



June 12, 2019

The Honorable J.B. Pritzker
Governor, State of Illinois
Office of the Governor
207 State House
Springfield, Illinois 62706

Dear Governor Pritzker:

On behalf of the physician members of the Illinois State Medical Society (ISMS), I respectfully urge you to sign Senate Bill 1221 into law. SB 1221 extends the Illinois Medical Practice Act (the Act) until January 1, 2022.

The Act is an essential state law that governs how chiropractors and physicians licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches practice. The Act establishes important qualifications necessary for licensure, and grounds for investigation and discipline.

Without it, any person – regardless of qualification – could practice medicine in Illinois without restriction or penalty.

Finally, the bill makes several technical changes brought by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation and agreed to by the Illinois State Medical Society. There is no opposition to Senate Bill 1221 and it passed both chambers unanimously.

On behalf of the physicians of Illinois, ISMS respectfully asks you to sign Senate Bill 1221 into law. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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