

# Vermont Lyme Doctor Protection Bill Signed Into Law

Over vehement objections by the Vermont Board of medical practice and others, Vermont Governor Shumlin signed Act 134 ([Click here to read Act 134](#)) into law on May 22, 2014. The law directs the Board to adopt a policy statement stating they will not discipline licensees based solely on their long-term antibiotic treatment practices in accordance with Lyme guidelines issued by the International Lyme & Associated Diseases Society (ILADS). Shortly after the law was signed, the Board complied by issuing a Board Policy ([Click here to read Board Policy](#)) which included language on what the licensee may be disciplined for while practicing within those guidelines.