

**North Dakota Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Board  
January 25, 2019  
Special Board Meeting  
Conference Call  
Minutes**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Shirley Porter, at 12:00 pm.

**Present**

Board Members – Shirley Porter, Dr. Ted Fogarty, Dr. Roxanne Keene, Tara Wagner, Brent Colby, Cynthia Milkey, and Donna Newman.

Others - Jacinda Simmons, Board Staff; Allyson Hicks, Legal Counsel.

***{Kathleen Jalbert and Mary Rennich absent}***

**License Application Update**

**Anwar McElhane**y – An email was sent from the Board office followed by a letter from Legal Counsel requesting more information. The Board hasn't received a response yet. A follow up email will be sent reminding of the requested information and upcoming Board meeting.

**Legislative Update**

**HB1253** – Bill proposes that convictions can be reviewed before an application has been received. Hearing had opposition from Boards because it would be disclosed by the applicant not by a background check and Board could only consider convictions within last 3 years.

**HB1523** – Bill concerns Board's operating funds and caps how much money Boards can have at \$250,000. There is opposition among the Boards because they do not receive general funds and concerns about having enough money for future litigation.

**SB2126 & SB2127** – Bill proposes faster methods to get licensed for foreign practitioners and military dependents. Huge opposition from Boards as there is a concern about public safety.

**SB2306** – This is a watered-down version of SB2126 and SB2127 and has reciprocity requirements. Board must ask if applicant is a military spouse.

**SB2353** – This bill majorly affects Boards. It calls for streamlining Boards regarding appointments, renewal, continuing education, disciplinary actions, and calls for a study of Boards.

***{Wagner absent}***

**HB1175** – This bill allows physician assistants (PAs) to perform and interpret medical imaging tests. The Board feels that PAs do not have the education or training to perform the tests and doing so would put public safety at risk.

**A motion was made** to have Legal Counsel draft an amendment to bill so that medical imaging and radiation therapy is not part of the exams PAs can perform. (Newman/Dr. Fogarty/carried) [Jalbert, Wagner, and Rennich absent] [Roll Call Vote – Porter (y), Dr. Fogarty (y), Colby (y), Milkey (y), Newman (y), Dr. Keene (y)] **[Bd. Office]**

**Adjourn**

12:43 pm

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Shirley Porter  
President**

**Jacinda Simmons  
Administrative Assistant**