

2026 SESSION

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1 **SENATE BILL NO. 194**

2 Offered January 14, 2026

3 Prefiled January 9, 2026

4 *A BILL to direct the Board of Medicine and the Board of Nursing to establish continuing education*
5 *requirements on the electronic death registration system for and require an attestation on the*
6 *requirements of the timely signing of death certificates by physicians and advanced practice registered*
7 *nurses authorized to practice independently.*

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10 Referred to Committee on Education and Health

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12 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

13 1. *That the Board of Medicine and the Board of Nursing shall, in collaboration with the Virginia Office*
14 *of Vital Records, establish a continuing education course for the electronic death registration system as a*
15 *requirement of licensure and licensure renewal for physicians and advanced practice registered nurses who*
16 *are authorized to practice without a practice agreement pursuant to subsection I of § 54.1-2957 of the Code*
17 *of Virginia.*

18 2. *That the Board of Medicine and the Board of Nursing shall include in their licensure and licensure*
19 *renewal applications process an attestation by physicians and advanced practice registered nurses who are*
20 *authorized to practice without a practice agreement pursuant to subsection I of § 54.1-2957 of the Code of*
21 *Virginia acknowledging the requirements of the timely signing of death certificates pursuant to § 32.1-263 of*
22 *the Code of Virginia.*

23 2. **That the Board of Medicine and the Board of Nursing shall promulgate regulations to implement the**
24 **provisions of this act to be effective within 280 days of its enactment.**

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