

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Health and Welfare to which was referred Senate Bill
3 No. 142 entitled “An act relating to a pathway to licensure for internationally
4 trained physicians and medical graduates” respectfully reports that it has
5 considered the same and recommends that the bill be amended by striking out
6 Sec. 4, effective dates, and inserting in lieu thereof two new sections to be
7 Secs. 4 and 5 to read as follows:

8 **Sec. 4. ALTERNATIVE PATHWAY TO LICENSURE FOR**
9 **INTERNATIONALLY TRAINED PHYSICIANS AND**
10 **MEDICAL GRADUATES; REPORT**

11 **(a) On or before January 15, 2027, the Department of Health, in**
12 **collaboration with the Board of Medical Practice, shall provide to the**
13 **House Committees on Health Care and on Government Operations and**
14 **Military Affairs and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and**
15 **on Government Operations a report detailing a pathway to licensure for**
16 **internationally trained physicians and medical graduates as an alternative**
17 **to the pathway established in Sec. 2 of this act. The report shall include**
18 **the following information:**

19 **(1) a summary of other states’ processes for licensing internationally**
20 **trained physicians and medical graduates to practice medicine and, if**
21 **available, data on the outcomes of these processes and related programs;**

1 **(2) a description of the external resources needed to evaluate the**
2 **education, experience, and examinations of internationally trained**
3 **physicians and medical graduates and the availability of these resources;**

4 **(3) a proposal for licensing internationally trained physicians and**
5 **medical graduates to practice medicine in Vermont, including potential**
6 **qualifications and supervision requirements for licensure, a summary of**
7 **any additional resources and statutory authority needed, and a plan and**
8 **timeline for implementing the licensing program; and**

9 **(4) any additional information that the Department deems relevant**
10 **to a robust consideration of the issues related to licensing internationally**
11 **trained physicians and medical graduates to practice medicine in**
12 **Vermont.**

13 **(b) In preparing the report required by this section, the Department**
14 **shall consult with other states that have implemented licensing programs**
15 **for internationally trained physicians and medical graduates; the**
16 **Vermont chapter of the NAACP; third-party credentialing services; the**
17 **Vermont Medical Society; the Vermont Association of Hospitals and**
18 **Health Systems; and other advocacy organizations, researchers, and other**
19 **entities whose expertise is relevant to developing the report.**

