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BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING Board Meeting Agenda Item Summary

AGENDA ITEM: 5.1 **DATE:** August 20-21, 2025

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion and Possible Action: Legislative Update Overview of the

2026 BRN Review Sunset Review process and legislative requests

REQUESTED BY: Dolores Trujillo, President

BACKGROUND:

Each year, the Assembly Business and Professions Committee and the Senate Business, Professions, and Economic Development Committee conduct joint sunset review oversight hearings to review the boards and bureaus within the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA). These boards and bureaus are responsible for protecting consumers and the public and regulating the professionals they license. The sunset review process offers the DCA, the Legislature, the boards, and other stakeholders an opportunity to assess board performance and propose recommendations for improvement.

This comprehensive process allows the Legislature to review the laws and regulations governing each board, assess its programs and policies, determine whether it is effectively fulfilling its regulatory responsibilities and statutory mandates. It also includes a review of fiscal management practices and financial relationships with other agencies. Through Sunset Review Oversight, boards are also evaluated on key performance measures, such as timeliness of actions, enforcement activities, to ensure they meet the needs of California consumers while promoting regulatory efficiency and effectiveness.

The BRN's sunset review is scheduled for 2026; however, preparatory work on the report is underway. The initial sections of the Board's report provide an overview of the Board's current regulatory program and include data tables and charts. The latter sections address the Board's responses to specific issues either raised by the Board or identified during the previous Sunset Review Oversight. During this meeting, we are seeking input on any legislative proposals or requests the Board would like to put forward.

We will be drafting the report with the goal of presenting it to the Nurse Practice Committee in October for edits, followed by Board approval in November. The final Sunset Report is due to the Legislature for review on or before January 5, 2026.

RESOURCES:

Prior BRN Sunset Reports, background papers, and other reports submitted to the Legislature are below:

- 2022 Sunset Review Report
 - o March 18, 2022 Background Paper
 - BRN Response to Issues Identified in Sunset Background Paper
 - Overview of Recent State Auditor Reports on the BRN
- 2020 Sunset Review Report

- o Attachments
- o May 19, 2021 Background Paper
- 2016 Supplemental Sunset Review
 - o March 6, 2017 Background Paper
- 2014 Sunset Report
 - o Attachments
 - o March 23, 2015 Background Paper
- 2010 Sunset Review Report
 - o <u>Addendum</u>
 - o Sunset Review Issues and BRN Response
- 2002 Sunset Report

NEXT STEPS: None

FISCAL IMPACT, IF ANY: None

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