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REFERRED TO CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE,
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AN ACT

1 Authorizing the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to join the
2 Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact; providing for the
3 form of the compact; imposing additional powers and duties on
4 the Governor, the Secretary of the Commonwealth and the
5 Compact.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Short title.

9 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Psychology
10 Interjurisdictional Compact Act.

11 Section 2. Authority to execute compact.

12 The Governor of Pennsylvania, on behalf of this State, is
13 hereby authorized to execute a compact in substantially the
14 following form with any one or more of the states of the United
15 States and the General Assembly hereby signifies in advance its
16 approval and ratification of the compact:

17 ARTICLE I

18 PURPOSE

1 Whereas, states license psychologists, in order to protect
2 the public through verification of education, training and
3 experience and ensure accountability for professional practice;
4 and

5 Whereas, this Compact is intended to regulate the day to day
6 practice of telepsychology (i.e. the provision of psychological
7 services using telecommunication technologies) by psychologists
8 across state boundaries in the performance of their
9 psychological practice as assigned by an appropriate authority;
10 and

11 Whereas, this Compact is intended to regulate the temporary
12 in-person, face-to-face practice of psychology by psychologists
13 across state boundaries for 30 days within a calendar year in
14 the performance of their psychological practice as assigned by
15 an appropriate authority;

16 Whereas, this Compact is intended to authorize State
17 Psychology Regulatory Authorities to afford legal recognition,
18 in a manner consistent with the terms of the Compact, to
19 psychologists licensed in another state;

20 Whereas, this Compact recognizes that states have a vested
21 interest in protecting the public's health and safety through
22 their licensing and regulation of psychologists and that such
23 state regulation will best protect public health and safety;

24 Whereas, this Compact does not apply when a psychologist is
25 licensed in both the Home and Receiving States; and

26 Whereas, this Compact does not apply to permanent in-person,
27 face-to-face practice, it does allow for authorization of
28 temporary psychological practice.

29 Consistent with these principles, this Compact is designed to
30 achieve the following purposes and objectives:

- 1 1. Increase public access to professional psychological
2 services by allowing for telepsychological practice
3 across state lines as well as temporary in-person,
4 face-to-face services into a state which the
5 psychologist is not licensed to practice psychology;
- 6 2. Enhance the states' ability to protect the public's
7 health and safety, especially client/patient safety;
- 8 3. Encourage the cooperation of Compact States in the
9 areas of psychology licensure and regulation;
- 10 4. Facilitate the exchange of information between
11 Compact States regarding psychologist licensure,
12 adverse actions and disciplinary history;
- 13 5. Promote compliance with the laws governing
14 psychological practice in each Compact State; and
- 15 6. Invest all Compact States with the authority to hold
16 licensed psychologists accountable through the mutual
17 recognition of Compact State licenses.

18 ARTICLE II

19 DEFINITIONS

- 20 A. "Adverse Action" means: Any action taken by a State
21 Psychology Regulatory Authority which finds a violation
22 of a statute or regulation that is identified by the
23 State Psychology Regulatory Authority as discipline and
24 is a matter of public record.
- 25 B. "Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards
26 (ASPPB)" means: the recognized membership organization
27 composed of State and Provincial Psychology Regulatory
28 Authorities responsible for the licensure and
29 registration of psychologists throughout the United
30 States and Canada.

- 1 C. "Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional
2 Telepsychology" means: a licensed psychologist's
3 authority to practice telepsychology, within the limits
4 authorized under this Compact, in another Compact State.
- 5 D. "Bylaws" means: those Bylaws established by the
6 Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact Commission
7 pursuant to Article X for its governance, or for
8 directing and controlling its actions and conduct.
- 9 E. "Client/Patient" means: the recipient of psychological
10 services, whether psychological services are delivered in
11 the context of healthcare, corporate, supervision, and/or
12 consulting services.
- 13 F. "Commissioner" means: the voting representative appointed
14 by each State Psychology Regulatory Authority pursuant to
15 Article X.
- 16 G. "Compact State" means: a state, the District of Columbia,
17 or United States territory that has enacted this Compact
18 legislation and which has not withdrawn pursuant to
19 Article XIII, Section C or been terminated pursuant to
20 Article XII, Section B.
- 21 H. "Coordinated Licensure Information System" also referred
22 to as "Coordinated Database" means: an integrated process
23 for collecting, storing, and sharing information on
24 psychologists' licensure and enforcement activities
25 related to psychology licensure laws, which is
26 administered by the recognized membership organization
27 composed of State and Provincial Psychology Regulatory
28 Authorities.
- 29 I. "Confidentiality" means: the principle that data or
30 information is not made available or disclosed to

1 unauthorized persons and/or processes.

2 J. "Day" means: any part of a day in which psychological
3 work is performed.

4 K. "Distant State" means: the Compact State where a
5 psychologist is physically present (not through the use
6 of telecommunications technologies), to provide temporary
7 in-person, face-to-face psychological services.

8 L. "E.Passport" means: a certificate issued by the
9 Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards
10 (ASPPB) that promotes the standardization in the criteria
11 of interjurisdictional telepsychology practice and
12 facilitates the process for licensed psychologists to
13 provide telepsychological services across state lines.

14 M. "Executive Board" means: a group of directors elected or
15 appointed to act on behalf of, and within the powers
16 granted to them by, the Commission.

17 N. "Home State" means: a Compact State where a psychologist
18 is licensed to practice psychology. If the psychologist
19 is licensed in more than one Compact State and is
20 practicing under the Authorization to Practice
21 Interjurisdictional Telepsychology, the Home State is the
22 Compact State where the psychologist is physically
23 present when the telepsychological services are
24 delivered. If the psychologist is licensed in more than
25 one Compact State and is practicing under the Temporary
26 Authorization to Practice, the Home State is any Compact
27 State where the psychologist is licensed.

28 O. "Identity History Summary" means: a summary of
29 information retained by the FBI, or other designee with
30 similar authority, in connection with arrests and, in

1 some instances, federal employment, naturalization, or
2 military service.

3 P. "In-Person, Face-to-Face" means: interactions in which
4 the psychologist and the client/patient are in the same
5 physical space and which does not include interactions
6 that may occur through the use of telecommunication
7 technologies.

8 Q. "Interjurisdictional Practice Certificate (IPC)" means: a
9 certificate issued by the Association of State and
10 Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) that grants
11 temporary authority to practice based on notification to
12 the State Psychology Regulatory Authority of intention to
13 practice temporarily, and verification of one's
14 qualifications for such practice.

15 R. "License" means: authorization by a State Psychology
16 Regulatory Authority to engage in the independent
17 practice of psychology, which would be unlawful without
18 the authorization.

19 S. "Non-Compact State" means: any State which is not at the
20 time a Compact State.

21 T. "Psychologist" means: an individual licensed for the
22 independent practice of psychology.

23 U. "Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact Commission" also
24 referred to as "Commission" means: the national
25 administration of which all Compact States are members.

26 V. "Receiving State" means: a Compact State where the
27 client/patient is physically located when the
28 telepsychological services are delivered.

29 W. "Rule" means: a written statement by the Psychology
30 Interjurisdictional Compact Commission promulgated

1 pursuant to Article XI of the Compact that is of general
2 applicability, implements, interprets, or prescribes a
3 policy or provision of the Compact, or an organizational,
4 procedural, or practice requirement of the Commission and
5 has the force and effect of statutory law in a Compact
6 State, and includes the amendment, repeal or suspension
7 of an existing rule.

8 X. "Significant Investigatory Information" means:

- 9 1. investigative information that a State Psychology
10 Regulatory Authority, after a preliminary inquiry
11 that includes notification and an opportunity to
12 respond if required by state law, has reason to
13 believe, if proven true, would indicate more than a
14 violation of state statute or ethics code that would
15 be considered more substantial than minor infraction;
16 or
- 17 2. investigative information that indicates that the
18 psychologist represents an immediate threat to public
19 health and safety regardless of whether the
20 psychologist has been notified and/or had an
21 opportunity to respond.

22 Y. "State" means: a state, commonwealth, territory, or
23 possession of the United States, the District of
24 Columbia.

25 Z. "State Psychology Regulatory Authority" means: the Board,
26 office or other agency with the legislative mandate to
27 license and regulate the practice of psychology.

28 AA. "Telepsychology" means: the provision of psychological
29 services using telecommunication technologies.

30 BB. "Temporary Authorization to Practice" means: a licensed

1 psychologist's authority to conduct temporary in-person,
2 face-to-face practice, within the limits authorized under
3 this Compact, in another Compact State.

4 CC. "Temporary In-Person, Face-to-Face Practice" means:
5 where a psychologist is physically present (not through
6 the use of telecommunications technologies), in the
7 Distant State to provide for the practice of psychology
8 for 30 days within a calendar year and based on
9 notification to the Distant State.

10 ARTICLE III

11 HOME STATE LICENSURE

- 12 A. The Home State shall be a Compact State where a
13 psychologist is licensed to practice psychology.
- 14 B. A psychologist may hold one or more Compact State
15 licenses at a time. If the psychologist is licensed in
16 more than one Compact State, the Home State is the
17 Compact State where the psychologist is physically
18 present when the services are delivered as authorized by
19 the Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional
20 Telepsychology under the terms of this Compact.
- 21 C. Any Compact State may require a psychologist not
22 previously licensed in a Compact State to obtain and
23 retain a license to be authorized to practice in the
24 Compact State under circumstances not authorized by the
25 Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology
26 under the terms of this Compact.
- 27 D. Any Compact State may require a psychologist to obtain
28 and retain a license to be authorized to practice in a
29 Compact State under circumstances not authorized by
30 Temporary Authorization to Practice under the terms of

1 this Compact.

2 E. A Home State's license authorizes a psychologist to
3 practice in a Receiving State under the Authority to
4 Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology only if the
5 Compact State:

6 1. Currently requires the psychologist to hold an active
7 E.Passport;

8 2. Has a mechanism in place for receiving and
9 investigating complaints about licensed individuals;

10 3. Notifies the Commission, in compliance with the terms
11 herein, of any adverse action or significant
12 investigatory information regarding a licensed
13 individual;

14 4. Requires an Identity History Summary of all
15 applicants at initial licensure, including the use of
16 the results of fingerprints or other biometric data
17 checks compliant with the requirements of the Federal
18 Bureau of Investigation FBI, or other designee with
19 similar authority, no later than ten years after
20 activation of the Compact; and

21 5. Complies with the Bylaws and Rules of the Commission.

22 F. A Home State's license grants Temporary Authorization to
23 Practice to a psychologist in a Distant State only if the
24 Compact State:

25 1. Currently requires the psychologist to hold an active
26 IPC;

27 2. Has a mechanism in place for receiving and
28 investigating complaints about licensed individuals;

29 3. Notifies the Commission, in compliance with the terms
30 herein, of any adverse action or significant

1 investigatory information regarding a licensed
2 individual;

- 3 4. Requires an Identity History Summary of all
4 applicants at initial licensure, including the use
5 of the results of fingerprints or other biometric
6 data checks compliant with the requirements of the
7 Federal Bureau of Investigation FBI, or other
8 designee with similar authority, no later than ten
9 years after activation of the Compact; and
10 5. Complies with the Bylaws and Rules of the Commission.

11 ARTICLE IV

12 COMPACT PRIVILEGE TO PRACTICE TELEPSYCHOLOGY

- 13 A. Compact States shall recognize the right of a
14 psychologist, licensed in a Compact State in conformance
15 with Article III, to practice telepsychology in other
16 Compact States (Receiving States) in which the
17 psychologist is not licensed, under the Authority to
18 Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology as provided
19 in the Compact.
- 20 B. To exercise the Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional
21 Telepsychology under the terms and provisions of this
22 Compact, a psychologist licensed to practice in a Compact
23 State must:
- 24 1. Hold a graduate degree in psychology from an
25 institute of higher education that was, at the time
26 the degree was awarded:
- 27 a. Regionally accredited by an accrediting body
28 recognized by the U.S. Department of Education to
29 grant graduate degrees, or authorized by
30 Provincial Statute or Royal Charter to grant

1 doctoral degrees; or
2 b. A foreign college or university deemed to be
3 equivalent to 1(a) above by a foreign credential
4 evaluation service that is a member of the
5 National Association of Credential Evaluation
6 Services (NACES) or by a recognized foreign
7 credential evaluation service; and

8 2. Hold a graduate degree in psychology that meets the
9 following criteria:

10 a. The program, wherever it may be administratively
11 housed, must be clearly identified and labeled as
12 a psychology program. Such a program must specify
13 in pertinent institutional catalogues and
14 brochures its intent to educate and train
15 professional psychologists;

16 b. The psychology program must stand as a
17 recognizable, coherent, organizational entity
18 within the institution;

19 c. There must be a clear authority and primary
20 responsibility for the core and specialty areas
21 whether or not the program cuts across
22 administrative lines;

23 d. The program must consist of an integrated,
24 organized sequence of study;

25 e. There must be an identifiable psychology faculty
26 sufficient in size and breadth to carry out its
27 responsibilities;

28 f. The designated director of the program must be a
29 psychologist and a member of the core faculty;

30 g. The program must have an identifiable body of

- 1 students who are matriculated in that program for
2 a degree;
- 3 h. The program must include supervised practicum,
4 internship, or field training appropriate to the
5 practice of psychology;
- 6 i. The curriculum shall encompass a minimum of three
7 academic years of full-time graduate study for
8 doctoral degree and a minimum of one academic year
9 of full-time graduate study for master's degree;
- 10 j. The program includes an acceptable residency as
11 defined by the Rules of the Commission.
- 12 3. Possess a current, full and unrestricted license to
13 practice psychology in a Home State which is a
14 Compact State;
- 15 4. Have no history of adverse action that violate the
16 Rules of the Commission;
- 17 5. Have no criminal record history reported on an
18 Identity History Summary that violates the Rules of
19 the Commission;
- 20 6. Possess a current, active E.Passport;
- 21 7. Provide attestations in regard to areas of intended
22 practice, conformity with standards of practice,
23 competence in telepsychology technology; criminal
24 background; and knowledge and adherence to legal
25 requirements in the home and receiving states, and
26 provide a release of information to allow for primary
27 source verification in a manner specified by the
28 Commission; and
- 29 8. Meet other criteria as defined by the Rules of the
30 Commission.

1 C. The Home State maintains authority over the license of
2 any psychologist practicing into a Receiving State under
3 the Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional
4 Telepsychology.

5 D. A psychologist practicing into a Receiving State under
6 the Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional
7 Telepsychology will be subject to the Receiving State's
8 scope of practice. A Receiving State may, in accordance
9 with that state's due process law, limit or revoke a
10 psychologist's Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional
11 Telepsychology in the Receiving State and may take any
12 other necessary actions under the Receiving State's
13 applicable law to protect the health and safety of the
14 Receiving State's citizens. If a Receiving State takes
15 action, the state shall promptly notify the Home State
16 and the Commission.

17 E. If a psychologist's license in any Home State, another
18 Compact State, or any Authority to Practice
19 Interjurisdictional Telepsychology in any Receiving
20 State, is restricted, suspended or otherwise limited, the
21 E.Passport shall be revoked and therefore the
22 psychologist shall not be eligible to practice
23 telepsychology in a Compact State under the Authority to
24 Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology.

25 ARTICLE V

26 COMPACT TEMPORARY AUTHORIZATION TO PRACTICE

27 A. Compact States shall also recognize the right of a
28 psychologist, licensed in a Compact State in conformance
29 with Article III, to practice temporarily in other
30 Compact States (Distant States) in which the psychologist

1 is not licensed, as provided in the Compact.

2 B. To exercise the Temporary Authorization to Practice under
3 the terms and provisions of this Compact, a psychologist
4 licensed to practice in a Compact State must:

5 1. Hold a graduate degree in psychology from an
6 institute of higher education that was, at the time
7 the degree was awarded:

8 a. Regionally accredited by an accrediting body
9 recognized by the U.S. Department of Education to
10 grant graduate degrees, or authorized by
11 Provincial Statute or Royal Charter to grant
12 doctoral degrees; or

13 b. A foreign college or university deemed to be
14 equivalent to 1(a) above by a foreign credential
15 evaluation service that is a member of the
16 National Association of Credential Evaluation
17 Services (NACES) or by a recognized foreign
18 credential evaluation service; and

19 2. Hold a graduate degree in psychology that meets the
20 following criteria:

21 a. The program, wherever it may be administratively
22 housed, must be clearly identified and labeled as
23 a psychology program. Such a program must specify
24 in pertinent institutional catalogs and brochures
25 its intent to educate and train professional
26 psychologists;

27 b. The psychology program must stand as a
28 recognizable, coherent, organizational entity
29 within the institution;

30 c. There must be a clear authority and primary

1 responsibility for the core and specialty areas
2 whether or not the program cuts across
3 administrative lines;

- 4 d. The program must consist of an integrated,
5 organized sequence of study;
- 6 e. There must be an identifiable psychology faculty
7 sufficient in size and breadth to carry out its
8 responsibilities;
- 9 f. The designated director of the program must be a
10 psychologist and a member of the core faculty;
- 11 g. The program must have an identifiable body of
12 students who are matriculated in that program for
13 a degree;
- 14 h. The program must include supervised practicum,
15 internship, or field training appropriate to the
16 practice of psychology;
- 17 i. The curriculum shall encompass a minimum of three
18 academic years of full-time graduate study for
19 doctoral degrees and a minimum of one academic
20 year of full-time graduate study for master's
21 degree;
- 22 j. The program includes an acceptable residency as
23 defined by the Rules of the Commission.

24 3. Possess a current, full and unrestricted license to
25 practice psychology in a Home State which is a
26 Compact State;

27 4. No history of adverse action that violate the Rules
28 of the Commission;

29 5. No criminal record history that violates the Rules of
30 the Commission;

1 IN A RECEIVING STATE

2 A. A psychologist may practice in a Receiving State under
3 the Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional
4 Telepsychology only in the performance of the scope of
5 practice for psychology as assigned by an appropriate
6 State Psychology Regulatory Authority, as defined in the
7 Rules of the Commission, and under the following
8 circumstances:

- 9 1. The psychologist initiates a client/patient contact
10 in a Home State via telecommunications technologies
11 with a client/patient in a Receiving State;
12 2. Other conditions regarding telepsychology as
13 determined by Rules promulgated by the Commission.

14 ARTICLE VII

15 ADVERSE ACTIONS

16 A. A Home State shall have the power to impose adverse
17 action against a psychologist's license issued by the
18 Home State. A Distant State shall have the power to take
19 adverse action on a psychologist's Temporary
20 Authorization to Practice within that Distant State.

21 B. A Receiving State may take adverse action on a
22 psychologist's Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional
23 Telepsychology within that Receiving State. A Home State
24 may take adverse action against a psychologist based on
25 an adverse action taken by a Distant State regarding
26 temporary in-person, face-to-face practice.

27 C. If a Home State takes adverse action against a
28 psychologist's license, that psychologist's Authority to
29 Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology is terminated
30 and the E.Passport is revoked. Furthermore, that

1 psychologist's Temporary Authorization to Practice is
2 terminated and the IPC is revoked.

3 1. All Home State disciplinary orders which impose
4 adverse action shall be reported to the Commission in
5 accordance with the Rules promulgated by the
6 Commission. A Compact State shall report adverse
7 actions in accordance with the Rules of the
8 Commission.

9 2. In the event discipline is reported on a
10 psychologist, the psychologist will not be eligible
11 for telepsychology or temporary in-person, face-to-
12 face practice in accordance with the Rules of the
13 Commission.

14 3. Other actions may be imposed as determined by the
15 Rules promulgated by the Commission.

16 D. A Home State's Psychology Regulatory Authority shall
17 investigate and take appropriate action with respect to
18 reported inappropriate conduct engaged in by a licensee
19 which occurred in a Receiving State as it would if such
20 conduct had occurred by a licensee within the Home State.
21 In such cases, the Home State's law shall control in
22 determining any adverse action against a psychologist's
23 license.

24 E. A Distant State's Psychology Regulatory Authority shall
25 investigate and take appropriate action with respect to
26 reported inappropriate conduct engaged in by a
27 psychologist practicing under Temporary Authorization
28 Practice which occurred in that Distant State as it would
29 if such conduct had occurred by a licensee within the
30 Home State. In such cases, Distant State's law shall

1 control in determining any adverse action against a
2 psychologist's Temporary Authorization to Practice.

3 F. Nothing in this Compact shall override a Compact State's
4 decision that a psychologist's participation in an
5 alternative program may be used in lieu of adverse action
6 and that such participation shall remain non-public if
7 required by the Compact State's law. Compact States must
8 require psychologists who enter any alternative programs
9 to not provide telepsychology services under the
10 Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology
11 or provide temporary psychological services under the
12 Temporary Authorization to Practice in any other Compact
13 State during the term of the alternative program.

14 G. No other judicial or administrative remedies shall be
15 available to a psychologist in the event a Compact State
16 imposes an adverse action pursuant to subsection C,
17 above.

18 ARTICLE VIII

19 ADDITIONAL AUTHORITIES INVESTED

20 IN A COMPACT STATE'S PSYCHOLOGY

21 REGULATORY AUTHORITY

22 A. In addition to any other powers granted under state law,
23 a Compact State's Psychology Regulatory Authority shall
24 have the authority under this Compact to:

- 25 1. Issue subpoenas, for both hearings and
26 investigations, which require the attendance and
27 testimony of witnesses and the production of
28 evidence. Subpoenas issued by a Compact State's
29 Psychology Regulatory Authority for the attendance
30 and testimony of witnesses, and/or the production of

1 evidence from another Compact State shall be enforced
2 in the latter state by any court of competent
3 jurisdiction, according to that court's practice and
4 procedure in considering subpoenas issued in its own
5 proceedings. The issuing State Psychology Regulatory
6 Authority shall pay any witness fees, travel
7 expenses, mileage and other fees required by the
8 service statutes of the state where the witnesses
9 and/or evidence are located; and

10 2. Issue cease and desist and/or injunctive relief
11 orders to revoke a psychologist's Authority to
12 Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology and/or
13 Temporary Authorization to Practice.

14 3. During the course of any investigation, a
15 psychologist may not change his/her Home State
16 licensure. A Home State Psychology Regulatory
17 Authority is authorized to complete any pending
18 investigations of a psychologist and to take any
19 actions appropriate under its law. The Home State
20 Psychology Regulatory Authority shall promptly report
21 the conclusions of such investigations to the
22 Commission. Once an investigation has been completed,
23 and pending the outcome of said investigation, the
24 psychologist may change his/her Home State licensure.
25 The Commission shall promptly notify the new Home
26 State of any such decisions as provided in the Rules
27 of the Commission. All information provided to the
28 Commission or distributed by Compact States pursuant
29 to the psychologist shall be confidential, filed
30 under seal and used for investigatory or disciplinary

1 matters. The Commission may create additional rules
2 for mandated or discretionary sharing of information
3 by Compact States.

4 ARTICLE IX

5 COORDINATED LICENSURE INFORMATION SYSTEM

6 A. The Commission shall provide for the development and
7 maintenance of a Coordinated Licensure Information System
8 (Coordinated Database) and reporting system containing
9 licensure and disciplinary action information on all
10 psychologists individuals to whom this Compact is
11 applicable in all Compact States as defined by the Rules
12 of the Commission.

13 B. Notwithstanding any other provision of state law to the
14 contrary, a Compact State shall submit a uniform data set
15 to the Coordinated Database on all licensees as required
16 by the Rules of the Commission, including:

- 17 1. Identifying information;
- 18 2. Licensure data;
- 19 3. Significant investigatory information;
- 20 4. Adverse actions against a psychologist's license;
- 21 5. An indicator that a psychologist's Authority to
22 Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology and/or
23 Temporary Authorization to Practice is revoked;
- 24 6. Non-confidential information related to alternative
25 program participation information;
- 26 7. Any denial of application for licensure, and the
27 reasons for such denial; and
- 28 8. Other information which may facilitate the
29 administration of this Compact, as determined by the
30 Rules of the Commission.

- 1 C. The Coordinated Database administrator shall promptly
2 notify all Compact States of any adverse action taken
3 against, or significant investigative information on, any
4 licensee in a Compact State.
- 5 D. Compact States reporting information to the Coordinated
6 Database may designate information that may not be shared
7 with the public without the express permission of the
8 Compact State reporting the information.
- 9 E. Any information submitted to the Coordinated Database
10 that is subsequently required to be expunged by the law
11 of the Compact State reporting the information shall be
12 removed from the Coordinated Database.

13 ARTICLE X

14 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PSYCHOLOGY

15 INTERJURISDICTIONAL COMPACT COMMISSION

- 16 A. The Compact States hereby create and establish a joint
17 public agency known as the Psychology Interjurisdictional
18 Compact Commission.
- 19 1. The Commission is a body politic and an
20 instrumentality of the Compact States.
- 21 2. Venue is proper and judicial proceedings by or
22 against the Commission shall be brought solely and
23 exclusively in a court of competent jurisdiction
24 where the principal office of the Commission is
25 located. The Commission may waive venue and
26 jurisdictional defenses to the extent it adopts or
27 consents to participate in alternative dispute
28 resolution proceedings.
- 29 3. Nothing in this Compact shall be construed to be a
30 waiver of sovereign immunity.

1 B. Membership, Voting, and Meetings

2 1. The Commission shall consist of one voting
3 representative appointed by each Compact State who
4 shall serve as that state's Commissioner. The State
5 Psychology Regulatory Authority shall appoint its
6 delegate. This delegate shall be empowered to act on
7 behalf of the Compact State. This delegate shall be
8 limited to:

- 9 a. Executive Director, Executive Secretary or
10 similar executive;
11 b. Current member of the State Psychology Regulatory
12 Authority of a Compact State; or
13 c. Designee empowered with the appropriate delegate
14 authority to act on behalf of the Compact State.

15 2. Any Commissioner may be removed or suspended from
16 office as provided by the law of the state from which
17 the Commissioner is appointed. Any vacancy occurring
18 in the Commission shall be filled in accordance with
19 the laws of the Compact State in which the vacancy
20 exists.

21 3. Each Commissioner shall be entitled to one (1) vote
22 with regard to the promulgation of Rules and creation
23 of Bylaws and shall otherwise have an opportunity to
24 participate in the business and affairs of the
25 Commission. A Commissioner shall vote in person or by
26 such other means as provided in the Bylaws. The
27 Bylaws may provide for Commissioners' participation
28 in meetings by telephone or other means of
29 communication.

30 4. The Commission shall meet at least once during each

1 calendar year. Additional meetings shall be held as
2 set forth in the Bylaws.

3 5. All meetings shall be open to the public, and public
4 notice of meetings shall be given in the same manner
5 as required under the rulemaking provisions in
6 Article XI.

7 6. The Commission may convene in a closed, non-public
8 meeting if the Commission must discuss:

- 9 a. Non-compliance of a Compact State with its
10 obligations under the Compact;
- 11 b. The employment, compensation, discipline or other
12 personnel matters, practices or procedures related
13 to specific employees or other matters related to
14 the Commission's internal personnel practices and
15 procedures;
- 16 c. Current, threatened, or reasonably anticipated
17 litigation against the Commission;
- 18 d. Negotiation of contracts for the purchase or sale
19 of goods, services or real estate;
- 20 e. Accusation against any person of a crime or
21 formally censuring any person;
- 22 f. Disclosure of trade secrets or commercial or
23 financial information which is privileged or
24 confidential;
- 25 g. Disclosure of information of a personal nature
26 where disclosure would constitute a clearly
27 unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- 28 h. Disclosure of investigatory records compiled for
29 law enforcement purposes;
- 30 i. Disclosure of information related to any

1 investigatory reports prepared by or on behalf of
2 or for use of the Commission or other committee
3 charged with responsibility for investigation or
4 determination of compliance issues pursuant to the
5 Compact; or

6 j. Matters specifically exempted from disclosure by
7 federal and state statute.

8 7. If a meeting, or portion of a meeting, is closed
9 pursuant to this provision, the Commission's legal
10 counsel or designee shall certify that the meeting
11 may be closed and shall reference each relevant
12 exempting provision. The Commission shall keep
13 minutes which fully and clearly describe all matters
14 discussed in a meeting and shall provide a full and
15 accurate summary of actions taken, of any person
16 participating in the meeting, and the reasons
17 therefore, including a description of the views
18 expressed. All documents considered in connection
19 with an action shall be identified in such minutes.
20 All minutes and documents of a closed meeting shall
21 remain under seal, subject to release only by a
22 majority vote of the Commission or order of a court
23 of competent jurisdiction.

24 C. The Commission shall, by a majority vote of the
25 Commissioners, prescribe Bylaws and/or Rules to govern
26 its conduct as may be necessary or appropriate to carry
27 out the purposes and exercise the powers of the Compact,
28 including but not limited to:

- 29 1. Establishing the fiscal year of the Commission;
- 30 2. Providing reasonable standards and procedures:

- a. for the establishment and meetings of other committees; and
- b. governing any general or specific delegation of any authority or function of the Commission;

3. Providing reasonable procedures for calling and conducting meetings of the Commission, ensuring reasonable advance notice of all meetings and providing an opportunity for attendance of such meetings by interested parties, with enumerated exceptions designed to protect the public's interest, the privacy of individuals of such proceedings, and proprietary information, including trade secrets. The Commission may meet in closed session only after a majority of the Commissioners vote to close a meeting to the public in whole or in part. As soon as practicable, the Commission must make public a copy of the vote to close the meeting revealing the vote of each Commissioner with no proxy votes allowed;
4. Establishing the titles, duties and authority and reasonable procedures for the election of the officers of the Commission;
5. Providing reasonable standards and procedures for the establishment of the personnel policies and programs of the Commission. Notwithstanding any civil service or other similar law of any Compact State, the Bylaws shall exclusively govern the personnel policies and programs of the Commission;
6. Promulgating a Code of Ethics to address permissible and prohibited activities of Commission members and employees;

- 1 7. Providing a mechanism for concluding the operations
2 of the Commission and the equitable disposition of
3 any surplus funds that may exist after the
4 termination of the Compact after the payment and/or
5 reserving of all of its debts and obligations;
- 6 8. The Commission shall publish its Bylaws in a
7 convenient form and file a copy thereof and a copy of
8 any amendment thereto, with the appropriate agency or
9 officer in each of the Compact States;
- 10 9. The Commission shall maintain its financial records
11 in accordance with the Bylaws; and
- 12 10. The Commission shall meet and take such actions as
13 are consistent with the provisions of this Compact
14 and the Bylaws.
- 15 D. The Commission shall have the following powers:
 - 16 1. The authority to promulgate uniform rules to
17 facilitate and coordinate implementation and
18 administration of this Compact. The rule shall have
19 the force and effect of law and shall be binding in
20 all Compact States;
 - 21 2. To bring and prosecute legal proceedings or actions
22 in the name of the Commission, provided that the
23 standing of any State Psychology Regulatory Authority
24 or other regulatory body responsible for psychology
25 licensure to sue or be sued under applicable law
26 shall not be affected;
 - 27 3. To purchase and maintain insurance and bonds;
 - 28 4. To borrow, accept or contract for services of
29 personnel, including, but not limited to, employees
30 of a Compact State;

- 1 5. To hire employees, elect or appoint officers, fix
2 compensation, define duties, grant such individuals
3 appropriate authority to carry out the purposes of
4 the Compact, and to establish the Commission's
5 personnel policies and programs relating to conflicts
6 of interest, qualifications of personnel, and other
7 related personnel matters;
- 8 6. To accept any and all appropriate donations and
9 grants of money, equipment, supplies, materials and
10 services, and to receive, utilize and dispose of the
11 same; provided that at all times the Commission shall
12 strive to avoid any appearance of impropriety and/or
13 conflict of interest;
- 14 7. To lease, purchase, accept appropriate gifts or
15 donations of, or otherwise to own, hold, improve or
16 use, any property, real, personal or mixed; provided
17 that at all times the Commission shall strive to
18 avoid any appearance of impropriety;
- 19 8. To sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange,
20 abandon or otherwise dispose of any property real,
21 personal or mixed;
- 22 9. To establish a budget and make expenditures;
- 23 10. To borrow money;
- 24 11. To appoint committees, including advisory committees
25 comprised of Members, State regulators, State
26 legislators or their representatives, and consumer
27 representatives, and such other interested persons as
28 may be designated in this Compact and the Bylaws;
- 29 12. To provide and receive information from, and to
30 cooperate with, law enforcement agencies;

- 1 13. To adopt and use an official seal; and
2 14. To perform such other functions as may be necessary
3 or appropriate to achieve the purposes of this
4 Compact consistent with the state regulation of
5 psychology licensure, temporary in-person, face-to-
6 face practice and telepsychology practice.

7 E. The Executive Board

8 The elected officers shall serve as the Executive Board,
9 which shall have the power to act on behalf of the
10 Commission according to the terms of this Compact.

11 1. The Executive Board shall be comprised of six
12 members:

13 a. Five voting members who are elected from the
14 current membership of the Commission by the
15 Commission;

16 b. One ex-officio, nonvoting member from the
17 recognized membership organization composed of
18 State and Provincial Psychology Regulatory
19 Authorities.

20 2. The ex-officio member must have served as staff or
21 member on a State Psychology Regulatory Authority and
22 will be selected by its respective organization.

23 3. The Commission may remove any member of the Executive
24 Board as provided in Bylaws.

25 4. The Executive Board shall meet at least annually.

26 5. The Executive Board shall have the following duties
27 and responsibilities:

28 a. Recommend to the entire Commission changes to the
29 Rules or Bylaws, changes to this Compact
30 legislation, fees paid by Compact States such as

- 1 annual dues, and any other applicable fees;
- 2 b. Ensure Compact administration services are
- 3 appropriately provided, contractual or otherwise;
- 4 c. Prepare and recommend the budget;
- 5 d. Maintain financial records on behalf of the
- 6 Commission;
- 7 e. Monitor Compact compliance of member states and
- 8 provide compliance reports to the Commission;
- 9 f. Establish additional committees as necessary; and
- 10 g. Other duties as provided in Rules or Bylaws.

11 F. Financing of the Commission

- 12 1. The Commission shall pay, or provide for the payment
- 13 of the reasonable expenses of its establishment,
- 14 organization and ongoing activities.
- 15 2. The Commission may accept any and all appropriate
- 16 revenue sources, donations and grants of money,
- 17 equipment, supplies, materials and services.
- 18 3. The Commission may levy on and collect an annual
- 19 assessment from each Compact State or impose fees on
- 20 other parties to cover the cost of the operations and
- 21 activities of the Commission and its staff which must
- 22 be in a total amount sufficient to cover its annual
- 23 budget as approved each year for which revenue is not
- 24 provided by other sources. The aggregate annual
- 25 assessment amount shall be allocated based upon a
- 26 formula to be determined by the Commission which
- 27 shall promulgate a rule binding upon all Compact
- 28 States.
- 29 4. The Commission shall not incur obligations of any
- 30 kind prior to securing the funds adequate to meet the

1 same; nor shall the Commission pledge the credit of
2 any of the Compact States, except by and with the
3 authority of the Compact State.

- 4 5. The Commission shall keep accurate accounts of all
5 receipts and disbursements. The receipts and
6 disbursements of the Commission shall be subject to
7 the audit and accounting procedures established under
8 its Bylaws. However, all receipts and disbursements
9 of funds handled by the Commission shall be audited
10 yearly by a certified or licensed public accountant
11 and the report of the audit shall be included in and
12 become part of the annual report of the Commission.

13 G. Qualified Immunity, Defense, and Indemnification

- 14 1. The members, officers, Executive Director, employees
15 and representatives of the Commission shall be immune
16 from suit and liability, either personally or in
17 their official capacity, for any claim for damage to
18 or loss of property or personal injury or other civil
19 liability caused by or arising out of any actual or
20 alleged act, error or omission that occurred, or that
21 the person against whom the claim is made had a
22 reasonable basis for believing occurred within the
23 scope of Commission employment, duties or
24 responsibilities; provided that nothing in this
25 paragraph shall be construed to protect any such
26 person from suit and/or liability for any damage,
27 loss, injury or liability caused by the intentional
28 or willful or wanton misconduct of that person.

- 29 2. The Commission shall defend any member, officer,
30 Executive Director, employee or representative of the

1 Commission in any civil action seeking to impose
2 liability arising out of any actual or alleged act,
3 error or omission that occurred within the scope of
4 Commission employment, duties or responsibilities, or
5 that the person against whom the claim is made had a
6 reasonable basis for believing occurred within the
7 scope of Commission employment, duties or
8 responsibilities; provided that nothing herein shall
9 be construed to prohibit that person from retaining
10 his or her own counsel; and provided further, that
11 the actual or alleged act, error or omission did not
12 result from that person's intentional or willful or
13 wanton misconduct.

- 14 3. The Commission shall indemnify and hold harmless any
15 member, officer, Executive Director, employee or
16 representative of the Commission for the amount of
17 any settlement or judgment obtained against that
18 person arising out of any actual or alleged act,
19 error or omission that occurred within the scope of
20 Commission employment, duties or responsibilities, or
21 that such person had a reasonable basis for believing
22 occurred within the scope of Commission employment,
23 duties or responsibilities, provided that the actual
24 or alleged act, error or omission did not result from
25 the intentional or willful or wanton misconduct of
26 that person.

27 ARTICLE XI

28 RULEMAKING

- 29 A. The Commission shall exercise its rulemaking powers
30 pursuant to the criteria set forth in this Article and

1 the Rules adopted thereunder. Rules and amendments shall
2 become binding as of the date specified in each rule or
3 amendment.

4 B. If a majority of the legislatures of the Compact States
5 rejects a rule, by enactment of a statute or resolution
6 in the same manner used to adopt the Compact, then such
7 rule shall have no further force and effect in any
8 Compact State.

9 C. Rules or amendments to the rules shall be adopted at a
10 regular or special meeting of the Commission.

11 D. Prior to promulgation and adoption of a final rule or
12 Rules by the Commission, and at least sixty (60) days in
13 advance of the meeting at which the rule will be
14 considered and voted upon, the Commission shall file a
15 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking:

- 16 1. On the website of the Commission; and
- 17 2. On the website of each Compact States' Psychology
18 Regulatory Authority or the publication in which each
19 state would otherwise publish proposed rules.

20 E. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking shall include:

- 21 1. The proposed time, date, and location of the meeting
22 in which the rule will be considered and voted upon;
- 23 2. The text of the proposed rule or amendment and the
24 reason for the proposed rule;
- 25 3. A request for comments on the proposed rule from any
26 interested person; and
- 27 4. The manner in which interested persons may submit
28 notice to the Commission of their intention to attend
29 the public hearing and any written comments.

30 F. Prior to adoption of a proposed rule, the Commission

1 shall allow persons to submit written data, facts,
2 opinions and arguments, which shall be made available to
3 the public.

4 G. The Commission shall grant an opportunity for a public
5 hearing before it adopts a rule or amendment if a hearing
6 is requested by:

7 1. At least twenty-five (25) persons who submit comments
8 independently of each other;

9 2. A governmental subdivision or agency; or

10 3. A duly appointed person in an association that has
11 having at least twenty-five (25) members.

12 H. If a hearing is held on the proposed rule or amendment,
13 the Commission shall publish the place, time, and date of
14 the scheduled public hearing.

15 1. All persons wishing to be heard at the hearing shall
16 notify the Executive Director of the Commission or
17 other designated member in writing of their desire to
18 appear and testify at the hearing not less than five
19 (5) business days before the scheduled date of the
20 hearing.

21 2. Hearings shall be conducted in a manner providing
22 each person who wishes to comment a fair and
23 reasonable opportunity to comment orally or in
24 writing.

25 3. No transcript of the hearing is required, unless a
26 written request for a transcript is made, in which
27 case the person requesting the transcript shall bear
28 the cost of producing the transcript. A recording may
29 be made in lieu of a transcript under the same terms
30 and conditions as a transcript. This subsection

1 shall not preclude the Commission from making a
2 transcript or recording of the hearing if it so
3 chooses.

4 4. Nothing in this section shall be construed as
5 requiring a separate hearing on each rule. Rules may
6 be grouped for the convenience of the Commission at
7 hearings required by this section.

8 I. Following the scheduled hearing date, or by the close of
9 business on the scheduled hearing date if the hearing was
10 not held, the Commission shall consider all written and
11 oral comments received.

12 J. The Commission shall, by majority vote of all members,
13 take final action on the proposed rule and shall
14 determine the effective date of the rule, if any, based
15 on the rulemaking record and the full text of the rule.

16 K. If no written notice of intent to attend the public
17 hearing by interested parties is received, the Commission
18 may proceed with promulgation of the proposed rule
19 without a public hearing.

20 L. Upon determination that an emergency exists, the
21 Commission may consider and adopt an emergency rule
22 without prior notice, opportunity for comment, or
23 hearing, provided that the usual rulemaking procedures
24 provided in the Compact and in this section shall be
25 retroactively applied to the rule as soon as reasonably
26 possible, in no event later than ninety (90) days after
27 the effective date of the rule. For the purposes of this
28 provision, an emergency rule is one that must be adopted
29 immediately in order to:

30 1. Meet an imminent threat to public health, safety, or

- 1 welfare;
- 2 2. Prevent a loss of Commission or Compact State funds;
- 3 3. Meet a deadline for the promulgation of an
- 4 administrative rule that is established by federal
- 5 law or rule; or
- 6 4. Protect public health and safety.
- 7 M. The Commission or an authorized committee of the
- 8 Commission may direct revisions to a previously adopted
- 9 rule or amendment for purposes of correcting
- 10 typographical errors, errors in format, errors in
- 11 consistency, or grammatical errors. Public notice of any
- 12 revisions shall be posted on the website of the
- 13 Commission. The revision shall be subject to challenge by
- 14 any person for a period of thirty (30) days after
- 15 posting. The revision may be challenged only on grounds
- 16 that the revision results in a material change to a rule.
- 17 A challenge shall be made in writing, and delivered to
- 18 the Chair of the Commission prior to the end of the
- 19 notice period. If no challenge is made, the revision will
- 20 take effect without further action. If the revision is
- 21 challenged, the revision may not take effect without the
- 22 approval of the Commission.

23 ARTICLE XII

24 OVERSIGHT, DISPUTE RESOLUTION AND ENFORCEMENT

25 A. Oversight

- 26 1. The Executive, Legislative and Judicial branches of
- 27 state government in each Compact State shall enforce
- 28 this Compact and take all actions necessary and
- 29 appropriate to effectuate the Compact's purposes and
- 30 intent. The provisions of this Compact and the rules

1 promulgated hereunder shall have standing as
2 statutory law.

3 2. All courts shall take judicial notice of the Compact
4 and the rules in any judicial or administrative
5 proceeding in a Compact State pertaining to the
6 subject matter of this Compact which may affect the
7 powers, responsibilities or actions of the
8 Commission.

9 3. The Commission shall be entitled to receive service
10 of process in any such proceeding, and shall have
11 standing to intervene in such a proceeding for all
12 purposes. Failure to provide service of process to
13 the Commission shall render a judgment or order void
14 as to the Commission, this Compact or promulgated
15 rules.

16 B. Default, Technical Assistance, and Termination

17 1. If the Commission determines that a Compact State has
18 defaulted in the performance of its obligations or
19 responsibilities under this Compact or the
20 promulgated rules, the Commission shall:

21 a. Provide written notice to the defaulting state
22 and other Compact States of the nature of the
23 default, the proposed means of remedying the
24 default and/or any other action to be taken by the
25 Commission; and

26 b. Provide remedial training and specific technical
27 assistance regarding the default.

28 2. If a state in default fails to remedy the default,
29 the defaulting state may be terminated from the
30 Compact upon an affirmative vote of a majority of the

1 Compact States, and all rights, privileges and
2 benefits conferred by this Compact shall be
3 terminated on the effective date of termination. A
4 remedy of the default does not relieve the offending
5 state of obligations or liabilities incurred during
6 the period of default.

7 3. Termination of membership in the Compact shall be
8 imposed only after all other means of securing
9 compliance have been exhausted. Notice of intent to
10 suspend or terminate shall be submitted by the
11 Commission to the Governor, the majority and minority
12 leaders of the defaulting state's legislature, and
13 each of the Compact States.

14 4. A Compact State which has been terminated is
15 responsible for all assessments, obligations and
16 liabilities incurred through the effective date of
17 termination, including obligations which extend
18 beyond the effective date of termination.

19 5. The Commission shall not bear any costs incurred by
20 the state which is found to be in default or which
21 has been terminated from the Compact, unless agreed
22 upon in writing between the Commission and the
23 defaulting state.

24 6. The defaulting state may appeal the action of the
25 Commission by petitioning the United States District
26 Court for the State of Georgia or the federal
27 district where the Compact has its principal offices.
28 The prevailing member shall be awarded all costs of
29 such litigation, including reasonable attorney's
30 fees.

1 C. Dispute Resolution

2 1. Upon request by a Compact State, the Commission shall
3 attempt to resolve disputes related to the Compact
4 which arise among Compact States and between Compact
5 and Non-Compact States.

6 2. The Commission shall promulgate a rule providing for
7 both mediation and binding dispute resolution for
8 disputes that arise before the commission.

9 D. Enforcement

10 1. The Commission, in the reasonable exercise of its
11 discretion, shall enforce the provisions and Rules of
12 this Compact.

13 2. By majority vote, the Commission may initiate legal
14 action in the United States District Court for the
15 State of Georgia or the federal district where the
16 Compact has its principal offices against a Compact
17 State in default to enforce compliance with the
18 provisions of the Compact and its promulgated Rules
19 and Bylaws. The relief sought may include both
20 injunctive relief and damages. In the event judicial
21 enforcement is necessary, the prevailing member shall
22 be awarded all costs of such litigation, including
23 reasonable attorney's fees.

24 3. The remedies herein shall not be the exclusive
25 remedies of the Commission. The Commission may pursue
26 any other remedies available under federal or state
27 law.

28 ARTICLE XIII

29 DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PSYCHOLOGY
30 INTERJURISDICTIONAL COMPACT COMMISSION AND

1 ASSOCIATED RULES, WITHDRAWAL, AND AMENDMENTS

2 A. The Compact shall come into effect on the date on which
3 the Compact is enacted into law in the seventh Compact
4 State. The provisions which become effective at that time
5 shall be limited to the powers granted to the Commission
6 relating to assembly and the promulgation of rules.
7 Thereafter, the Commission shall meet and exercise
8 rulemaking powers necessary to the implementation and
9 administration of the Compact.

10 B. Any state which joins the Compact subsequent to the
11 Commission's initial adoption of the rules shall be
12 subject to the rules as they exist on the date on which
13 the Compact becomes law in that state. Any rule which has
14 been previously adopted by the Commission shall have the
15 full force and effect of law on the day the Compact
16 becomes law in that state.

17 C. Any Compact State may withdraw from this Compact by
18 enacting a statute repealing the same.

19 1. A Compact State's withdrawal shall not take effect
20 until six (6) months after enactment of the repealing
21 statute.

22 2. Withdrawal shall not affect the continuing
23 requirement of the withdrawing State's Psychology
24 Regulatory Authority to comply with the investigative
25 and adverse action reporting requirements of this act
26 prior to the effective date of withdrawal.

27 D. Nothing contained in this Compact shall be construed to
28 invalidate or prevent any psychology licensure agreement
29 or other cooperative arrangement between a Compact State
30 and a Non-Compact State which does not conflict with the

1 provisions of this Compact.

2 E. This Compact may be amended by the Compact States. No
3 amendment to this Compact shall become effective and
4 binding upon any Compact State until it is enacted into
5 the law of all Compact States.

6 ARTICLE XIV

7 CONSTRUCTION AND SEVERABILITY

8 This Compact shall be liberally construed so as to effectuate
9 the purposes thereof. If this Compact shall be held contrary to
10 the constitution of any state member thereto, the Compact shall
11 remain in full force and effect as to the remaining Compact
12 States.

13 Section 3. When and how compact becomes operative.

14 (a) General rule.--When the Governor executes the compact on
15 behalf of this State and files a verified copy thereof with the
16 Secretary of the Commonwealth and when the compact is ratified
17 by one or more other states, then the compact shall become
18 operative and effective between this State and such other state
19 or states. The Governor is hereby authorized and directed to
20 take such action as may be necessary to complete the exchange of
21 official documents between this State and any other state
22 ratifying the compact.

23 (b) Notice in Pennsylvania Bulletin.--The Secretary of the
24 Commonwealth shall publish a notice in the Pennsylvania Bulletin
25 when the conditions specified in subsection (a) are satisfied
26 and shall include in the notice the date on which the compact
27 became effective and operative between this State and any other
28 state or states in accordance with this act.

29 Section 4. Compensation and expenses of compact administrator.

30 The compact administrator who represents this State, as

1 provided in the compact, shall not be entitled to any additional
2 compensation his duties and responsibilities as compact
3 administrator but shall be entitled to reimbursement for
4 reasonable expenses actually incurred in connection with his
5 duties and responsibilities as compact administrator in the same
6 manner as for expenses incurred in connection with other duties
7 and responsibilities of his office or employment.

8 Section 5. Effective date.

9 This act shall take effect in 60 days.