

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 399

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHENEVERT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:4.1(B)(24) and to enact R.S. 37:3085(7), 3086(C)(5), and Part II of Chapter 41 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 37:3095.1, relative to the Dietitian Licensure Compact; to provide for the powers and duties of the Louisiana State Board of Examiners in Dietetics and Nutrition; to provide for the qualifications of dietitians; to establish the purpose of the compact; to identify objectives of the compact; to provide for definitions; to establish procedures for the issuance of a compact privilege; to establish the Dietitian Licensure Compact Commission; to provide for member state licensing authority; to establish provisions for military families; to establish authority for certain entities to take adverse action; to require the usage of a coordinated data system; to provide for the promulgation of rules; to provide for oversight, dispute resolution, and enforcement of certain provisions; to provide for construction and severability; to require consistency and conflict resolution between states; to redesignate certain provisions; to provide for exceptions to public records; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 37:3085(7), 3086(C)(5), and Part II of Chapter 41 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 37:3095.1, are hereby enacted to read as follows:

§3085. Powers and duties of the board

The board shall have the following powers and duties:

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(7) To submit the names of applicants for licensure and state certification to the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information of the office of state police within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections for criminal background checks. Upon the board's submission of an applicant's fingerprints and such other identifying information as may be required, the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information of the office of state police within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall survey its criminal history records and identification files and make a simultaneous request of the Federal Bureau of Investigation for like information from other jurisdictions. The Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information of the office of state police within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections may charge the board a reasonable processing fee for conducting and reporting on any such search.

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§3086. Licensing of dietitians/nutritionists dietitians and nutritionists; qualifications

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C. Compliance with all of the following minimum requirements:

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(5) Satisfactorily complete a fingerprint-based criminal history background check through the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information and the Federal Bureau of Investigations to determine suitability for licensing in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter and as required by the board.

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## PART II. DIETITIAN LICENSURE COMPACT

### §3095.1. Dietitian Licensure Compact

The Dietitian Licensure Compact is hereby recognized and enacted into law  
and entered into by this state with all states legally joining therein in the form  
substantially as follows:

## SECTION 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this compact is to facilitate the interstate practice of dietetics  
with the goal of improving public access to dietetics services. This compact

1 preserves the regulatory authority of states to protect public health and safety  
2 through the current system of state licensure, while also providing for licensure  
3 portability through a compact privilege granted to qualifying professionals. This  
4 compact is designed to achieve all of the following objectives:

5 (1) Increase public access to dietetics services.

6 (2) Provide opportunities for interstate practice by licensed dietitians who  
7 meet uniform requirements.

8 (3) Eliminate the necessity for licenses in multiple states.

9 (4) Reduce the administrative burden on member states and licensees.

10 (5) Enhance the states' ability to protect the public's health and safety.

11 (6) Encourage the cooperation of member states in regulating the multistate  
12 practice of licensed dietitians.

13 (7) Support relocating active military members and their spouses.

14 (8) Enhance the exchange of licensure, investigative, and disciplinary  
15 information among member states.

16 (9) Vest all member states with the authority to hold a licensed dietitian  
17 accountable for meeting all state practice laws in the state in which the patient is  
18 located at the time care is rendered.

## 19 SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

20 As used in this Part, and except as otherwise provided, the following  
21 definitions shall apply:

22 (1) "ACEND" means the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition  
23 and Dietetics or its successor organization.

24 (2) "Active military member" means any individual with full-time duty  
25 status in the active United States Armed Forces, members of the National Guard of  
26 the United States, and the United States Army Reserve.

27 (3) "Adverse action" means any administrative, civil, equitable, or criminal  
28 action permitted by a state's laws which is imposed by a licensing authority or other  
29 authority against a licensee including actions against an individual's license or

1           compact privilege such as revocation, suspension, probation, monitoring of the  
2           licensee, limitation on the licensee's practice, or any other encumbrance on licensure  
3           affecting a licensee's authorization to practice including issuance of a cease and  
4           desist action.

5                   (4) "Alternative program" means a nondisciplinary monitoring or practice  
6                   remediation process approved by a licensing authority.

7                   (5) "Charter member state" means any member state which enacted this  
8                   compact by law before the effective date specified in Section 12 of this compact.

9                   (6) "Continuing education" means a requirement, as a condition of license  
10                  renewal, to provide evidence of participation in and completion of educational and  
11                  professional activities relevant to practice or area of work.

12                  (7) "CDR" means the Commission on Dietetic Registration or its successor  
13                  organization.

14                  (8) "Compact commission", also known as the Dietitian Licensure Compact  
15                  Commission, means the government agency whose membership consists of all states  
16                  that have enacted this compact and operates as an instrumentality of the member  
17                  states.

18                  (9) "Compact privilege" means a legal authorization, which is equivalent to  
19                  a license, permitting the practice of dietetics in a remote state.

20                  (10) "Current significant investigative information" means either of the  
21                  following:

22                   (a) Investigative information that a licensing authority, after a preliminary  
23                   inquiry that includes notification and an opportunity for the subject licensee to  
24                   respond, if required by state law, has reason to believe is not groundless and, if  
25                   proved true, would indicate more than a minor infraction.

26                   (b) Investigative information that indicates that the subject licensee  
27                   represents an immediate threat to public health and safety regardless of whether the  
28                   subject licensee has been notified and had an opportunity to respond.

1           (11) "Data system" means a repository of information about licensees  
2           including but not limited to continuing education, examination, licensure,  
3           investigative, compact privilege, and adverse action information.

4           (12) "Encumbered license" means a license in which an adverse action  
5           restricts a licensee's ability to practice dietetics.

6           (13) "Encumbrance" means a revocation or suspension of or any limitation  
7           on a licensee's full and unrestricted practice of dietetics by a licensing authority.

8           (14) "Executive committee" means a group of delegates elected or appointed  
9           to act on behalf of and within the powers granted to them by this compact and the  
10          compact commission.

11          (15) "Home state" means the member state that is the licensee's primary state  
12          of residence or that has been designated pursuant to Section 6 of this compact.

13          (16) "Investigative information" means information, records, and documents  
14          received or generated by a licensing authority pursuant to an investigation.

15          (17) "Jurisprudence requirement" means an assessment of an individual's  
16          knowledge of the state laws and regulations governing the practice of dietetics in  
17          such state.

18          (18) "License" means an authorization from a member state to engage in the  
19          practice of dietetics, including medical nutrition therapy, or use the title "dietitian",  
20          "licensed dietitian", "licensed dietitian nutritionist", "certified dietitian", or other title  
21          describing a substantially similar practitioner as the compact commission may  
22          further define by rule.

23          (19) "Licensee" or "licensed dietitian" means an individual who currently  
24          holds a license and who meets all of the requirements outlined in Section 4 of this  
25          compact.

26          (20) "Licensing authority" means the board or agency of a state, or  
27          equivalent, that is responsible for the licensing and regulation of the practice of  
28          dietetics.

29          (21) "Member state" means a state that has enacted this compact.

1                   (22) "Practice of dietetics" means the synthesis and application of dietetics  
2                   primarily for the provision of nutrition care services including medical nutrition  
3                   therapy, in-person or via telehealth, to prevent, manage, or treat diseases or medical  
4                   conditions and promote wellness.

5                   (23) "Registered dietitian" means a person who meets all of the following  
6                   criteria:

7                   (a) Has completed applicable education, experience, examination, and  
8                   recertification requirements approved by CDR.

9                   (b) Is credentialed by CDR as a registered dietitian or a registered dietitian  
10                  nutritionist.

11                  (c) Is legally authorized to use the title registered dietitian or registered  
12                  dietitian nutritionist and the corresponding abbreviations "RD" or "RDN".

13                  (24) "Remote state" means a member state other than the home state where  
14                  a licensee is exercising or seeking to exercise a compact privilege.

15                  (25) "Rule" means a regulation promulgated by the compact commission that  
16                  has the force of law.

17                  (26) "Single state license" means a license issued by a member state within  
18                  the issuing state and does not include a compact privilege in any other member state.

19                  (27) "State" means any state, commonwealth, district, or territory of the  
20                  United States of America.

21                  (28) "Unencumbered license" means a license that authorizes a licensee to  
22                  engage in the full and unrestricted practice of dietetics.

23                  SECTION 3. STATE PARTICIPATION IN THE COMPACT

24                  A. To participate in this compact, a state shall currently meet all of the  
25                  following criteria:

26                  (1) License and regulate the practice of dietetics.

27                  (2) Have a mechanism in place for receiving and investigating complaints  
28                  about licensees.

1                   B. A member state shall do all of the following:

2                   (1) Participate fully in the compact commission's data system, including  
3                   using the unique identifier as defined in rules.

4                   (2) Notify the compact commission, in compliance with the terms of this  
5                   compact and the rules, of any adverse action or the availability of current significant  
6                   investigative information regarding a licensee.

7                   (3)(a) Implement or utilize procedures for considering the criminal history  
8                   record information of applicants for an initial compact privilege. These procedures  
9                   shall include the submission of fingerprints or other biometric-based information by  
10                  applicants for the purpose of obtaining an applicant's criminal history record  
11                  information from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the agency responsible for  
12                  retaining that state's criminal records.

13                  (b) A member state shall fully implement a criminal history record  
14                  information requirement, within a time frame established by rule, which includes  
15                  receiving the results of the Federal Bureau of Investigation record search and shall  
16                  use those results in determining compact privilege eligibility.

17                  (c) Communication between a member state and the compact commission  
18                  or among member states regarding the verification of eligibility for a compact  
19                  privilege shall not include any information received from the Federal Bureau of  
20                  Investigation relating to a federal criminal history record information check  
21                  performed by a member state.

22                  (4) Comply with and enforce the rules of the compact commission.

23                  (5) Require an applicant for a compact privilege to obtain or retain a license  
24                  in the licensee's home state, meet the home state's qualifications for licensure or  
25                  renewal of licensure, and all other applicable state laws.

26                  (6) Recognize a compact privilege granted to a licensee who meets all of the  
27                  requirements outlined in Section 4 of this compact in accordance with the terms of  
28                  this compact and the rules.

29                  C. Member states may set and collect a fee for granting a compact privilege.

1           D. Individuals not residing in a member state shall continue to be able to  
2           apply for a member state's single state license as provided under the laws of each  
3           member state. However, the single state license granted to these individuals shall not  
4           be recognized as granting a compact privilege to engage in the practice of dietetics  
5           in any other member state.

6           E. Nothing in this compact shall affect the requirements established by a  
7           member state for the issuance of a single state license.

8           F. At no point shall the compact commission have the power to define the  
9           requirements for the issuance of a single state license to practice dietetics. The  
10          member states shall retain sole jurisdiction over the provision of these requirements.

#### 11                           SECTION 4. COMPACT PRIVILEGE

12          A. To exercise the compact privilege under the terms and provisions of this  
13          compact, the licensee shall do all of the following:

14               (1) Satisfy one of the following:

15                   (a) Hold a valid, current registration that gives the applicant the right to use  
16                   the term registered dietitian.

17                   (b) Complete all of the following:

18                       (i) An education program which is either:

19                           (aa) A master's degree or doctoral degree that is programmatically accredited  
20                           by ACEND or a dietetics accrediting agency recognized by the United States  
21                           Department of Education, which the compact commission may by rule determine,  
22                           and from a college or university accredited at the time of graduation by the  
23                           appropriate regional accrediting agency recognized by the Council on Higher  
24                           Education Accreditation and the United States Department of Education.

25                           (bb) An academic degree from a college or university in a foreign country  
26                           equivalent to the degree described in Subitem (aa) of this Item that is  
27                           programmatically accredited by ACEND or a dietetics accrediting agency recognized  
28                           by the United States Department of Education, which the compact commission may  
29                           by rule determine.



1           (ii) A planned, documented, supervised practice experience in dietetics that  
2           is programmatically accredited by ACEND or a dietetics accrediting agency  
3           recognized by the United States Department of Education, which the compact  
4           commission may by rule determine, and which involves at least one thousand hours  
5           of practice experience under the supervision of a registered dietitian or a licensed  
6           dietitian.

7           (iii) Successful completion of either the registration examination for  
8           dietitians administered by CDR or a national credentialing examination for dietitians  
9           approved by the compact commission by rule; such completion being no more than  
10          five years prior to the date of the licensee's application for initial licensure and  
11          accompanied by a period of continuous licensure thereafter all of which may be  
12          further governed by the rules of the compact commission.

13          (2) Hold an unencumbered license in the home state.

14          (3) Notify the compact commission that the licensee is seeking a compact  
15          privilege within a remote state.

16          (4) Pay any applicable fees, including any state fee, for the compact  
17          privilege.

18          (5) Meet any jurisprudence requirements established by the remote state in  
19          which the licensee is seeking a compact privilege.

20          (6) Report to the compact commission any adverse action, encumbrance, or  
21          restriction on a license taken by any non-member state within thirty days from the  
22          date the action is taken.

23          B. The compact privilege is valid until the expiration date of the home state  
24          license. To maintain a compact privilege, renewal of the compact privilege is  
25          congruent with the renewal of the home state license as the compact commission  
26          may define by rule. The licensee shall comply with the requirements of Subsection  
27          A of this Section of this compact to maintain the compact privilege in the remote  
28          states.

29          C. A licensee exercising a compact privilege shall adhere to the laws and  
30          regulations of the remote state. Licensees are responsible for educating themselves

1        on and complying with any and all state laws relating to the practice of dietetics in  
2        such remote state.

3                D. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary provided in this compact or  
4        state law, a licensee exercising a compact privilege is not required to complete  
5        continuing education requirements required by a remote state. A licensee exercising  
6        a compact privilege is required to meet any continuing education requirements as  
7        required by the home state.

8        SECTION 5. OBTAINING A NEW HOME STATE LICENSE BASED ON A

9                        COMPACT PRIVILEGE

10                A. A licensee may hold a home state license, which allows for a compact  
11        privilege in other member states, in only one member state at a time.

12                B. If a licensee changes home state by moving between two member states,  
13        the following shall apply:

14                        (1) The licensee shall file an application for obtaining a new home state  
15        license based on a compact privilege, pay all applicable fees, and notify the current  
16        and new home state in accordance with the rules of the compact commission.

17                        (2) Upon receipt of an application for obtaining a new home state license by  
18        virtue of a compact privilege, the new home state shall verify that the licensee meets  
19        the criteria in Section 4 of this compact via the data system and require that the  
20        licensee complete the all of the following:

21                                (a) Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint based criminal history record  
22        information check.

23                                (b) Any other criminal history record information required by the new home  
24        state.

25                                (c) Any jurisprudence requirements of the new home state.

26                        (3) The former home state shall convert the former home state license into  
27        a compact privilege once the new home state has activated the new home state  
28        license in accordance with applicable rules adopted by the compact commission.

1                   (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this compact, if the licensee  
2                   cannot meet the criteria in Section 4 of this compact, the new home state may apply  
3                   its requirements for issuing a new single state license.

4                   (5) The licensee shall pay all applicable fees to the new home state in order  
5                   to be issued a new home state license.

6                   C. If a licensee changes his state of residence by moving from a member  
7                   state to a non-member state, or from a non-member state to a member state, the state  
8                   criteria shall apply for issuance of a single state license in the new state.

9                   D. Nothing in this compact shall interfere with a licensee's ability to hold a  
10                  single state license in multiple states; however, for the purposes of this compact, a  
11                  licensee shall have only one home state license.

12                  E. Nothing in this compact shall affect the requirements established by a  
13                  member state for the issuance of a single state license.

14                  SECTION 6. ACTIVE MILITARY MEMBERS OR THEIR SPOUSES

15                  An active military member, or his spouse, shall designate a home state where  
16                  the individual has a current license in good standing. The individual may retain the  
17                  home state designation during the period the service member is on active duty.

18                  SECTION 7. ADVERSE ACTIONS

19                  A. In addition to the other powers conferred by state law, a remote state shall  
20                  have the authority, in accordance with existing state due process law, to do all of the  
21                  following:

22                  (1) Take adverse action against a licensee's compact privilege within that  
23                  member state.

24                  (2) Issue subpoenas for both hearings and investigations that require the  
25                  attendance and testimony of witnesses as well as the production of evidence.  
26                  Subpoenas issued by a licensing authority in a member state for the attendance and  
27                  testimony of witnesses or the production of evidence from another member state  
28                  shall be enforced in the latter state by any court of competent jurisdiction, according  
29                  to the practice and procedure applicable to subpoenas issued in proceedings pending  
30                  before that court. The issuing authority shall pay any witness fees, travel expenses,

1            mileage, and other fees required by the service statutes of the state in which the  
2            witnesses or evidence are located.

3            B. Only the home state shall have the power to take adverse action against  
4            a licensee's home state license.

5            C. For purposes of taking adverse action, the home state shall give the same  
6            priority and effect to reported conduct received from a member state as it would if  
7            the conduct had occurred within the home state. In so doing, the home state shall  
8            apply its own state laws to determine appropriate action.

9            D. The home state shall complete any pending investigations of a licensee  
10           who changes home states during the course of the investigations. The home state  
11           shall also have authority to take appropriate action and shall promptly report the  
12           conclusions of the investigations to the administrator of the data system. The  
13           administrator of the data system shall promptly notify the new home state of any  
14           adverse actions.

15           E. A member state, if otherwise permitted by state law, may recover from  
16           the affected licensee the costs of investigations and dispositions of cases resulting  
17           from any adverse action taken against that licensee.

18           F. A member state may take adverse action based on the factual findings of  
19           another remote state provided that the member state follows its own procedures for  
20           taking the adverse action.

21           G. Joint investigations.

22           (1) In addition to the authority granted to a member state by its respective  
23           state law, any member state may participate with other member states in joint  
24           investigations of a licensee.

25           (2) Member states shall share any investigative, litigation, or compliance  
26           materials in furtherance of any joint investigation initiated in accordance with this  
27           compact.

28           H. If adverse action is taken by the home state against a licensee's home state  
29           license resulting in an encumbrance on the home state license, the licensee's compact  
30           privilege in all other member states is revoked until all encumbrances have been

1        removed from the home state license. All home state disciplinary orders that impose  
2        adverse action against a licensee shall include a statement that the licensee's compact  
3        privileges are revoked in all member states during the pendency of the order.

4            I. Once an encumbered license in the home state is restored to an  
5        unencumbered license, as certified by the home state's licensing authority, the  
6        licensee shall meet the requirements of Section 4(A) of this compact and follow the  
7        administrative requirements to reapply to obtain a compact privilege in any remote  
8        state.

9            J. If a member state takes adverse action, it shall promptly notify the  
10       administrator of the data system. The administrator of the data system shall  
11       promptly notify the other member states state of any adverse actions.

12           K. Nothing in this compact shall override a member state's decision that  
13       participation in an alternative program may be used in lieu of adverse action.

#### 14       SECTION 8. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DIETITIAN LICENSURE COMPACT

##### 15                    COMMISSION

16           A. The compact member states hereby create and establish a joint  
17       government agency whose membership consists of all member states that have  
18       enacted this compact, known as the Dietitian Licensure Compact Commission. The  
19       compact commission is an instrumentality of the compact states acting jointly and  
20       not an instrumentality of any one state. The compact commission shall come into  
21       existence on or after the effective date of this compact as set forth in Section 12 of  
22       this compact.

##### 23           B. Membership, voting, and meetings.

24           (1) Each member state shall have and be limited to one delegate selected by  
25       that member state's licensing authority.

26           (2) The delegate shall be the primary administrator of the licensing authority  
27       or their designee.

28           (3) The compact commission shall, by rule or bylaw, establish a term of  
29       office for delegates and may, by rule or bylaw, establish term limits.

1                   (4) The compact commission may recommend removal or suspension of any  
2                   delegate from office.

3                   (5) A member state's licensing authority shall fill any vacancy of its delegate  
4                   occurring on the compact commission within sixty days of the vacancy.

5                   (6) Each delegate shall be entitled to one vote on all matters before the  
6                   compact commission requiring a vote by the delegates.

7                   (7) Delegates shall meet and vote by such means as set forth in the bylaws.  
8                   The bylaws may provide for delegates to meet and vote in-person or by  
9                   telecommunication, video conference, or other means of communication.

10                  (8) The compact commission shall meet at least once during each calendar  
11                  year. Additional meetings may be held as set forth in the bylaws. The compact  
12                  commission may meet in person or by telecommunication, video conference, or other  
13                  means of communication.

14                  C. The compact commission shall have all of the following powers:

15                  (1) Establish the fiscal year of the compact commission.

16                  (2) Establish code of conduct and conflict of interest policies.

17                  (3) Establish and amend rules and bylaws.

18                  (4) Maintain its financial records in accordance with the bylaws.

19                  (5) Meet and take such actions as are consistent with the provisions of this  
20                  compact, the compact commission's rules, and the bylaws.

21                  (6) Initiate and conclude legal proceedings or actions in the name of the  
22                  compact commission, provided that the standing of any licensing authority to sue or  
23                  be sued under applicable law shall not be affected.

24                  (7) Maintain and certify records and information provided to a member state  
25                  as the authenticated business records of the compact commission and designate an  
26                  agent to do so on the compact commission's behalf.

27                  (8) Purchase and maintain insurance and bonds.

28                  (9) Borrow, accept, or contract for services of personnel including but not  
29                  limited to employees of a member state.

30                  (10) Conduct an annual financial review.

1           (11) Hire employees, elect or appoint officers, fix compensation, define  
2           duties, grant such individuals appropriate authority to carry out the purposes of this  
3           compact, and establish the compact commission's personnel policies and programs  
4           relating to conflicts of interest, qualifications of personnel, and other related  
5           personnel matters.

6           (12) Assess and collect fees.

7           (13) Accept any and all appropriate donations, grants of money, other  
8           sources of revenue, equipment, supplies, materials, services, and gifts and receive,  
9           utilize, and dispose of the same provided that at all times the compact commission  
10          shall avoid any actual or appearance of impropriety or conflict of interest.

11          (14) Lease, purchase, retain, own, hold, improve, or use any property, real,  
12          personal, or mixed, or any undivided interest therein.

13          (15) Sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange, abandon, or otherwise  
14          dispose of any property real, personal, or mixed.

15          (16) Establish a budget and make expenditures.

16          (17) Borrow money.

17          (18) Appoint committees, including standing committees, composed of  
18          members, state regulators, state legislators or their representatives, and consumer  
19          representatives, and such other interested persons as may be designated in this  
20          compact or the bylaws.

21          (19) Provide and receive information from, and cooperate with, law  
22          enforcement agencies.

23          (20) Establish and elect an executive committee including a chair and a vice  
24          chair.

25          (21) Determine whether a state's adopted language is materially different  
26          from the model compact language such that the state would not qualify for  
27          participation in the compact.

28          (22) Perform such other functions as may be necessary or appropriate to  
29          achieve the purposes of this compact.

1                   D. The executive committee.

2                   (1) The executive committee shall have the power to act on behalf of the  
3                   compact commission according to the terms of this compact. The powers, duties,  
4                   and responsibilities of the executive committee shall include all of the following:

5                   (a) Oversee the day-to-day activities of the administration of this compact  
6                   including enforcement and compliance with the provisions of this compact, its rules  
7                   and bylaws, and other such duties as deemed necessary.

8                   (b) Recommend to the compact commission changes to the rules or bylaws,  
9                   changes to this compact legislation, fees charged to compact member states, fees  
10                  charged to licensees, and other fees.

11                  (c) Ensure compact commission administration services are appropriately  
12                  provided including by contract.

13                  (d) Prepare and recommend the budget.

14                  (e) Maintain financial records on behalf of the compact commission.

15                  (f) Monitor member states compliance with this compact and provide  
16                  compliance reports to the compact commission.

17                  (g) Establish additional committees as necessary.

18                  (h) Exercise the powers and duties of the compact commission during the  
19                  interim between compact commission meetings except for adopting or amending  
20                  rules, adopting or amending bylaws, and exercising any other powers and duties  
21                  expressly reserved to the compact commission by rule or bylaw.

22                  (i) Other duties as provided in the rules or bylaws of the compact  
23                  commission.

24                  (2) The executive committee shall be composed of the following nine  
25                  members:

26                  (a) The chair and vice chair of the compact commission shall be voting  
27                  members of the executive committee.

28                  (b) Five voting members from the current membership of the compact  
29                  commission, elected by the compact commission.



1                   (c) One ex-officio, nonvoting member from a recognized professional  
2                   association representing dietitians.

3                   (d) One ex-officio, nonvoting member from a recognized national  
4                   credentialing organization for dietitians.

5                   (3) The compact commission may remove any member of the executive  
6                   committee as provided in the compact commission's bylaws.

7                   (4) The executive committee shall meet at least annually.

8                   (a) Executive committee meetings shall be open to the public, except that the  
9                   executive committee may meet in a closed, non-public meeting as provided in  
10                  Paragraph (F)(2) of this Section.

11                  (b) The executive committee shall give thirty days' notice of its meetings,  
12                  posted on the website of the compact commission and as determined to provide  
13                  notice to persons with an interest in the business of the compact commission.

14                  (c) The executive committee may hold a special meeting in accordance with  
15                  Subparagraph (F)(1)(b) of this Section.

16                  E. The compact commission shall adopt and provide to the member states  
17                  an annual report.

18                  F. Meetings of the compact commission.

19                  (1)(a) All meetings shall be open to the public, except that the compact  
20                  commission may meet in a closed, non-public meeting as provided in Paragraph (2)  
21                  of this Subsection.

22                  (b) Public notice for all meetings of the full compact commission shall be  
23                  given in the same manner as required under the rulemaking provisions in Section 10  
24                  of this compact, except that the compact commission may hold a special meeting as  
25                  provided in Subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph.

26                  (c) The compact commission may hold a special meeting when it must meet  
27                  to conduct emergency business by giving twenty four hours' notice to all member  
28                  states on the compact commission's website and other means as provided in the  
29                  compact commission's rules. The compact commission's legal counsel shall certify  
30                  that the compact commission's need to meet qualifies as an emergency.

1                   (2) The compact commission or the executive committee or other  
2                   committees of the compact commission may convene in a closed, non-public  
3                   meeting for the compact commission or executive committee or other committees  
4                   of the compact commission to receive legal advice or to discuss any of the following:

5                   (a) Non-compliance of a member state with its obligations under the  
6                   compact.

7                   (b) The employment, compensation, discipline, or other matters, practices,  
8                   or procedures related to specific employees.

9                   (c) Current or threatened discipline of a licensee by the compact commission  
10                  or by a member state's licensing authority.

11                  (d) Current, threatened, or reasonably anticipated litigation.

12                  (e) Negotiation of contracts for the purchase, lease, or sale of goods,  
13                  services, or real estate.

14                  (f) Accusing any person of a crime or formally censuring any person.

15                  (g) Trade secrets or commercial or financial information that is privileged  
16                  or confidential.

17                  (h) Information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute a  
18                  clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

19                  (i) Investigative records compiled for law enforcement purposes.

20                  (j) Information related to any investigative reports prepared by or on behalf  
21                  of or for use of the compact commission or other committee charged with  
22                  responsibility of investigation or determination of compliance issues pursuant to this  
23                  compact.

24                  (k) Matters specifically exempted from disclosure by federal or member state  
25                  law.

26                  (l) Other matters as specified in the rules of the compact commission.

27                  (3) If a meeting or portion of a meeting is closed, the presiding officer shall  
28                  state that the meeting will be closed and reference each relevant exempting  
29                  provision, and such reference shall be recorded in the minutes.

1           (4) The compact commission shall keep minutes that fully and clearly  
2           describe all matters discussed in a meeting and shall provide a full and accurate  
3           summary of actions taken, and the reasons therefore, including a description of the  
4           views expressed. All documents considered in connection with an action shall be  
5           identified in such minutes. All minutes and documents of a closed meeting shall  
6           remain under seal, subject to release only by a majority vote of the compact  
7           commission or order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

8           G. Financing of the compact commission.

9           (1) The compact commission shall pay, or provide for the payment of, the  
10          reasonable expenses of its establishment, organization, and ongoing activities.

11          (2) The compact commission may accept any and all appropriate revenue  
12          sources as provided in Paragraph (C)(13) of this Section.

13          (3) The compact commission may levy on and collect an annual assessment  
14          from each member state and impose fees on licensees of member states to whom it  
15          grants a compact privilege to cover the cost of the operations and activities of the  
16          compact commission and its staff which, in a total amount, is sufficient to cover its  
17          annual budget as approved each year for which revenue is not provided by other  
18          sources. The aggregate annual assessment amount for member states shall be  
19          allocated based upon a formula that the compact commission shall promulgate by  
20          rule.

21          (4) The compact commission shall not incur obligations of any kind prior to  
22          securing the funds adequate to meet the same nor shall the compact commission  
23          pledge the credit of any of the member states except by and with the authority of the  
24          member state.

25          (5) The compact commission shall keep accurate accounts of all receipts and  
26          disbursements. The receipts and disbursements of the compact commission are  
27          subject to the financial review and accounting procedures established under its  
28          bylaws. However, all receipts and disbursements of funds handled by the compact  
29          commission are be subject to an annual financial review by a certified or licensed

1           public accountant, and the report of the financial review shall be included in and  
2           become part of the annual report of the compact commission.

3           H. Qualified immunity, defense, and indemnification.

4           (1) The members, officers, executive director, employees, and  
5           representatives of the compact commission shall be immune from suit and liability,  
6           both personally and in their official capacity, for any claim for damage to or loss of  
7           property or personal injury or other civil liability caused by or arising out of any  
8           actual or alleged act, error, or omission that occurred or that the person against whom  
9           the claim is made had a reasonable basis for believing occurred within the scope of  
10          compact commission employment, duties, or responsibilities provided that nothing  
11          in this paragraph shall be construed to protect any such person from suit or liability  
12          for any damage, loss, injury, or liability caused by the intentional or willful or  
13          wanton misconduct of that person. The procurement of insurance of any type by the  
14          compact commission shall not in any way compromise or limit the immunity granted  
15          hereunder.

16          (2) The compact commission shall defend any member, officer, executive  
17          director, employee, and representative of the compact commission in any civil action  
18          seeking to impose liability arising out of any actual or alleged act, error, or omission  
19          that occurred within the scope of compact commission employment, duties, or  
20          responsibilities, or as determined by the compact commission that the person against  
21          whom the claim is made had a reasonable basis for believing occurred within the  
22          scope of compact commission employment, duties, or responsibilities provided that  
23          nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit that person from retaining their own  
24          counsel at their own expense; and provided further, that the actual or alleged act,  
25          error, or omission did not result from that person's intentional or willful or wanton  
26          misconduct.

27          (3) The compact commission shall indemnify and hold harmless any  
28          member, officer, executive director, employee, or representative of the compact  
29          commission for the amount of any settlement or judgment obtained against that  
30          person arising out of any actual or alleged act, error, or omission that occurred within

1        the scope of compact commission employment, duties, or responsibilities or that  
2        such person had a reasonable basis for believing occurred within the scope of  
3        compact commission employment, duties, or responsibilities provided that the actual  
4        or alleged act, error, or omission did not result from the intentional or willful or  
5        wanton misconduct of that person.

6                (4) Nothing in this compact shall be construed as a limitation on the liability  
7        of any licensee for professional malpractice or misconduct, which shall be governed  
8        solely by any other applicable state laws.

9                (5) Nothing in this compact shall be interpreted to waive or otherwise  
10       abrogate a member state's state action immunity or state action affirmative defense  
11       with respect to antitrust claims under the Sherman Act, Clayton Act, or any other  
12       state or federal antitrust or anticompetitive law or regulation.

13               (6) Nothing in this compact shall be construed to be a waiver of sovereign  
14       immunity by the member states or by the compact commission.

#### 15                                SECTION 9. DATA SYSTEM

16               A. The compact commission shall provide for the development,  
17       maintenance, operation, and utilization of a coordinated data system.

18               B. The compact commission shall assign each applicant for a compact  
19       privilege a unique identifier, as determined by the rules.

20               C. Notwithstanding any other provision of state law to the contrary, a  
21       member state shall submit a uniform data set to the data system on all individuals to  
22       whom this compact is applicable as required by the rules of the compact commission  
23       including all of the following:

24                        (1) Identifying information.

25                        (2) Licensure data.

26                        (3) Adverse actions against a license or compact privilege and information  
27       related thereto.

28                        (4) Nonconfidential information related to alternative program participation,  
29       the beginning and ending dates of such participation, and other information related  
30       to such participation not made confidential under member state law.

1                   (5) Any denial of application for licensure, and the reason for such denial.

2                   (6) The presence of current significant investigative information.

3                   (7) Other information that may facilitate the administration of this compact  
4                   or the protection of the public, as determined by the rules of the compact  
5                   commission.

6                   D. The records and information provided to a member state pursuant to this  
7                   compact or through the data system, when certified by the compact commission or  
8                   an agent thereof, shall constitute the authenticated business records of the compact  
9                   commission and are entitled to any associated hearsay exception in any relevant  
10                  judicial, quasi-judicial, or administrative proceedings in a member state.

11                  E. Current significant investigative information pertaining to a licensee in  
12                  any member state is be available only to other member states.

13                  F. It is the responsibility of the member states to report any adverse action  
14                  against a licensee and to monitor the data system to determine whether any adverse  
15                  action has been taken against a licensee. Adverse action information pertaining to  
16                  a licensee in any member state is available to any other member state.

17                  G. Member states contributing information to the data system may designate  
18                  information that may not be shared with the public without the express permission  
19                  of the contributing state.

20                  H. Any information submitted to the data system that is subsequently  
21                  expunged pursuant to federal law or the laws of the member state contributing the  
22                  information shall be removed from the data system.

23                                   SECTION 10. RULEMAKING

24                  A. The compact commission shall promulgate reasonable rules in order to  
25                  effectively and efficiently implement and administer the purposes and provisions of  
26                  this compact. A rule shall be invalid and have no force or effect only if a court of  
27                  competent jurisdiction holds that the rule is invalid because the compact commission  
28                  exercised its rulemaking authority in a manner that is beyond the scope and purposes  
29                  of this compact, or the powers granted hereunder, or based upon another applicable  
30                  standard of review.

1           B. The rules of the compact commission have the force of law in each  
2           member state, provided however that where the rules conflict with the laws or  
3           regulations of a member state that relate to the procedures, actions, and processes a  
4           licensed dietitian is permitted to undertake in that state and the circumstances under  
5           which he may do so, as held by a court of competent jurisdiction, the rules of the  
6           compact commission shall be ineffective in that state to the extent of the conflict.

7           C. The compact commission shall exercise its rulemaking powers pursuant  
8           to the criteria set forth in this Section and the rules adopted thereunder. Rules are  
9           binding on the day following adoption or as of the date specified in the rule or  
10          amendment, whichever is later.

11          D. If a majority of the legislatures of the member states rejects a rule or  
12          portion of a rule, by enactment of a statute or resolution in the same manner used to  
13          adopt this compact within four years of the date of adoption of the rule, then such  
14          rule shall have no further force and effect in any member state.

15          E. The compact commission shall adopt rules at a regular or special meeting  
16          of the compact commission.

17          F. Prior to adoption of a proposed rule, the compact commission shall hold  
18          a public hearing and allow persons to provide oral and written comments, data, facts,  
19          opinions, and arguments.

20          G. Prior to adoption of a proposed rule by the compact commission and at  
21          least thirty days in advance of the meeting at which the compact commission will  
22          hold a public hearing on the proposed rule, the compact commission shall provide  
23          a notice of proposed rulemaking:

24                (1) On the website of the compact commission or other publicly accessible  
25                platform.

26                (2) To persons who have requested notice of the compact commission's  
27                notices of proposed rulemaking.

28                (3) In such other way as the compact commission may, by rule, specify.

29          H. The notice of proposed rulemaking shall include all of the following:

1                   (1) The time, date, and location of the public hearing at which the compact  
2                   commission will hear public comments on the proposed rule and, if different, the  
3                   time, date, and location of the meeting where the compact commission will consider  
4                   and vote on the proposed rule.

5                   (2) If the hearing is held via telecommunication, video conference, or other  
6                   means of communication, the compact commission shall include the mechanism for  
7                   access to the hearing in the notice of proposed rulemaking.

8                   (3) The text of the proposed rule and the reason therefore.

9                   (4) A request for comments on the proposed rule from any interested person.

10                  (5) The manner in which interested persons may submit written comments.

11                  I. All hearings will be recorded. A copy of the recording and all written  
12                  comments and documents received by the compact commission in response to the  
13                  proposed rule shall be available to the public.

14                  J. Nothing in this Section shall be construed as requiring a separate hearing  
15                  on each rule. Rules may be grouped for the convenience of the compact commission  
16                  at hearings required by this Section.

17                  K. The compact commission shall, by majority vote of all members, take  
18                  final action on the proposed rule based on the rulemaking record and the full text of  
19                  the rule.

20                  (1) The compact commission may adopt changes to the proposed rule  
21                  provided the changes do not enlarge the original purpose of the proposed rule.

22                  (2) The compact commission shall provide an explanation of the reasons for  
23                  substantive changes made to the proposed rule as well as reasons for substantive  
24                  changes not made that were recommended by commenters.

25                  (3) The compact commission shall determine a reasonable effective date for  
26                  the rule. Except for an emergency as provided in Subsection L of this Section, the  
27                  effective date of the rule shall be no sooner than thirty days after issuing the notice  
28                  that it adopted or amended the rule.

29                  L. Upon determination that an emergency exists, the compact commission  
30                  may consider and adopt an emergency rule with twenty four hours' notice, with



1 opportunity to comment, provided that the usual rulemaking procedures provided in  
2 this compact and in this Section shall be retroactively applied to the rule as soon as  
3 reasonably possible, in no event later than ninety days after the effective date of the  
4 rule. For the purposes of this provision, an emergency rule is adopted immediately  
5 in order to achieve any of the following:

6 (1) Meet an imminent threat to public health, safety, or welfare.

7 (2) Prevent a loss of compact commission or member state funds.

8 (3) Meet a deadline for the promulgation of a rule that is established by  
9 federal law or rule.

10 (4) Protect public health and safety.

11 M. The compact commission or an authorized committee of the compact  
12 commission may direct revision to a previously adopted rule for purposes of  
13 correcting typographical errors, errors in format, errors in consistency, or  
14 grammatical errors. Public notice of any revision shall be posted on the website of  
15 the compact commission. The revision shall be subject to challenge by any person  
16 for a period of thirty days after posting. The revision may be challenged only on  
17 grounds that the revision results in a material change to a rule. A challenge shall be  
18 made in writing and delivered to the compact commission prior to the end of the  
19 notice period. If no challenge is made, the revision will take effect without further  
20 action. If the revision is challenged, the revision may not take effect without the  
21 approval of the compact commission.

22 N. No member state's rulemaking requirements shall apply under this  
23 compact.

## 24 SECTION 11. OVERSIGHT, DISPUTE RESOLUTION, AND ENFORCEMENT

### 25 A. Oversight.

26 (1) The executive and judicial branches of state government in each member  
27 state shall enforce this compact and take all actions necessary and appropriate to  
28 implement this compact.

29 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this compact, venue is proper and  
30 judicial proceedings by or against the compact commission shall be brought solely

1 and exclusively in a court of competent jurisdiction where the principal office of the  
2 compact commission is located. The compact commission may waive venue and  
3 jurisdictional defenses to the extent it adopts or consents to participate in alternative  
4 dispute resolution proceedings. Nothing herein shall affect or limit the selection or  
5 propriety of venue in any action against a licensee for professional malpractice,  
6 misconduct, or any such similar matter.

7 (3) The compact commission shall be entitled to receive service of process  
8 in any proceeding regarding the enforcement or interpretation of the compact and  
9 shall have standing to intervene in such a proceeding for all purposes. Failure to  
10 provide the compact commission service of process shall render a judgment or order  
11 void as to the compact commission, this compact, or promulgated rules.

12 B. Default, technical assistance, and termination.

13 (1) If the compact commission determines that a member state has defaulted  
14 in the performance of its obligations or responsibilities under this compact or the  
15 promulgated rules, the compact commission shall provide written notice to the  
16 defaulting state. The notice of default shall describe the default, the proposed means  
17 of curing the default, and any other action that the compact commission may take  
18 and shall offer training and specific technical assistance regarding the default.

19 (2) The compact commission shall provide a copy of the notice of default to  
20 the other member states.

21 C. If a state in default fails to cure the default, the defaulting state may be  
22 terminated from this compact upon an affirmative vote of a majority of the delegates  
23 of the member states, and all rights, privileges, and benefits conferred on that state  
24 by this compact may be terminated on the effective date of termination. A cure of  
25 the default does not relieve the offending state of obligations or liabilities incurred  
26 during the period of default.

27 D. Termination of membership in this compact shall be imposed only after  
28 all other means of securing compliance have been exhausted. Notice of intent to  
29 suspend or terminate shall be given by the compact commission to the governor, the

majority and minority leaders of the defaulting state's legislature, the defaulting state's licensing authority, and each of the member states' licensing authority.

E. A state that has been terminated is responsible for all assessments, obligations, and liabilities incurred through the effective date of termination, including obligations that extend beyond the effective date of termination.

F. Upon the termination of a state's membership from this compact, that state shall immediately provide notice to all licensees within that state of such termination. The terminated state shall continue to recognize all compact privileges granted pursuant to this compact for a minimum of six months after the date of said notice of termination.

G. The compact commission shall not bear any costs related to a state that is found to be in default or that has been terminated from this compact unless agreed upon in writing between the compact commission and the defaulting state.

H. The defaulting state may appeal the action of the compact commission by petitioning the United States District Court for the District of Columbia or the federal district where the compact commission has its principal offices. The prevailing party shall be awarded all costs of such litigation, including reasonable attorney's fees.

I. Dispute resolution.

(1) Upon request by a member state, the compact commission shall attempt to resolve disputes related to this compact that arise among member states and between member and non-member states.

(2) The compact commission shall promulgate a rule providing for both mediation and binding dispute resolution for disputes as appropriate.

J. Enforcement.

(1) By supermajority vote, the compact commission may initiate legal action against a member state in default in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia or the federal district where the compact commission has its principal offices to enforce compliance with the provisions of the compact and its promulgated rules. The relief sought may include both injunctive relief and damages. In the event judicial enforcement is necessary, the prevailing party shall be awarded all

1 costs of such litigation, including reasonable attorney's fees. The remedies herein  
2 shall not be the exclusive remedies of the compact commission. The compact  
3 commission may pursue any other remedies available under federal or the defaulting  
4 member state's law.

5 (2) A member state may initiate legal action against the compact commission  
6 in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia or the federal district  
7 where the compact commission has its principal offices to enforce compliance with  
8 the provisions of the compact and its promulgated rules. The relief sought may  
9 include both injunctive relief and damages. In the event judicial enforcement is  
10 necessary, the prevailing party shall be awarded all costs of such litigation, including  
11 reasonable attorney's fees.

12 (3) No party other than a member state shall enforce this compact against the  
13 compact commission.

14 SECTION 12. EFFECTIVE DATE, WITHDRAWAL, AND AMENDMENT

15 A.(1) The compact shall come into effect on the date on which this compact  
16 statute is enacted into law in the seventh member state.

17 (2)(a) On or after the effective date of the compact, the compact commission  
18 shall convene and review the enactment of each of the first seven member states,  
19 known as charter member states, to determine if the statute enacted by each such  
20 charter member state is materially different than the model compact statute.

21 (b) A charter member state whose enactment is found to be materially  
22 different from the model compact statute shall be entitled to the default process set  
23 forth in Section 11 of this compact.

24 (c) If any member state is later found to be in default, or is terminated, or  
25 withdraws from the compact, the compact commission shall remain in existence and  
26 the compact shall remain in effect even if the number of member states should be  
27 less than seven.

28 (3) Member states enacting the compact subsequent to the seven initial  
29 charter member states shall be subject to the process set forth in Section 8(C)(21) of

1        this compact to determine if their enactments are materially different from the model  
2        compact statute and whether they qualify for participation in the compact.

3                (4) All actions taken for the benefit of the compact commission or in  
4        furtherance of the purposes of the administration of the compact prior to the effective  
5        date of the compact or the compact commission coming into existence are considered  
6        actions of the compact commission unless specifically repudiated by the compact  
7        commission.

8                (5) Any state that joins the compact subsequent to the compact commission's  
9        initial adoption of the rules and bylaws shall be subject to the rules and bylaws as  
10       they exist on the date on which the compact becomes law in that state. Any rule that  
11       has been previously adopted by the compact commission shall have the full force and  
12       effect of law on the day the compact becomes law in that state.

13               B.(1) Any member state may withdraw from this compact by enacting a  
14       statute repealing the same.

15               (2) A member state's withdrawal shall not take effect until one hundred and  
16       eighty days after enactment of the repealing statute.

17               (3) Withdrawal shall not affect the continuing requirement of the  
18       withdrawing state's licensing authority to comply with the investigative and adverse  
19       action reporting requirements of this compact prior to the effective date of  
20       withdrawal.

21               (4) Upon the enactment of a statute withdrawing from this compact, a state  
22       shall immediately provide notice of such withdrawal to all licensees within that state.  
23       Notwithstanding any subsequent statutory enactment to the contrary, such  
24       withdrawing state shall continue to recognize all compact privileges granted pursuant  
25       to this compact for a minimum of one hundred and eighty days after the date of such  
26       notice of withdrawal.

27               C. Nothing contained in this compact shall be construed to invalidate or  
28       prevent any licensure agreement or other cooperative arrangement between a  
29       member state and a non-member state that does not conflict with the provisions of  
30       this compact.

1                   D. This compact may be amended by the member states. No amendment to  
2                   this compact shall become effective and binding upon any member state until it is  
3                   enacted into the laws of all member states.

4                   SECTION 13. CONSTRUCTION AND SEVERABILITY

5                   A. This compact and the compact commission's rulemaking authority shall  
6                   be liberally construed so as to effectuate the purposes and the implementation and  
7                   administration of the compact. Provisions of the compact expressly authorizing or  
8                   requiring the promulgation of rules shall not be construed to limit the compact  
9                   commission's rulemaking authority solely for those purposes.

10                  B. The provisions of this compact shall be severable and if any phrase,  
11                  clause, sentence, or provision of this compact is held by a court of competent  
12                  jurisdiction to be contrary to the constitution of any member state, a state seeking  
13                  participation in the compact, or of the United States, or the applicability thereof to  
14                  any government, agency, person, or circumstance is held to be unconstitutional by  
15                  a court of competent jurisdiction, the validity of the remainder of this compact and  
16                  the applicability thereof to any other government, agency, person, or circumstance  
17                  shall not be affected thereby.

18                  C. Notwithstanding Section 13(B) of this compact, the compact commission  
19                  may deny a state's participation in the compact or, in accordance with the  
20                  requirements of Section 11(B) of this compact, terminate a member state's  
21                  participation in the compact, if it determines that a constitutional requirement of a  
22                  member state is a material departure from the compact. Otherwise, if this compact  
23                  is held to be contrary to the constitution of any member state, the compact shall  
24                  remain in full force and effect as to the remaining member states and in full force  
25                  and effect as to the member state affected as to all severable matters.

26                  SECTION 14. CONSISTENT EFFECT AND CONFLICT WITH OTHER STATE

27                                  LAWS

28                  A. Nothing herein shall prevent or inhibit the enforcement of any other law  
29                  of a member state that is not inconsistent with this compact.

B. Any laws, statutes, regulations, or other legal requirements in a member  
state in conflict with the compact are superseded to the extent of the conflict.

C. All permissible agreements between the compact commission and the member states are binding in accordance with their terms.

Section 2. R.S. 44:4.1(B)(24) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

## §4.1. Exceptions

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B. The legislature further recognizes that there exist exceptions, exemptions, and limitations to the laws pertaining to public records throughout the revised statutes and codes of this state. Therefore, the following exceptions, exemptions, and limitations are hereby continued in effect by incorporation into this Chapter by citation:

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(24) R.S. 37:74, 86, 90, 147, 691, 711.10, 763, 763.1, 781, 920.1, 969.1, 1123(E), 1277, 1278, 1285, 1326, 1338.1, 1360.53.1, 1360.104.1, 1518, 1745.15, 1747, 1806, 2156.1, 2406, 2505.1, 2863.1, 3095.1, 3276.2, 3481, 3507.1

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Section 3. The Louisiana State Law Institute is hereby authorized and directed to designate R.S. 37:3081 through 3094 as "PART I. LICENSING AND REGULATING DIETITIANS AND NUTRITIONISTS".

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_