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Hi All,

Last Wednesday, SB 1374 successfully passed the House Health Committee. But its members were interested in having some changes made to the bill. First, the continuation provision of the legislation will be placed on a separate bill. That will happen on Wednesday in House Appropriations when a strike-everything amendment will be placed on SB 1432 containing the continuation of the BBHE. **PLEASE SIGN IN ON ALIS IN SUPPORT OF THE AMENDMENT AND CONTINUATION OF THE BOARD.** You can do that here: <http://alistrack.azleg.gov/rts/login.asp>

Then, at the request of the Committee and with the concurrence of the sponsor, the "look back" provision will be removed and replaced with an enhanced re-application process in a floor amendment to be adopted on the House floor. There were concerns about the technical application of the "look back" provision. Following consultation with attorneys who have worked with the board, it was decided that a re-application procedure would be less expensive and burdensome to the applicants. The floor amendment will also contain the provisions of the House Health Committee amendment as well as some other clarifying language related to effective dates.

It will be probably be late next week or the following week before these bills go to the floor of the House. In the meantime, please continue to make contact with House members urging them to support SB 1374. You can find your legislators here: <http://www.azleg.gov/alisStaticPages/HowToContactMember.asp> .

Sincerely,

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