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**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2025 REGULAR SESSION**

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**SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION**

*{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}*

**Date Prepared:** 2/6/2025 *Check all that apply:*  
**Bill Number:** H 247 Original X  Correction   
 Amendment  Substitute

**Sponsor:** Pamelya Herndon **Agency Name and Code** 449 Board of Nursing  
**Short Title:** Health Care Practitioner Transparency Act **Number:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT**

**APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26		
0	0	0	0

(Parenthesis ( ) indicate expenditure decreases)

**REVENUE (dollars in thousands)**

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26	FY27		
0	0	0	0	0

(Parenthesis ( ) indicate revenue decreases)

**ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)**

	FY25	FY26	FY27	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
<b>Total</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:  
Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

### **SECTION III: NARRATIVE**

#### **BILL SUMMARY**

Synopsis: This bill would enact rules regarding transparency in titles for health care professions.

The public deserves to know who is providing their health care.

#### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

None for BON. BON presently advises and advocates for transparency in titles based on complaints.

Note: major assumptions underlying fiscal impact should be documented.

Note: if additional operating budget impact is estimated, assumptions and calculations should be reported in this section.

#### **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

The first doctoral-prepared trades were professors in non-health care professions. The clarification about setting is helpful to avoid confusion of honorary titles. The BON would need to promulgate rules and enforce penalties.

#### **PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

None.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

The BON would need to promulgate rules and enforce penalties.

#### **CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP**

None.

#### **TECHNICAL ISSUES**

None.

#### **OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

None.

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

#### **WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL**

Transparency for the public may not be achieved. If the term “doctor” is not limited to physicians as currently proposed, at a minimum specification of licensure and education should be considered as a mandatory requirement.

#### **AMENDMENTS**