

SENATE BILL 743:

The Disaster Recovery Act of 2024 - Part II, Sec. 4B.3:

Temporary Flexibility for Quality Improvement Plans

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Analysis of: Sec. 4B.3 of S.L. 2024-53
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OVERVIEW: Section 4B.3 of S.L. 2024-53 waives enforcement by the North Carolina Medical Board and the North Carolina Board of Nursing of the annual review rules and the quality improvement plan rules for collaborative practice agreements for physician assistants or nurse practitioners residing in or employed in the affected area.

The North Carolina Medical Board and the North Carolina Board of Nursing cannot enforce the rules requiring any individual to fill out an application or pay a fee if (i) the individual is providing volunteer health care services in the affected area to assist with disaster recovery and relief efforts within the scope of his or her license, or (ii) the physician assistant or nurse practitioner resides in or is employed in the affected area.

A physician assistant or nurse practitioner holding an approval to practice or a license that has been surrendered or currently suspended does not qualify for waivers under this section.

This section became law on October 25, 2024, and expires when the statewide declaration of emergency issued by the Governor in Executive Order No. 315, concurred to by the Council of State and as extended pursuant to S.L. 2024-51 and any other enactment of a general law, expires.