**§7095. Effective date; withdrawal and amendment**

**1. Effective date.**  The compact takes effect on the date on which the compact statute is enacted into law in the 7th participating state.

A. On or after the effective date of the compact, the commission shall convene and review the enactment of each of the first 7 member states that enacted the compact prior to the commission convening to determine if the statute enacted by each such charter member state is materially different from the model compact.

(1) A charter member state whose enactment is found to be materially different from the model compact is entitled to the default process set forth in section 7094, subsection 2.

(2) If any member state is later found to be in default, or is terminated or withdraws from the compact, the commission remains in existence and the compact remains in effect even if the number of member states is less than 7. [PL 2023, c. 674, §1 (NEW).]

B. Member states enacting the compact subsequent to the charter member states are subject to the process set forth in section 7091, subsection 3, paragraph U to determine if the states' enactments are materially different from the model compact and whether the states qualify for participation in the compact. [PL 2023, c. 674, §1 (NEW).]

C. All actions taken for the benefit of the commission or in furtherance of the purposes of the administration of the compact prior to the effective date of the compact or the commission coming into existence must be considered to be actions of the commission unless specifically repudiated by the commission. [PL 2023, c. 674, §1 (NEW).]

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**2. Subsequent member states.**  Any state that joins the compact subsequent to the commission's initial adoption of the rules and bylaws is subject to the rules and bylaws as they exist on the date on which the compact becomes law in that state. Any rule that has been previously adopted by the commission has the full force and effect of law on the day the compact becomes law in that state.

[PL 2023, c. 674, §1 (NEW).]

**3. Withdrawal; notice.**  Any member state may withdraw from the compact by enacting a statute repealing the compact.

A. A member state's withdrawal does not take effect until 180 days after enactment of the repealing statute. [PL 2023, c. 674, §1 (NEW).]

B. Withdrawal does not affect the continuing requirement of the withdrawing state's professional licensing board to comply with the investigative and adverse action reporting requirements of this subchapter prior to the effective date of withdrawal. [PL 2023, c. 674, §1 (NEW).]

C. Upon the enactment of a statute withdrawing from the compact, a state shall immediately provide notice of the withdrawal to all licensees within that state. Notwithstanding any subsequent statutory enactment to the contrary, a withdrawing state shall continue to recognize all licenses granted pursuant to this compact for a minimum of 180 days after the date of the notice of withdrawal. [PL 2023, c. 674, §1 (NEW).]

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**4. Other agreements or arrangements.**  Nothing contained in this compact may be construed to invalidate or prevent any licensure agreement or other cooperative arrangement between a member state and a nonmember state that does not conflict with the provisions of this compact.

[PL 2023, c. 674, §1 (NEW).]

**5. Amendment.**  The compact may be amended by the member states. An amendment to this compact does not become effective and binding upon any member state until it is enacted into the laws of all member states.

[PL 2023, c. 674, §1 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 2023, c. 674, §1 (NEW).

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