

**BILL SUMMARY**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 59<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB 3781</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>Introduced</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	<b>8711</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Minimal</b>

**Research Analysis**

House Bill 3781, as introduced, incorporates Oklahoma into the Physician Assistants (PA) Licensure Compact. States joining the compact agree to recognize a valid, unencumbered license issued by another compact member state via a compact privilege. Licensed PAs utilizing the compact can obtain a privilege in each compact member state where they want to practice. PAs using a compact privilege to practice in another state must adhere to laws and regulations of practice in that state and are under the jurisdiction of the state's regulatory board in which they are practicing.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

HB 3781 creates the Physician Assistant (PA) Licensure Compact, which is an interstate professional licensing compact allowing PAs to provide medical services in other participating states without requiring additional state licensure. Each participating state's licensing board appoints one delegate to serve on the PA Licensure Compact Commission, which serves as a joint government agency to carry out administrative duties. Participating states must utilize the Compact Commission's data system and have mechanisms in place for receiving and investigating complaints against licensees and applicants. This measure does allow participating states to charge a fee for granting the compact privilege.

The Commission is responsible for expenses incurred to establish the compact and for ongoing activities. However, this measure allows the Commission to collect an annual assessment from each participating state and the authority to impose compact privilege fees on licensees to cover the Commission's operations and its staff.

The fiscal implications of this measure rely on whether the Commission collects an annual assessment from participating states and if the state of Oklahoma charges licensees and applicants a fee for providing the compact privilege. Thus, the fiscal impact on the state budget is assumed to be minimal or neutral, as the state can transfer any related fee onto the licensee.

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**Other Considerations**

None.

