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**House Committee on Public Health**  
**House Bill 3614 by Rep. Katrina Pierson**  
**Testimony Submitted on Behalf of the Texas Medical Association**  
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Honorable Chair VanDeaver, Vice Chair Campos, and committee members:

The Texas Medical Association (TMA), representing more than 59,000 physician and medical student members across the state, appreciates the opportunity to submit comments *in support* of House Bill 3614.

Our association supports increasing transparency to the public about the education, experience, and any disciplinary action against individuals licensed to practice nursing in this state.

HB 3614 would make several changes to the Nursing Practice Act to expand the publicly available information about nurses licensed to provide care in this state. The bill would require that certain disciplinary actions against a nurse may not be removed from the Board of Nursing's webpage until at least five years from the date of the disciplinary action have passed. The bill also would require the Board of Nursing to post an online profile for each nurse licensed in Texas, similar to what is currently available from the Medical Board for physicians licensed in this state.

The information posted by the Board of Nursing would include the names of the nurse's educational programs and graduation dates, and the number of years the nurse has actively practiced nursing. With the increase in advanced practice nursing degrees being obtained through online programs – and less experienced nurses entering into these programs – more transparency regarding a nurse's education and experience is important for informing patients about the qualifications of individuals providing their care.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. For further questions, please contact Michelle Romero, TMA associate vice president of Public Affairs, at [michelle.romero@texmed.org](mailto:michelle.romero@texmed.org).