
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to part III to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§329- Prescriptions; gender-affirming health care
5 services. (a) Notwithstanding this chapter or any other law to
6 the contrary, for the purposes of providing gender-affirming
7 health care services, a practitioner who is licensed in this
8 State may prescribe schedule III and IV controlled substances,
9 including testosterone:

10 (1) While the practitioner is located outside the State;
11 and

12 (2) Without conducting an in-person consultation with the
13 patient; provided that the practitioner shall
14 prescribe the controlled substances via a synchronous
15 audio-visual telehealth interaction.



1 (1) Medically necessary health care that respects the
2 gender identity of the patient, as experienced and
3 defined by the patient, and may include the following:

4 (A) Interventions to suppress the development of
5 endogenous secondary sex characteristics;

6 (B) Interventions to align the patient's appearance
7 or physical body with the patient's gender
8 identity; or

9 (C) Interventions to alleviate symptoms of clinically
10 significant distress resulting from gender
11 dysphoria, as defined in the Diagnostic and
12 Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders; or

13 (2) Mental health care or behavioral health care that
14 respects the gender identity of the patient, as
15 experienced and defined by the patient, and may
16 include developmentally appropriate exploration and
17 integration of identity, reduction of distress,
18 adaptive coping, or strategies to increase family
19 acceptance.

20 "Person" includes an individual, partnership, joint
21 venture, corporation, association, business, trust, or any



1 organized group of persons or legal entity, or any combination
2 thereof.

3 "Reproductive health care services" includes all medical,
4 surgical, pharmaceutical, counseling, or referral services
5 relating to the human reproductive system, including but not
6 limited to services relating to pregnancy, contraception, or the
7 termination of a pregnancy.

8 § -2 **Disclosures prohibited.** (a) Except as provided in
9 rules 504, 504.1, and 505.5 of the Hawaii rules of evidence and
10 subsection (b), or as authorized under the Health Insurance
11 Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. 104-191, as
12 amended, and any federal regulations promulgated thereunder, in
13 any civil action or any proceeding preliminary thereto or in any
14 probate, legislative, or administrative proceeding, no covered
15 entity[~~, as defined in title 45 Code of Federal Regulations~~
16 ~~section 160.103, or as the same as may be from time to time~~
17 ~~amended or modified,~~] shall disclose:

18 (1) Any communication made to the covered entity, or any
19 information obtained by the covered entity, from a
20 patient or the conservator, guardian, or other
21 authorized legal representative of a patient relating



1 to reproductive health care services or
2 gender-affirming health care services that are
3 [~~permitted~~] lawful under the laws of [~~the~~] this State;
4 or

5 (2) Any information obtained by personal examination of a
6 patient relating to reproductive health care services
7 or gender-affirming health care services that are
8 [~~permitted~~] lawful under the laws of [~~the~~] this State,
9 unless the patient or that patient's conservator, guardian, or
10 other authorized legal representative explicitly consents to the
11 disclosure in writing in the form of a release of protected
12 health information compliant with the federal Health Insurance
13 Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. 104-191, as
14 amended, and any federal regulations promulgated thereunder. A
15 covered entity shall inform the patient or the patient's
16 conservator, guardian, or other authorized legal representative
17 of the patient's right to withhold the written consent.

18 (b) Written consent of the patient or the patient's
19 conservator, guardian, or other authorized legal representative
20 shall not be required for the disclosure of the communication or
21 information[+] described under subsection (a):



- 1 (1) If the [~~records relate~~] communication or information
2 relates to a patient who is a plaintiff in a complaint
3 pending before a court of competent jurisdiction
4 alleging health care negligence and a request for
5 [~~records~~] the communication or information has been
6 served on a named defendant in that litigation;
- 7 (2) If the [~~records are~~] communication or information is
8 requested by a licensing authority, as defined in
9 section 436B-2, and the request is made in connection
10 with an investigation of a complaint to the licensing
11 authority and the [~~records are~~] communication or
12 information is related to the complaint, unless the
13 complaint is made solely on the basis that the
14 licensee, acting within the licensee's scope of
15 practice, provided reproductive health care services
16 or gender-affirming health care services that are
17 lawful [~~in~~] under the laws of this State;
- 18 (3) To the director of health [~~for records of a patient of~~
19 ~~a covered entity in connection with an investigation~~
20 ~~of a complaint,~~] if the [~~records are~~] communication or



1 information is related to the investigation of a
2 complaint; or

3 (4) If child abuse, abuse of an individual who is sixty
4 years of age or older, abuse of an individual who is
5 physically disabled or incompetent, or abuse of an
6 individual with an intellectual disability is known or
7 in good faith suspected[-]; provided that reproductive
8 health care services or gender-affirming health care
9 services that are lawful under the laws of this State
10 shall not alone constitute abuse.

11 (c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to impede
12 the lawful sharing of medical records as permitted by state or
13 federal law or the rules of the court, except in the case of a
14 subpoena or warrant issued by a court, government agency, or
15 legislative body of another state commanding the production,
16 copying, or inspection of medical records relating to
17 reproductive health care services[-] or gender-affirming health
18 care services that are lawful under the laws of this State.

19 (d) As used in this section, "covered entity" shall have
20 the same meaning as that term is defined in title 45 Code of



1 Federal Regulations section 160.103, or as the same as may be
2 from time to time amended or modified.

3 **§ -3 Subpoenas; when allowed.** Notwithstanding sections
4 624-27 and 624D-3 or any other law to the contrary, no court or
5 clerk of a court shall order the issuance of a subpoena
6 requested by an officer, appointed according to the laws or
7 usages of another state or government, or by any court of the
8 United States or of another state or government, in connection
9 with an out-of-state or interstate investigation or proceeding
10 relating to reproductive health care services [~~legally performed~~
11 ~~in the~~] or gender-affirming health care services that are lawful
12 under the laws of this State.

13 **§ -4 Agencies prohibited from providing information or**
14 **expending resources.** (a) No agency, as defined in section
15 92F-3, or employee, appointee, officer, official, or any other
16 person acting on behalf of an agency shall provide any
17 information or expend or use time, money, facilities, property,
18 equipment, personnel, or other resources in furtherance of any
19 out-of-state or interstate investigation or proceeding seeking
20 to impose civil or criminal liability upon a person or entity
21 for:



- 1 (1) ~~[The provision, seeking,]~~ Seeking, receiving, paying
2 for, ~~[receipt of,]~~ or inquiring about reproductive
3 health care services ~~[that are legal in the]~~ or
4 gender-affirming health care services that are lawful
5 under the laws of this State; [or]
- 6 (2) Providing or responding to an inquiry about
7 reproductive health care services or gender-affirming
8 health care services that are lawful under the laws of
9 this State;
- 10 ~~[(2)]~~ (3) ~~Assisting [any person or entity providing,~~
11 ~~seeking, receiving, paying for, or responding to an~~
12 ~~inquiry about reproductive health care services that~~
13 ~~are legal in the State.]~~ or aiding or abetting in any
14 of the conduct described in paragraph (1) or (2); or
- 15 (4) Attempting or intending to engage in or providing
16 material support for (or any other theory of
17 vicarious, attempt, joint, several, or conspiracy
18 liability derived therefrom) conduct described in
19 paragraphs (1) to (3).
- 20 (b) This section shall not apply to any investigation or
21 proceeding where the conduct subject to potential liability



1 under the investigation or proceeding would be subject to
2 liability under the laws of this State if committed in this
3 State.

4 **§ -5 Prohibition on state action.** The State shall not
5 penalize, prosecute, or otherwise take adverse action against an
6 individual based on the individual's actual, potential,
7 perceived, or alleged pregnancy or gender-affirming health care
8 outcomes. The State shall not penalize, prosecute, or otherwise
9 take adverse action against a person for aiding or assisting
10 [a]:

11 (1) A pregnant individual accessing reproductive health
12 care services [in accordance with] that are lawful
13 under the laws of [the] this State and with the
14 pregnant individual's voluntary consent[-]; or

15 (2) An individual accessing gender-affirming health care
16 services that are lawful under the laws of this State
17 and with the individual's voluntary consent.

18 **§ -6 Denial of demands for surrender.** Notwithstanding
19 any provision of chapter 832 to the contrary, the governor shall
20 deny any demand made by the executive authority of any state for
21 the surrender of any person charged with a crime under the laws



1 of that state when the alleged crime involves [~~the provision or~~
2 ~~receipt of,~~]:

3 (1) Seeking, receiving, paying for, or [~~assistance with,~~
4 inquiring about reproductive health care services[~~7~~]
5 or gender-affirming health care services;

6 (2) Providing or responding to an inquiry about
7 reproductive health care services or gender-affirming
8 health care services;

9 (3) Assisting or aiding or abetting in any of the conduct
10 described in paragraph (1) or (2); or

11 (4) Attempting or intending to engage in or providing
12 material support for (or any other theory of
13 vicarious, attempt, joint, several, or conspiracy
14 liability derived therefrom) conduct described in
15 paragraphs (1) to (3),

16 unless the acts forming the basis of the prosecution would also
17 constitute a criminal offense in this State. This section shall
18 not apply to demands made under Article IV, section 2, of the
19 United States Constitution.

20 **§ -7 Laws contrary to the public policy of this State.**

21 (a) A law of another state authorizing a civil action or



1 criminal prosecution based on any of the following ~~[is]~~ shall be
2 declared to be contrary to the public policy of this State:

3 (1) ~~[Receiving, seeking, or]~~ Seeking, receiving, paying
4 for, or inquiring about reproductive health care
5 services~~[+]~~ or gender-affirming health care services
6 that are lawful under the laws of this State;

7 (2) Providing or responding to an inquiry about
8 reproductive health care services~~[+]~~ or
9 gender-affirming health care services that are lawful
10 under the laws of this State;

11 (3) ~~[Engaging in conduct that assists or aids or abets the~~
12 ~~provision or receipt of reproductive health care~~
13 ~~services~~[+]~~]~~ Assisting or aiding or abetting in any of
14 the conduct described in paragraph (1) or (2); or

15 (4) Attempting or intending to engage in or providing
16 material support for (or any other theory of
17 vicarious, attempt, joint, several, or conspiracy
18 liability derived therefrom) conduct described in
19 paragraphs (1) to (3) ~~[+]~~

20 ~~in accordance with the laws of this State].~~



1 (b) No law described in subsection (a) shall be applied to
2 a case or controversy heard in the courts of this State."

3 SECTION 4. Section 451J-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

5 "(a) The department shall deny, revoke, condition, or
6 suspend a license granted pursuant to this chapter on the
7 following grounds:

- 8 (1) Conviction by a court of competent jurisdiction of a
9 crime [~~which~~] that the department has determined, by
10 rules adopted pursuant to chapter 91, to be of a
11 nature that renders the person convicted unfit to
12 practice marriage and family therapy[+], except when
13 the conviction was based on the provision or
14 assistance in receipt or provision of gender-affirming
15 health care services, as defined under section -1,
16 so long as the provision or assistance in receipt or
17 provision of the services was in accordance with the
18 laws of this State or would have been in accordance
19 with the laws of this State if it occurred within this
20 State;



- 1 (2) Failing to report in writing to the director any
2 disciplinary decision related to the provision of
3 mental health services issued against the licensee or
4 the applicant in any jurisdiction within thirty days
5 of the disciplinary decision, or within thirty days of
6 licensure;
- 7 (3) Violation of recognized ethical standards for marriage
8 and family therapists or licensed marriage and family
9 therapists as set by the association;
- 10 (4) Fraud or misrepresentation in obtaining or renewing a
11 license, including making a false certification of
12 compliance with the continuing education requirement
13 set forth in section 451J-10;
- 14 (5) Revocation, suspension, or other disciplinary action
15 by any state or federal agency against a licensee or
16 applicant for any reason provided under this
17 section[+], except when the revocation, suspension, or
18 other disciplinary action was based on the provision
19 or assistance in receipt or provision of
20 gender-affirming health care services, as defined
21 under section -1, so long as the provision or



1 assistance in receipt or provision of the services was
2 in accordance with the laws of this State or would
3 have been in accordance with the laws of this State if
4 it occurred within this State; or

5 (6) Other just and sufficient cause that renders a person
6 unfit to practice marriage and family therapy."

7 SECTION 5. Section 451J-12, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8 amended to read as follows:

9 "~~§~~451J-12~~§~~ **Confidentiality and privileged**

10 **communications.** No person licensed as a marriage and family
11 therapist, nor any of the person's employees or associates,
12 shall be required to disclose any information that the person
13 may have acquired in rendering marriage and family therapy
14 services, except in the following circumstances:

- 15 (1) As required by law;
- 16 (2) To prevent a clear and immediate danger to a person or
17 persons;
- 18 (3) In the course of a civil, criminal, or disciplinary
19 action arising from the therapy where the therapist is
20 a defendant~~§~~, except when the civil, criminal, or
21 disciplinary action by another state or federal agency



1 is based on the provision or assistance in receipt or
 2 provision of gender-affirming health care services, as
 3 defined under section -1, so long as the provision
 4 or assistance in receipt or provision of the services
 5 was in accordance with the laws of this State or would
 6 have been in accordance with the laws of this State if
 7 it occurred within this State;

8 (4) In a criminal proceeding where the client is a
 9 defendant and the use of the privilege would violate
 10 the defendant's right to a compulsory process of the
 11 right to present testimony and witnesses in the
 12 defendant's own behalf;

13 (5) In accordance with the terms of a client's previously
 14 written waiver of the privilege; or

15 (6) Where more than one person in a family jointly
 16 receives therapy and each [~~family member~~] person who
 17 is legally competent executes a written waiver[~~+~~ in].
 18 In that instance, a therapist may disclose information
 19 received from any [~~family member~~] person in accordance
 20 with the terms of [~~the~~] that person's waiver."



1 SECTION 6. Section 453-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsections (a), (b), and (c) to read as
3 follows:

4 "(a) In addition to any other actions authorized by law,
5 any license to practice medicine and surgery may be revoked,
6 limited, or suspended by the board at any time in a proceeding
7 before the board, or may be denied, for any cause authorized by
8 law, including but not limited to the following:

9 (1) Procuring, or aiding or abetting in procuring, an
10 abortion that is unlawful under the laws of this State
11 or that would be unlawful under the laws of this State
12 if performed within this State;

13 (2) Employing any person to solicit patients for one's
14 self;

15 (3) Engaging in false, fraudulent, or deceptive
16 advertising, including but not limited to:

17 (A) Making excessive claims of expertise in one or
18 more medical specialty fields;

19 (B) Assuring a permanent cure for an incurable
20 disease; or



- 1 (C) Making any untruthful and improbable statement in
2 advertising one's medical or surgical practice or
3 business;
- 4 (4) Being habituated to the excessive use of drugs or
5 alcohol; or being addicted to, dependent on, or a
6 habitual user of a narcotic, barbiturate, amphetamine,
7 hallucinogen, or other drug having similar effects;
- 8 (5) Practicing medicine while the ability to practice is
9 impaired by alcohol, drugs, physical disability, or
10 mental instability;
- 11 (6) Procuring a license through fraud, misrepresentation,
12 or deceit, or knowingly permitting an unlicensed
13 person to perform activities requiring a license;
- 14 (7) Professional misconduct, hazardous negligence causing
15 bodily injury to another, or manifest incapacity in
16 the practice of medicine or surgery;
- 17 (8) Incompetence or multiple instances of negligence,
18 including but not limited to the consistent use of
19 medical service, [~~which~~] that is inappropriate or
20 unnecessary;



- 1 (9) Conduct or practice contrary to recognized standards
2 of ethics of the medical profession as adopted by the
3 Hawaii Medical Association, the American Medical
4 Association, the Hawaii Association of Osteopathic
5 Physicians and Surgeons, or the American Osteopathic
6 Association;
- 7 (10) Violation of the conditions or limitations upon which
8 a limited or temporary license is issued;
- 9 (11) Revocation, suspension, or other disciplinary action
10 by another state or federal agency of a license,
11 certificate, or medical privilege, except when the
12 revocation, suspension, or other disciplinary action
13 was based on the provision or assistance in receipt or
14 provision of [~~medical~~]:
- 15 (A) Medical, surgical, pharmaceutical, counseling, or
16 referral services relating to the human
17 reproductive system, including but not limited to
18 services relating to pregnancy, contraception, or
19 the termination of a pregnancy[~~7~~]; or
- 20 (B) Gender-affirming health care services, as defined
21 under section -1,



1 so long as the provision or assistance in receipt or
2 provision of the services was in accordance with the
3 laws of this State or would have been in accordance
4 with the laws of this State if it occurred within this
5 State;

6 (12) Conviction, whether by nolo contendere or otherwise,
7 of a penal offense substantially related to the
8 qualifications, functions, or duties of a physician or
9 osteopathic physician, notwithstanding any statutory
10 provision to the contrary, except when the conviction
11 was based on the provision or assistance in receipt or
12 provision of [~~medical~~]:

13 (A) Medical, surgical, pharmaceutical, counseling, or
14 referral services relating to the human
15 reproductive system, including but not limited to
16 services relating to pregnancy, contraception, or
17 the termination of a pregnancy[~~]; or~~

18 (B) Gender-affirming health care services, as defined
19 under section -1,

20 so long as the provision or assistance in receipt or
21 provision of the services was in accordance with the



1 laws of this State or would have been in accordance
2 with the laws of this State if it occurred within this
3 State;

4 (13) Violation of chapter 329, the uniform controlled
5 substances act, or any rule adopted thereunder except
6 as provided in section 329-122;

7 (14) Failure to report to the board, in writing, any
8 disciplinary decision issued against the licensee or
9 the applicant in another jurisdiction within thirty
10 days after the disciplinary decision is issued; or

11 (15) Submitting to or filing with the board any notice,
12 statement, or other document required under this
13 chapter[~~, which~~] that is false or untrue or contains
14 any material misstatement or omission of fact.

15 (b) If disciplinary action related to the practice of
16 medicine has been taken against the applicant by another state
17 or federal agency, or if the applicant reveals a physical or
18 mental condition that would constitute a violation under this
19 section, then the board may impose one or more of the following
20 requirements as a condition for licensure:



- 1 (1) Physical and mental evaluation of the applicant by a
2 licensed physician or osteopathic physician approved
3 by the board;
- 4 (2) Probation, including conditions of probation such as
5 requiring observation of the licensee by an
6 appropriate group or society of licensed physicians,
7 osteopathic physicians, or surgeons;
- 8 (3) Limitation of the license by restricting the fields of
9 practice in which the licensee may engage;
- 10 (4) Further education or training or proof of performance
11 competency; and
- 12 (5) Limitation of the medical practice of the licensee in
13 any reasonable manner to assure the safety and welfare
14 of the consuming public;
- 15 provided that the board shall not impose as a condition for
16 licensure any of the requirements pursuant to this subsection if
17 the disciplinary action related to the practice of medicine
18 taken against the applicant was based on the provision or
19 assistance in receipt or provision of medical, surgical,
20 pharmaceutical, counseling, or referral services relating to the
21 human reproductive system, including but not limited to services



1 relating to pregnancy, contraception, or the termination of a
2 pregnancy, or the provision or assistance in receipt or
3 provision of gender-affirming health care services, as defined
4 under section -1, so long as the provision or assistance in
5 receipt or provision of the services was in accordance with the
6 laws of this State or would have been in accordance with the
7 laws of this State if it occurred within this State.

8 (c) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the
9 board may deny a license to any applicant who has been
10 disciplined by another state or federal agency, except on the
11 basis of discipline for the provision or assistance in receipt
12 or provision of medical, surgical, pharmaceutical, counseling,
13 or referral services relating to the human reproductive system,
14 including but not limited to services relating to pregnancy,
15 contraception, or the termination of a pregnancy, or the
16 provision or assistance in receipt or provision of
17 gender-affirming health care services, as defined under
18 section -1, so long as the provision or assistance in receipt
19 or provision of the services was in accordance with the laws of
20 this State or would have been in accordance with the laws of
21 this State if it occurred within this State. Any final order of



1 discipline taken pursuant to this subsection shall be a matter
2 of public record."

3 SECTION 7. Section 453-8.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended as follows:

5 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:

6 "(a) Upon receipt of evidence of revocation, suspension,
7 or other disciplinary action against a licensee by another state
8 or federal agency, the board may issue an order imposing
9 disciplinary action upon the licensee on the following
10 conditions:

11 (1) The board shall serve the licensee with a proposed
12 order imposing disciplinary action as required by
13 chapter 91;

14 (2) The licensee shall have the right to request a hearing
15 pursuant to chapter 91 to show cause why the action
16 described in the proposed order should not be imposed;

17 (3) Any request for a hearing shall be made in writing and
18 filed with the board within twenty days after mailing
19 of the proposed order to the licensee; and

20 (4) If the licensee does not submit a written request for
21 a hearing within twenty days after mailing of the



1 proposed order, the board may issue a final order
2 imposing the disciplinary action described in the
3 proposed order;
4 provided that the board shall not issue an order imposing
5 disciplinary action upon the licensee if the revocation,
6 suspension, or other disciplinary action against a licensee by
7 another state was based on the provision or assistance in
8 receipt or provision of medical, surgical, pharmaceutical,
9 counseling, or referral services relating to the human
10 reproductive system, including but not limited to services
11 relating to pregnancy, contraception, or the termination of a
12 pregnancy, or the provision or assistance in receipt or
13 provision of gender-affirming health care services, as defined
14 under section ____-1, so long as the provision or assistance in
15 receipt or provision of the services was in accordance with the
16 laws of this State or would have been in accordance with the
17 laws of this State if it occurred within this State."

18 2. By amending subsection (c) to read:

19 "(c) A licensee against whom the board has issued a
20 proposed order under this section shall be prohibited from



1 practicing in this State until the board issues a final order
2 if:

3 (1) The licensee was the subject of disciplinary action by
4 another state, except where the disciplinary action
5 against the licensee by another state was based on the
6 provision or assistance in receipt or provision of
7 [medical]:

8 (A) Medical, surgical, pharmaceutical, counseling, or
9 referral services relating to the human
10 reproductive system, including but not limited to
11 services relating to pregnancy, contraception, or
12 the termination of a pregnancy~~[r]~~; or

13 (B) Gender-affirming health care services, as defined
14 under section -1,

15 so long as the provision or assistance in receipt or
16 provision of the services was in accordance with the
17 laws of this State or would have been in accordance
18 with the laws of this State if it occurred within this
19 State; and

20 (2) The disciplinary action by another state prohibits the
21 licensee from practicing in that state."



1 SECTION 8. Section 453D-12, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

3 "(a) In addition to any other acts or conditions provided
4 by law, the director may refuse to renew, reinstate, or restore,
5 and may deny, revoke, suspend, or condition in any manner, any
6 license for any one or more of the following acts or conditions
7 on the part of a licensee or license applicant:

8 (1) Failing to meet or maintain the conditions and
9 requirements necessary to qualify for the granting of
10 a license;

11 (2) Engaging in false, fraudulent, or deceptive
12 advertising, or making untruthful or improbable
13 statements;

14 (3) Being addicted to, dependent on, or a habitual user of
15 a narcotic, barbiturate, amphetamine, hallucinogen,
16 opium, cocaine, or other drugs or derivatives of a
17 similar nature;

18 (4) Practicing the licensed profession while impaired by
19 alcohol, drugs, physical disability, or mental
20 instability;



- 1 (5) Procuring a license through fraud, misrepresentation,
2 or deceit;
- 3 (6) Aiding and abetting an unlicensed person to directly
4 or indirectly perform activities requiring a license;
- 5 (7) Professional misconduct, incompetence, gross
6 negligence, or manifest incapacity, in the practice of
7 the licensed profession;
- 8 (8) Engaging in conduct or practice contrary to recognized
9 standards of ethics for the licensed profession;
- 10 (9) Violating any condition or limitation upon which a
11 conditional or temporary license was issued;
- 12 (10) Engaging in business under a past or present license
13 issued pursuant to the licensing laws, in a manner
14 causing injury to one or more members of the public;
- 15 (11) Failing to comply with, observe, or adhere to any law
16 in a manner [~~such~~] that the director deems the
17 applicant or holder to be an unfit or improper person
18 to hold a license;
- 19 (12) Having had a license revoked or suspended, or having
20 been the subject of other disciplinary action, by
21 another state or a federal agency for any reason



1 provided by the licensing laws or this section[+],
2 except when the revocation, suspension, or other
3 disciplinary action was based on the provision or
4 assistance in receipt or provision of gender-affirming
5 health care services, as defined under section -1,
6 so long as the provision or assistance in receipt or
7 provision of the services was in accordance with the
8 laws of this State or would have been in accordance
9 with the laws of this State if it occurred within this
10 State;

11 (13) Having been convicted of a crime, whether by nolo
12 contendere or otherwise, directly related to the
13 qualifications, functions, or duties of the licensed
14 profession[+], except when the conviction was based on
15 the provision or assistance in receipt or provision of
16 gender-affirming health care services, as defined
17 under section -1, so long as the provision or
18 assistance in receipt or provision of the services was
19 in accordance with the laws of this State or would
20 have been in accordance with the laws of this State if
21 it occurred within this State;



- 1 (14) Failing to report in writing to the director any
- 2 disciplinary decision issued against the licensee or
- 3 applicant in another jurisdiction within thirty days
- 4 of the disciplinary decision;
- 5 (15) Employing, utilizing, or attempting to employ or
- 6 utilize, at any time, any person not licensed under
- 7 the licensing laws where licensure is required; or
- 8 (16) Violating this chapter, chapter 436B, or any rule or
- 9 order of the director."

10 SECTION 9. Section 453D-13, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11 amended to read as follows:

12 "~~§~~453D-13~~§~~ **Confidentiality and privileged**
13 **communications.** No person licensed as a mental health
14 counselor, nor any of the person's employees or associates,
15 shall be required to disclose any information that the person
16 may have acquired in rendering mental health counseling
17 services, except in the following circumstances:

- 18 (1) As required by law;
- 19 (2) To prevent a clear and imminent danger to a person or
- 20 persons;



- 1 (3) In accordance with the terms of a previously written
2 waiver of the privilege where the waiver is executed
3 by the client or by the client's legally recognized
4 representative;
- 5 (4) Where more than one person jointly receives counseling
6 and each person who is legally competent executes a
7 written waiver. In that instance, a mental health
8 counselor may disclose information from any person in
9 accordance with that person's waiver; or
- 10 (5) In the course of a disciplinary action or pursuant to
11 a duly authorized subpoena issued by the
12 department[-], except when the disciplinary action by
13 another state or federal agency is based on the
14 provision or assistance in receipt or provision of
15 gender-affirming health care services, as defined
16 under section -1, so long as the provision or
17 assistance in receipt or provision of the services was
18 in accordance with the laws of this State or would
19 have been in accordance with the laws of this State if
20 it occurred within this State."



1 SECTION 10. Section 457-12, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:

3 "(a) In addition to any other actions authorized by law,
4 the board shall have the power to deny, revoke, limit, or
5 suspend any license to practice nursing as a registered nurse or
6 as a licensed practical nurse applied for or issued by the board
7 in accordance with this chapter, and to fine or to otherwise
8 discipline a licensee for any cause authorized by law, including
9 but not limited to the following:

- 10 (1) Fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting to procure
11 a license to practice nursing as a registered nurse or
12 as a licensed practical nurse;
- 13 (2) Gross immorality;
- 14 (3) Unfitness or incompetence by reason of negligence,
15 habits, or other causes;
- 16 (4) Habitual intemperance, addiction to, or dependency on
17 alcohol or other habit-forming substances;
- 18 (5) Mental incompetence;
- 19 (6) Unprofessional conduct as defined by the board in
20 accordance with its own rules;



1 (7) Wilful or repeated violation of any of the provisions
2 of this chapter or any rule adopted by the board;
3 (8) Revocation, suspension, limitation, or other
4 disciplinary action by another state of a nursing
5 license, except when the revocation, suspension,
6 limitation, or other disciplinary action by another
7 state was based on the provision or assistance in
8 receipt or provision of [~~medical,~~]:
9 (A) Medical, surgical, pharmaceutical, counseling, or
10 referral services relating to the human
11 reproductive system, including but not limited to
12 services relating to pregnancy, contraception, or
13 the termination of a pregnancy[~~τ~~]; or
14 (B) Gender-affirming health care services, as defined
15 under section -1,
16 so long as the provision or assistance in receipt or
17 provision of the services was in accordance with the
18 laws of this State or would have been in accordance
19 with the laws of this State if it occurred within this
20 State;



- 1 (9) Conviction, whether by nolo contendere or otherwise,
2 of a penal offense substantially related to the
3 qualifications, functions, or duties of a nurse,
4 notwithstanding any statutory provision to the
5 contrary, except when the conviction was based on the
6 provision or assistance in receipt or provision of
7 ~~medical~~ ;
8 (A) Medical, surgical, pharmaceutical, counseling, or
9 referral services relating to the human
10 reproductive system, including but not limited to
11 services relating to pregnancy, contraception, or
12 the termination of a pregnancy~~[7]~~; or
13 (B) Gender-affirming health care services, as defined
14 under section -1,
15 so long as the provision or assistance in receipt or
16 provision of the services was in accordance with the
17 laws of this State or would have been in accordance
18 with the laws of this State if it occurred within this
19 State;
20 (10) Failure to report to the board any disciplinary action
21 taken against the licensee in another jurisdiction



1 within thirty days after the disciplinary action
2 becomes final;

3 (11) Submitting to or filing with the board any notice,
4 statement, or other document required under this
5 chapter[~~, which~~] that is false or untrue or contains
6 any material misstatement of fact, including a false
7 attestation of compliance with continuing competency
8 requirements; or

9 (12) Violation of the conditions or limitations upon which
10 any license is issued.

11 (b) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the
12 board may deny a license to any applicant who has been
13 disciplined by another state, except on the basis of discipline
14 by another state for the provision or assistance in receipt or
15 provision of [~~medical,~~]:

16 (1) Medical, surgical, pharmaceutical, counseling, or
17 referral services relating to the human reproductive
18 system, including but not limited to services relating
19 to pregnancy, contraception, or the termination of a
20 pregnancy[~~;~~]; or



1 (2) Gender-affirming health care services, as defined
2 under section -1,
3 so long as the provision or assistance in receipt or provision
4 of the services was in accordance with the laws of this State or
5 would have been in accordance with the laws of this State if it
6 occurred within this State. Any final order entered pursuant to
7 this subsection shall be a matter of public record."

8 SECTION 11. Section 457-12.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
9 amended as follows:

10 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:

11 "(a) Upon receipt of evidence of revocation, suspension,
12 or other disciplinary action against a licensee in another
13 state, the board may issue an order imposing disciplinary action
14 upon the licensee on the following conditions:

15 (1) The board shall serve the licensee with a proposed
16 order imposing disciplinary action as required by
17 chapter 91;

18 (2) The licensee shall have the right to request a hearing
19 pursuant to chapter 91 to show cause why the action
20 described in the proposed order should not be imposed;



1 (3) Any request for a hearing shall be made in writing and
2 filed with the board within twenty days after mailing
3 of the proposed order to the licensee; and

4 (4) If the licensee does not submit a written request for
5 a hearing within twenty days after mailing of the
6 proposed order, the board shall issue a final order
7 imposing the disciplinary action described in the
8 proposed order;

9 provided that the board shall not issue an order imposing
10 disciplinary action upon the licensee if the revocation,
11 suspension, or other disciplinary action against a licensee by
12 another state was based on the provision or assistance in
13 receipt or provision of medical, surgical, pharmaceutical,
14 counseling, or referral services relating to the human
15 reproductive system, including but not limited to services
16 relating to pregnancy, contraception, or the termination of a
17 pregnancy, or the provision or assistance in receipt or
18 provision of gender-affirming health care services, as defined
19 under section -1, so long as the provision or assistance in
20 receipt or provision of the services was in accordance with the



1 laws of this State or would have been in accordance with the
2 laws of this State if it occurred within this State."

3 2. By amending subsection (c) to read:

4 "(c) A licensee against whom the board has issued a
5 proposed order under this section shall be prohibited from
6 practicing in this State until the board issues a final order
7 if:

8 (1) The licensee was the subject of disciplinary action by
9 another state, except where the disciplinary action
10 against the licensee by another state was based on the
11 provision or assistance in receipt or provision of
12 ~~medical~~:

13 (A) Medical, surgical, pharmaceutical, counseling, or
14 referral services relating to the human
15 reproductive system, including but not limited to
16 services relating to pregnancy, contraception, or
17 the termination of a pregnancy; or

18 (B) Gender-affirming health care services, as defined
19 under section -1,

20 so long as the provision or assistance in receipt or
21 provision of the services was in accordance with the



1 laws of this State or would have been in accordance
2 with the laws of this State if it occurred within this
3 State; and

4 (2) The disciplinary action in the other state prohibits
5 the licensee from practicing in that state."

6 SECTION 12. Section 461-21.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
7 amended as follows:

8 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:

9 "(a) Upon receipt of evidence of revocation, suspension,
10 or other disciplinary action against a licensee by another state
11 or federal agency, the board may issue an order imposing
12 disciplinary action upon the licensee on the following
13 conditions:

14 (1) The board shall serve the licensee with a proposed
15 order imposing disciplinary action as required by
16 chapter 91;

17 (2) The licensee shall have the right to request a hearing
18 pursuant to chapter 91 to show cause why the action
19 described in the proposed order should not be imposed;



1 (3) Any request for a hearing shall be made in writing and
2 filed with the board within twenty days after mailing
3 of the proposed order to the licensee; and
4 (4) If the licensee does not submit a written request for
5 a hearing within twenty days after mailing of the
6 proposed order, the board shall issue a final order
7 imposing the disciplinary action described in the
8 proposed order;
9 provided that the board shall not issue an order imposing
10 disciplinary action upon the licensee if the revocation,
11 suspension, or other disciplinary action against a licensee by
12 another state was based on the provision or assistance in
13 receipt or provision of medical, surgical, pharmaceutical,
14 counseling, or referral services relating to the human
15 reproductive system, including but not limited to services
16 relating to pregnancy, contraception, or the termination of a
17 pregnancy, or the provision or assistance in receipt or
18 provision of gender-affirming health care services, as defined
19 under section -1, so long as the provision or assistance in
20 receipt or provision of the services was in accordance with the



1 laws of this State or would have been in accordance with the
2 laws of this State if it occurred within this State."

3 2. By amending subsection (c) to read:

4 "(c) A licensee against whom the board has issued a
5 proposed order under this section shall be prohibited from
6 practicing in this State until the board issues a final order
7 if:

8 (1) The licensee was the subject of disciplinary action by
9 another state, except where the disciplinary action
10 against the licensee by another state was based on the
11 provision or assistance in receipt or provision of
12 ~~medical~~:

13 (A) Medical, surgical, pharmaceutical, counseling, or
14 referral services relating to the human
15 reproductive system, including but not limited to
16 services relating to pregnancy, contraception, or
17 the termination of a pregnancy~~]; or~~

18 (B) Gender-affirming health care services, as defined
19 under section -1,

20 so long as the provision or assistance in receipt or
21 provision of the services was in accordance with the



1 laws of this State or would have been in accordance
2 with the laws of this State if it occurred within this
3 State; and

4 (2) The disciplinary action by another state prohibits the
5 licensee from practicing in that state."

6 SECTION 13. Section 465-13, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
7 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

8 "(a) In addition to any other actions authorized by law,
9 the board shall refuse to grant a license to any applicant and
10 may revoke or suspend any license, or may place a license or
11 [~~may~~] put a license holder on conditional probation, for any
12 cause authorized by law, including but not limited to the
13 following:

14 (1) Professional misconduct, gross carelessness, manifest
15 incapacity, or incompetency in the practice of
16 psychology;

17 (2) Violation of this chapter by the applicant within one
18 year of the application, or violation of this chapter
19 by a license holder any time the license is valid;

20 (3) Any unethical practice of psychology as defined by the
21 board in accordance with its own rules;



- 1 (4) Fraud or deception in applying for or procuring a
2 license to practice psychology as defined in section
3 465-1;
- 4 (5) Conviction of a crime substantially related to the
5 qualifications, functions, or duties of
6 psychologists[+], except when the conviction was based
7 on the provision or assistance in receipt or provision
8 of gender-affirming health care services, as defined
9 under section -1, so long as the provision or
10 assistance in receipt or provision of the services was
11 in accordance with the laws of this State or would
12 have been in accordance with the laws of this State if
13 it occurred within this State;
- 14 (6) Wilful unauthorized communication of information
15 received in professional confidence;
- 16 (7) The suspension, revocation, or imposition of
17 probationary conditions by another state of a license
18 or certificate to practice psychology issued by that
19 state if the act for which the disciplinary action was
20 taken constitutes a violation of this chapter;



- 1 (8) The commission of any dishonest, corrupt, or
2 fraudulent act or any act of sexual abuse, or sexual
3 relations with a client, or sexual misconduct that is
4 substantially related to the qualifications,
5 functions, or duties of a psychologist;
- 6 (9) Harassment, intimidation, or abuse, sexual or
7 otherwise, of a client or patient;
- 8 (10) Exercising undue influence in the manner as to exploit
9 the client, patient, student, or supervisee for
10 financial or other personal advantage to the
11 practitioner or a third party;
- 12 (11) Conviction of fraud in filing medicaid claims or
13 conviction of fraud in filing claims to any third
14 party payor, for which a copy of the record of
15 conviction, certified by the clerk of the court
16 entering the conviction, shall be conclusive evidence;
- 17 (12) Aiding or abetting any unlicensed person to engage in
18 the practice of psychology;
- 19 (13) Repeated acts of excessive treatment or use of
20 diagnostic procedures as determined by the standard of
21 the local community of licensees;



- 1 (14) Inability to practice psychology with reasonable skill
- 2 and safety to patients or clients by reason of
- 3 illness, inebriation, or excessive use of any
- 4 substance, or as a result of any mental or physical
- 5 condition;
- 6 (15) Conviction of any crime or offense that reflects the
- 7 inability of the practitioner to practice psychology
- 8 with due regard for the health and safety of clients
- 9 or patients;
- 10 (16) Use of untruthful or deceptive or improbable
- 11 statements concerning the licensee's qualifications or
- 12 the effects or results of proposed treatment;
- 13 (17) Functioning outside of the licensee's professional
- 14 competence established by education, training, and
- 15 experience;
- 16 (18) Refusal to comply with any written order of the board;
- 17 (19) Making any fraudulent or untrue statement to the
- 18 board, including a false certification of compliance
- 19 with the continuing education requirement of section
- 20 465-11; or
- 21 (20) Violation of a board rule."



1 SECTION 14. Section 583A-102, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted
3 and to read as follows:

4 "Gender-affirming health care services" shall have the
5 same meaning as that term is defined in section -1."

6 SECTION 15. Section 583A-201, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 **"[~~§~~583A-201~~]~~ Initial child-custody jurisdiction. (a)**

9 Except as otherwise provided in section 583A-204, a court of
10 this State [~~has~~] shall have jurisdiction to make an initial
11 child-custody determination only if:

12 (1) This State is the home state of the child on the date
13 of the commencement of the proceeding, or was the home
14 state of the child within six months before the
15 commencement of the proceeding and the child is absent
16 from this State but a parent or person acting as a
17 parent continues to live in this State;

18 (2) A court of another state does not have jurisdiction
19 under paragraph (1), or a court of the home state of
20 the child has declined to exercise jurisdiction on the



1 ground that this State is the more appropriate forum
2 under section 583A-207 or 583A-208, and:

3 (A) The child and the child's parents, or the child
4 and at least one parent or a person acting as a
5 parent, have a significant connection with this
6 State other than mere physical presence; and

7 (B) Substantial evidence is available in this State
8 concerning the child's care, protection,
9 training, and personal relationships;

10 (3) All courts having jurisdiction under paragraph (1) or
11 (2) have declined to exercise jurisdiction on the
12 ground that a court of this State is the more
13 appropriate forum to determine the custody of the
14 child under section 583A-207 or 583A-208; or

15 (4) No court of any other state would have jurisdiction
16 under the criteria specified in paragraph (1), (2), or
17 (3).

18 (b) Subsection (a) shall be the exclusive jurisdictional
19 basis for making a child-custody determination by a court of
20 this State.



1 (c) Physical presence of, or personal jurisdiction over, a
2 party or [a] child shall not be necessary or sufficient to make
3 a child-custody determination.

4 (d) The presence of a child in this State for the purpose
5 of obtaining gender-affirming health care services shall be
6 sufficient to meet the requirements of subsection (a) (2)."

7 SECTION 16. Section 583A-204, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

9 "(a) A court of this State [~~has~~] shall have temporary
10 emergency jurisdiction if the child is present in this State and
11 the child has been abandoned or it is necessary in an emergency
12 to protect the child because the child, or a sibling or parent
13 of the child, is subjected to or threatened with mistreatment or
14 abuse[-], or because the child has been unable to obtain
15 gender-affirming health care services."

16 SECTION 17. Section 583A-207, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 "~~[§583A-207]~~ **Inconvenient forum.** (a) A court of this
19 State [~~which~~] that has jurisdiction under this chapter to make a
20 child-custody determination may decline to exercise its
21 jurisdiction at any time if it determines that it is an



1 inconvenient forum under the circumstances and that a court of
2 another state is a more appropriate forum. The issue of
3 inconvenient forum may be raised upon the motion of a party, the
4 court's own motion, or request of another court.

5 (b) Before determining whether it is an inconvenient
6 forum, a court of this State shall consider whether it is
7 appropriate for a court of another state to exercise
8 jurisdiction. For this purpose, the court shall allow the
9 parties to submit information and shall consider all relevant
10 factors, including:

- 11 (1) Whether domestic violence has occurred and is likely
12 to continue in the future and which state could best
13 protect the parties and the child;
- 14 (2) The length of time the child has resided outside this
15 State;
- 16 (3) The distance between the court in this State and the
17 court in the state that would assume jurisdiction;
- 18 (4) The relative financial circumstances of the parties;
- 19 (5) Any agreement of the parties as to which state should
20 assume jurisdiction;



1 (6) The nature and location of the evidence required to
2 resolve the pending litigation, including testimony of
3 the child;

4 (7) The ability of the court of each state to decide the
5 issue expeditiously and the procedures necessary to
6 present the evidence;

7 (8) The familiarity of the court of each state with the
8 facts and issues in the pending litigation; and

9 (9) The physical and psychological health of the parties.

10 (c) If a court of this State determines that it is an
11 inconvenient forum and that a court of another state is a more
12 appropriate forum, it shall stay the proceedings upon condition
13 that a child-custody proceeding be promptly commenced in another
14 designated state and may impose any other condition the court
15 considers just and proper.

16 (d) A court of this State may decline to exercise its
17 jurisdiction under this chapter if a child-custody determination
18 is incidental to an action for divorce or another proceeding,
19 while still retaining jurisdiction over the divorce or other
20 proceeding.



1 (e) In a case where the provision of gender-affirming
2 health care services to the child is at issue, a court of this
3 State shall not determine that it is an inconvenient forum where
4 the law or policy of the other state that may take jurisdiction
5 limits the ability of a parent to obtain gender-affirming health
6 care services for the child."

7 SECTION 18. Section 583A-208, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8 amended to read as follows:

9 "~~§~~**583A-208**~~§~~ **Jurisdiction declined by reason of**
10 **conduct.** (a) Except as otherwise provided in section 583A-204,
11 if a court of this State has jurisdiction under this chapter
12 because a person seeking to invoke its jurisdiction has engaged
13 in unjustifiable conduct, the court shall decline to exercise
14 its jurisdiction unless:

15 (1) The parents and all persons acting as parents have
16 acquiesced in the exercise of jurisdiction;

17 (2) A court of the state otherwise having jurisdiction
18 under sections 583A-201 to 583A-203 determines that
19 this State is a more appropriate forum under section
20 583A-207; or



1 (3) No court of any other state would have jurisdiction
2 under the criteria specified in sections 583A-201 to
3 583A-203.

4 (b) If a court of this State declines to exercise its
5 jurisdiction pursuant to subsection (a), it may fashion an
6 appropriate remedy to ensure the safety of the child and prevent
7 a repetition of the unjustifiable conduct, including staying the
8 proceeding until a child-custody proceeding is commenced in a
9 court having jurisdiction under sections 583A-201 to 583A-203.

10 (c) If a court dismisses a petition or stays a proceeding
11 because it declines to exercise its jurisdiction pursuant to
12 subsection (a), it may assess against the party seeking to
13 invoke its jurisdiction necessary and reasonable expenses
14 including costs, communication expenses, attorney's fees,
15 investigative fees, expenses for witnesses, travel expenses, and
16 child care during the course of the proceedings, unless the
17 party from whom fees are sought is a protective parent fleeing
18 abuse, or the assessment would be clearly inappropriate. The
19 court [~~may~~] shall not assess fees, costs, or expenses against
20 this State unless authorized by law other than this chapter.



1 (d) In making a determination under this section, a court
 2 shall not consider as a factor weighing against the petitioner
 3 any taking of the child, or retention of the child after a visit
 4 or other temporary relinquishment of physical custody, from the
 5 person who has legal custody if there is evidence that the
 6 taking or retention of the child was for the purposes of
 7 obtaining gender-affirming health care services for the child
 8 and the law or policy of the other state limits the ability of a
 9 parent to obtain gender-affirming health care services for the
 10 child."

11 SECTION 19. Section 636C- , Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 12 amended to read as follows:

13 **"§636C- Enforcement of foreign penal civil actions**
 14 **relating to protected reproductive health care services[~~-~~] or**
 15 **protected gender-affirming health care services.** (a) No
 16 judgment or other order arising from a foreign penal civil
 17 action or other penal law banning, restricting, burdening,
 18 punishing, penalizing, or otherwise interfering with the
 19 provision of protected reproductive health care services or
 20 protected gender-affirming health care services shall be
 21 enforced in this State.



1 (b) As used in this section:

2 "Foreign penal civil action" means an action authorized by
3 the law of a state, or of any municipality or other governmental
4 entity within a state, other than this State, the essential
5 character and effect of which is to punish an offense against
6 the public justice of that state, municipality, or other
7 governmental entity.

8 "Gender-affirming health care services" shall have the same
9 meaning as that term is defined in section -1.

10 "Protected gender-affirming health care services" means
11 gender-affirming health care services that are protected under
12 the Hawaii State Constitution or otherwise lawful under the laws
13 of this State or that would be constitutionally protected or
14 otherwise lawful if performed within this State.

15 "Protected reproductive health care services" means
16 medical, surgical, pharmaceutical, counseling, or referral
17 services relating to the human reproductive system, including
18 but not limited to services relating to pregnancy,
19 contraception, or termination of a pregnancy, that are protected
20 under the Hawaii State Constitution or otherwise lawful under



1 the laws of this State or that would be constitutionally
2 protected or otherwise lawful if performed within this State."

3 SECTION 20. Section 836-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended to read as follows:

5 "**§836-2 Summoning witness in this State to testify in**
6 **another state.** (a) If a judge of a court of record in any
7 state [~~which~~] that by its laws has made provision for commanding
8 persons within that state to attend and testify in this State
9 certifies under the seal of that court that there is a criminal
10 prosecution pending in that court, or that a grand jury
11 investigation has commenced or is about to commence, that a
12 person in this State is a material witness in the prosecution or
13 grand jury investigation, and that the person's presence will be
14 required for a specified number of days, upon presentation of
15 the certificate to any judge of a court of record in this State
16 in the judicial district in which the person is, the judge shall
17 fix a time and place for a hearing, and shall make an order
18 directing the witness to appear at a time and place certain for
19 the hearing.

20 If at a hearing the judge determines that the witness is
21 material and necessary, that it will not cause undue hardship to



1 the witness to be compelled to attend and testify in the
2 prosecution or a grand jury investigation in the other state,
3 and that the laws of the state in which the prosecution is
4 pending, or grand jury investigation has commenced or is about
5 to commence, and of any other state through which the witness
6 may be required to pass by ordinary course of travel, will give
7 to the witness protection from arrest and the service of civil
8 and criminal process, the judge shall issue a summons, with a
9 copy of the certificate attached, directing the witness to
10 attend and testify in the court where the prosecution is
11 pending, or where a grand jury investigation has commenced or is
12 about to commence at a time and place specified in the summons[
13 ~~except~~]; provided that no judge shall issue a summons in a case
14 where prosecution is pending, or where a grand jury
15 investigation has commenced or is about to commence, for a
16 criminal violation of a law of another state involving [~~the~~
17 ~~provision,~~]:

18 (1) Seeking, receiving, paying for, [~~receipt of, or~~
19 assistance with] or inquiring about reproductive
20 health care services [~~as defined in section — 1~~] or
21 gender-affirming health care services;



1 (2) Providing or responding to an inquiry about
2 reproductive health care services or gender affirming
3 health care services;

4 (3) Assisting or aiding or abetting in any of the conduct
5 described in paragraph (1) or (2); or

6 (4) Attempting or intending to engage in or providing
7 material support for (or any other theory of
8 vicarious, attempt, joint, several, or conspiracy
9 liability derived therefrom) conduct described in
10 paragraphs (1) to (3),

11 unless the acts forming the basis of the prosecution or
12 investigation would also constitute an offense in this State.

13 In any hearing, the certificate shall be prima facie evidence of
14 all the facts stated therein.

15 If the certificate recommends that the witness be taken
16 into immediate custody and delivered to an officer of the
17 requesting state to assure the witness' attendance in the
18 requesting state, the judge may, in lieu of notification of the
19 hearing, direct that the witness be forthwith brought before the
20 judge for the hearing; and the judge at the hearing being
21 satisfied of the desirability of the custody and delivery, for



1 which determination the certificate shall be prima facie proof
2 of the desirability may, in lieu of issuing subpoena or summons,
3 order that the witness be forthwith taken into custody and
4 delivered to an officer of the requesting state.

5 If the witness, who is summoned pursuant to this section,
6 after being paid or tendered by some properly authorized person
7 a sum equivalent to the cost of round-trip air fare to the place
8 where the prosecution is pending and \$30 for each day, that the
9 witness is required to travel and attend as a witness, fails
10 without good cause to attend and testify as directed in the
11 summons, the witness shall be punished in the manner provided
12 for the punishment of any witness who disobeys a summons issued
13 from a court of record in this State.

14 (b) As used in this section, "gender-affirming health care
15 services" and "reproductive health care services" shall have the
16 same meaning as those terms are defined in section -1."

17 SECTION 21. If any provision of this Act, or the
18 application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held
19 invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or
20 applications of the Act that can be given effect without the



1 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions
2 of this Act are severable.

3 SECTION 22. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
4 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

5 SECTION 23. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Relaxes the requirements for prescribing certain controlled substances as part of gender-affirming health care services. Expands the protections established under Act 2, SLH 2023, to include gender-affirming health care services. Clarifies jurisdiction under the Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act for cases involving children who obtain gender-affirming health care services.

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