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## **SB 425: Required Reporting to Licensing Board**

This bill, effective January 1, 2020, requires any health care facility or other entity for which a healing arts licensee practices to make a report to the applicable licensing board within 15 days of receiving any written allegations of sexual abuse or sexual misconduct from a patient or a patient's representative.

- The Board must keep such a report confidential.
- A willful failure to file the report is punishable by a fine of up to \$100,000 per violation. Any failure to file the report is punishable by a fine of up to \$50,000 per violation.
- The Board is required to investigate the underlying circumstances upon receiving any such report.

**Code Section: BPC §805.8**

### **Is this Reporting Requirement Applicable to all Practice Settings?**

Yes, the reporting requirement applies to any setting that makes any arrangement under which a Board licensee or registrant is allowed to practice or provide care for patients.

### **How do I File the Required Report?**

You may file the required report by visiting the following link and clicking on the "File a Complaint" button:

[https://www.breeze.ca.gov/datamart/mainMenu.do;jsessionid=6krH5lal\\_NPX3HsaNBPRBGFim5ygacMxsML7CnqJ.vo-4-jbspj](https://www.breeze.ca.gov/datamart/mainMenu.do;jsessionid=6krH5lal_NPX3HsaNBPRBGFim5ygacMxsML7CnqJ.vo-4-jbspj)