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The Honorable Jim Cooper
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 6025
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 359 (Cooper) – Neutral Position

Dear Assemblymember Cooper:

Thank you for your August 26, 2021, amendments to AB 359 that clarify the licensing pathways available to out-of-state licensees who seek a physician and surgeon license in California.

Those amendments addressed the Medical Board of California's (Board) concerns with AB 359, as contained in its Oppose, Unless Amended position adopted during its August 19-20 meeting. Therefore, the Board is now neutral on this legislation.

Please contact Aaron Bone, Chief of Legislation and Public Affairs, at (916) 274-6251 or via email at Aaron.Bone@mbc.ca.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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