



The Honorable Bernie Sanders
U.S. Senate
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Washington, DC 20510
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Re: Support for S.1024 Healthcare Workforce Resilience Act

Dear Senator Sanders,

On behalf of our physician and medical student members in Vermont, we are asking for your support on S. 1024, Healthcare Workforce Resilience Act. The Healthcare Workforce Resilience Act is bipartisan legislation designed to address the shortage of physicians and nurses and augment the nation's health care workforce. Specifically, the bill allows the recapture of 15,000 immigrant visas for physicians as well as 25,000 visas for nurses. The bill further authorizes visas to be issued for the immediate families of these physicians and nurses; however, these visas would not count toward the 40,000 limit.

The Vermont Medical Society (VMS) works closely with the American Medical Association (AMA) and their letter attached reflects our sentiment on the bill as well.

We hope you will join with Senator Leahy in cosponsoring this bill and we thank you for your continuous support for the physicians of Vermont and nationwide.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jessa Barnard".

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