **“(10)(a) A credentialing organization authorized by a licensee shall**
6 **obtain from the board, for verification purposes, the credentialing in-**
7 **formation of the licensee that is kept and maintained in the database**
8 **and may use that credentialing information for the following:**

9 **“(A) Granting or denying the application of a licensee to be affil-**
10 **iated with or to participate within the organization or the**
11 **organization’s network;**

12 **“(B) Determining the competency or qualifications of the licensee;**

13 **“(C) Determining the quality of service provided by the licensee; or**

14 **“(D) Determining whether to renew the licensee’s affiliation with**
15 **or participation within the organization or the organization’s network.**

16 **“(b) A credentialing organization may not request credentialing in-**
17 **formation from a licensee that is available to the credentialing or-**
18 **ganization under this section.**

19 **“(11) A credentialing organization that, in good faith, uses creden-**
20 **tialing information provided by the board under subsection (10) of this**
21 **section for the purposes described in subsection (10) of this section is**
22 **immune from civil liability that might otherwise be incurred or im-**
23 **posed with respect to the use of that credentialing information.**

24 **“(12) The board may adopt by rule fees for:**

25 **“(a) Processing information submitted by an applicant or a licensee**
26 **under this section. Fees adopted under this paragraph may be imposed**
27 **only on an applicant or licensee submitting information to the board**
28 **under this section and may not exceed the actual cost to the board of**
29 **processing the information submitted by the applicant or licensee.**

30 **“(b) Providing credentialing information to a credentialing organ-**

1 **ization under subsection (10) of this section. Fees adopted under this**
2 **paragraph may be imposed only on a credentialing organization to**
3 **which information is provided under subsection (10) of this section and**
4 **may not exceed the actual cost to the board of providing credentialing**
5 **information to the credentialing organization.**

6 **“(13) The board shall adopt rules for the administration of this**
7 **section. To the greatest extent practicable, rules adopted under this**
8 **subsection shall provide for the use of the most accessible and current**
9 **technology available in providing credentialing information to a cre-**
10 **credentialing organization under subsection (10) of this section.**

11 **“SECTION 3. (1) Sections 1 and 2 of this 2013 Act become operative**
12 **on July 1, 2016.**

13 **(2) The Oregon Medical Board may take any action necessary before**
14 **the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section necessary**
15 **to enable the board to exercise, on and after the operative date speci-**
16 **fied in subsection (1) of this section, all the duties, functions and**
17 **powers conferred on the board by section 2 of this 2013 Act.”.**

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