

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2016 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Health Policy

HB 1063 — Public Records and Meetings/Nurse Licensure Compact

by Rep. Pigman and others (CS/SB 1306 by Health Policy Committee and Senator Grimsley)

The bill creates an exemption from the public record requirements for a nurse's personal identifying information, other than the nurse's name, licensure status, or licensure number, obtained from the coordinated licensure information system under the Nurse Licensure Compact, as defined in s. 464.0095, F.S., and held by the Department of Health or the Board of Nursing.

The bill also creates an exemption from the public meeting requirements for a meeting, or a portion of the meeting, of the Interstate Commission of Nurse Licensure Compact Administrators established under the compact. The exemption applies when matters are discussed that are specifically exempted from disclosure by state or federal law. The recordings, minutes, and records generated from those meetings, or portions thereof, are also exempt from s. 119.071(1), F.S., and s. 24(a), Art. I of the Florida Constitution.

The bill provides for the repeal of the exemption on October 2, 2021, unless reviewed and reenacted by the Legislature. It also provides statements of public necessity for the public records and public meetings exemptions as required by the Florida Constitution.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect on the same date that HB 1061 or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in this legislative session and becomes law.

Vote: Senate 38-0; House 112-2