

RESOLUTION

Subject: Due Process Protections for Physicians

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Referred to: Reference Committee

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WHEREAS, licensed health professionals have invested substantial effort and means towards achieving their professional status; and

WHEREAS, current state and federal statute as well as case law provides certain due process protections for licensed health professionals; and

WHEREAS, a greater proportion of health professionals in the Commonwealth are in employment arrangements where the employer has substantial discretion over their current and future careers; and

WHEREAS, disciplinary actions taken by regulatory boards and employers can result in substantial detrimental impact upon individual professionals' current and future careers including licensure and data bank reporting; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Kentucky Medical Association support regulatory and/or legislative action that upholds due process protections for physicians; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Kentucky Medical Association support due process protections for physicians that require regulatory boards and employers to demonstrate that proposed actions against physicians are least disruptive to the patients they serve and to their professional careers.