

BILL SUMMARY
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Research Analysis

HB 2968 creates the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact. The goal of the compact is to allow providers licensed in a member state to practice across state lines. The measure sets out that the requirements for participating providers, including meeting their member state's licensure requirements and minimum educational standards. When providing care to a client, the provider must comply with the practice laws of the client's home state. Remote states are authorized to take actions against participating providers. Member states may charge a fee for participation in the interstate compact. The measure also creates the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Compact Commission and authorizes the Commission to establish rules and bylaws for participating states, create a database on providers' licensure status, and provide dispute resolution for member states. The measure also sets out application procedures for active military personnel and providers moving states. Once ten states have adopted the interstate compact into their statutes, the compact will go into effect.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2968 as written has measureable costs anticipated to the state.

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Other Considerations

None.