HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 1145

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code,"

by amending sections 17048 and 17548 (MCL 333.17048 and 333.17548), sections 17048 and 17548 as amended by 2011 PA 210.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 17048. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section
- 2 and section 17049(5), a physician who is a sole practitioner or who
- 3 practices in a group of physicians and treats patients on an
- 4 outpatient basis shall not supervise more than 4 physician's
- 5 assistants. If a physician described in this subsection supervises
- 6 physician's assistants at more than 1 practice site, the physician
- 7 shall not supervise more than 2 physician's assistants by a method
- 8 other than the physician's actual physical presence at the practice

- 1 site.
- 2 (2) A physician who is employed by, under contract or
- 3 subcontract to, or has privileges at a health facility or agency
- 4 licensed under article 17 or a state correctional facility may
- 5 supervise more than 4 physician's assistants at the health facility

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- 6 or agency or state correctional facility.
- 7 (3) To the extent that a particular selected medical care
- 8 service requires extensive medical training, education, or ability
- 9 or poses serious risks to the health and safety of patients, the
- 10 board may prohibit or otherwise restrict the delegation of that
- 11 medical care service or may require higher levels of supervision.
- 12 (4) A physician shall not delegate ultimate responsibility for
- 13 the quality of medical care services, even if the medical care
- 14 services are provided by a physician's assistant.
- 15 (5) The SUBJECT TO SECTION 17076(3) AND (4), THE board may
- 16 promulgate rules for the delegation by a supervising physician to a
- 17 physician's assistant of the function of prescription of drugs. The
- 18 rules may define the drugs or classes of drugs the prescription of
- 19 which shall not be delegated and other procedures and protocols
- 20 necessary to promote consistency with federal and state drug
- 21 control and enforcement laws. When delegated prescription occurs,
- 22 both the physician's assistant's name and the supervising
- 23 physician's name shall be used, recorded, or otherwise indicated in
- 24 connection with each individual prescription.
- 25 (6) A supervising physician may delegate in writing to a
- 26 physician's assistant the ordering, receipt, and dispensing of
- 27 complimentary starter dose drugs including controlled substances

- 1 that are included in schedules 2 to 5 of part 72. When the
- 2 delegated ordering, receipt, or dispensing of complimentary starter
- 3 dose drugs occurs, both the physician's assistant's name and the
- 4 supervising physician's name shall be used, recorded, or otherwise
- 5 indicated in connection with each order, receipt, or dispensing.
- 6 When the delegated ordering, receipt, or dispensing of
- 7 complimentary starter dose drugs that are included in schedules 2
- 8 to 5 occurs, both the physician's assistant's and the supervising
- 9 physician's DEA registration numbers shall be used, recorded, or
- 10 otherwise indicated in connection with each order, receipt, or
- 11 dispensing. As used in this subsection, "complimentary starter
- 12 dose" means that term as defined in section 17745. It is the intent
- 13 of the legislature in enacting this subsection to allow a
- 14 pharmaceutical manufacturer or wholesale distributor, as those
- 15 terms are defined in part 177, to distribute complimentary starter
- 16 dose drugs to a physician's assistant, as described in this
- 17 subsection, in compliance with section 503(d) of the federal food,
- 18 drug, and cosmetic act, 21 USC 353.
- 19 (7) Beginning on July 19, 2010, if 1 or more individuals
- 20 licensed under part 170 to engage in the practice of medicine,
- 21 licensed under part 175 to engage in the practice of osteopathic
- 22 medicine and surgery, or licensed under part 180 to engage in the
- 23 practice of podiatric medicine and surgery, and 1 or more
- 24 physician's assistants organize a professional service corporation
- 25 pursuant to UNDER section 4 of the professional service corporation
- 26 act, FORMER 1962 PA 192, MCL 450.224, A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION
- 27 UNDER SECTION 284 OF THE BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT, 1972 PA 284, MCL

- 1 450.1284, or a professional limited liability company pursuant to
- 2 UNDER section 904 of the Michigan limited liability company act,
- 3 1993 PA 23, MCL 450.4904, the individuals who are the supervising
- 4 physicians of the physician's assistants shall be shareholders in
- 5 the same professional service corporation OR PROFESSIONAL
- 6 CORPORATION or members in the same professional limited liability
- 7 company as the physician's assistants and shall meet all of the
- 8 applicable requirements of part 170, 175, or 180. If 1 or more
- 9 physician's assistants organized a professional service corporation
- 10 pursuant to UNDER section 4 of the professional service corporation
- 11 act, FORMER 1962 PA 192, MCL 450.224, A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION
- 12 UNDER SECTION 284 OF THE BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT, 1972 PA 284, MCL
- 13 450.1284, or a professional limited liability company pursuant to
- 14 UNDER section 904 of the Michigan limited liability company act,
- 15 1993 PA 23, MCL 450.4904, before July 19, 2010 that has only
- 16 physician's assistants as shareholders or members, the individuals
- 17 who are the supervising physicians of the physician's assistants
- 18 shall meet all of the applicable requirements of part 170, 175, or
- **19** 180.
- 20 (8) In addition to the requirements of section 17068 and
- 21 beginning on July 19, 2010, the department shall include on the
- 22 form used for renewal of licensure a space for a physician's
- 23 assistant to disclose whether he or she is a shareholder in a
- 24 professional service corporation pursuant to UNDER section 4 of the
- 25 professional service corporation act, FORMER 1962 PA 192, MCL
- 26 450.224, or a member in a professional limited liability company
- 27 pursuant to UNDER section 904 of the Michigan limited liability

- 1 company act, 1993 PA 23, MCL 450.4904, which corporation or company
- 2 THAT was organized before July 19, 2010. A physician's assistant
- 3 who is a shareholder in a professional service corporation or a
- 4 member in a professional limited liability company described in
- 5 this subsection shall disclose all of the following in the form
- 6 used for renewal of licensure provided by the department:
- 7 (a) Whether any individuals licensed under part 170 to engage
- 8 in the practice of medicine, licensed under part 175 to engage in
- 9 the practice of osteopathic medicine and surgery, or licensed under
- 10 part 180 to engage in the practice of podiatric medicine and
- 11 surgery are shareholders in the professional service corporation or
- 12 members in the professional limited liability company.
- 13 (b) The name and license number of the individual licensed
- 14 under part 170 to engage in the practice of medicine, licensed
- 15 under part 175 to engage in the practice of osteopathic medicine
- 16 and surgery, or licensed under part 180 to engage in the practice
- 17 of podiatric medicine and surgery who supervises the physician's
- 18 assistant.
- 19 (c) Whether the individual licensed under part 170 to engage
- 20 in the practice of medicine, licensed under part 175 to engage in
- 21 the practice of osteopathic medicine and surgery, or licensed under
- 22 part 180 to engage in the practice of podiatric medicine and
- 23 surgery disclosed in subdivision (b) is a shareholder in the same
- 24 professional service corporation or member in a professional
- 25 limited liability company as the physician's assistant.
- 26 Sec. 17548. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this
- 27 subsection and section 17549(5), a physician who is a sole

- 1 practitioner or who practices in a group of physicians and treats
- 2 patients on an outpatient basis shall not supervise more than 4
- 3 physician's assistants. If a physician described in this subsection
- 4 supervises physician's assistants at more than 1 practice site, the
- 5 physician shall not supervise more than 2 physician's assistants by
- 6 a method other than the physician's actual physical presence at the
- 7 practice site.
- 8 (2) A physician who is employed by or under contract or
- 9 subcontract to or has privileges at a health facility licensed
- 10 under article 17 or a state correctional facility may supervise
- 11 more than 4 physician's assistants at the health facility or agency
- 12 or state correctional facility.
- 13 (3) To the extent that a particular selected medical care
- 14 service requires extensive medical training, education, or ability
- 15 or pose serious risks to the health and safety of patients, the
- 16 board may prohibit or otherwise restrict the delegation of that
- 17 medical care service or may require higher levels of supervision.
- 18 (4) A physician shall not delegate ultimate responsibility for
- 19 the quality of medical care services, even if the medical care
- 20 services are provided by a physician's assistant.
- 21 (5) A PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT MAY MAKE CALLS OR GO ON ROUNDS
- 22 UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A PHYSICIAN IN PRIVATE HOMES, PUBLIC
- 23 INSTITUTIONS, EMERGENCY VEHICLES, AMBULATORY CARE CLINICS,
- 24 HOSPITALS, INTERMEDIATE OR EXTENDED CARE FACILITIES, HEALTH
- 25 MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS, NURSING HOMES, OR OTHER HEALTH CARE
- 26 FACILITIES. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LAW OR RULE TO THE CONTRARY, A
- 27 PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT MAY MAKE CALLS OR GO ON ROUNDS AS PROVIDED IN

- 1 THIS SUBSECTION WITHOUT RESTRICTIONS ON THE TIME OR FREQUENCY OF
- 2 VISITS BY THE PHYSICIAN OR THE PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT.
- 3 (6) (5) The SUBJECT TO SUBSECTIONS (7) AND (8), THE board may
- 4 promulgate rules for the delegation by a supervising physician to a
- 5 physician's assistant of the function of prescription of drugs. The
- 6 SUBJECT TO SUBSECTIONS (7) AND (8), THE rules may define the drugs
- 7 or classes of drugs the prescription of which shall not be
- 8 delegated and other procedures and protocols necessary to promote
- 9 consistency with federal and state drug control and enforcement
- 10 laws. When delegated prescription occurs, both the physician's
- 11 assistant's name and the supervising physician's name shall be
- 12 used, recorded, or otherwise indicated in connection with each
- 13 individual prescription.
- 14 (7) A PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT MAY PRESCRIBE DRUGS AS A DELEGATED
- 15 ACT OF A SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROCEDURES AND
- 16 PROTOCOL FOR THE PRESCRIPTION ESTABLISHED BY RULE OF THE
- 17 APPROPRIATE BOARD. A PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT MAY PRESCRIBE A DRUG,
- 18 INCLUDING A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE THAT IS INCLUDED IN SCHEDULES 2 TO
- 19 5 OF PART 72, AS A DELEGATED ACT OF THE SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN. WHEN
- 20 DELEGATED PRESCRIPTION OCCURS, BOTH THE PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT'S
- 21 NAME AND THE SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN'S NAME SHALL BE USED, RECORDED,
- 22 OR OTHERWISE INDICATED IN CONNECTION WITH EACH INDIVIDUAL
- 23 PRESCRIPTION SO THAT THE INDIVIDUAL WHO DISPENSES OR ADMINISTERS
- 24 THE PRESCRIPTION KNOWS UNDER WHOSE DELEGATED AUTHORITY THE
- 25 PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT IS PRESCRIBING. WHEN DELEGATED PRESCRIPTION
- 26 OF DRUGS THAT ARE INCLUDED IN SCHEDULES 2 TO 5 OCCURS, BOTH THE
- 27 PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT'S AND THE SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN'S DEA

- 1 REGISTRATION NUMBERS SHALL BE USED, RECORDED, OR OTHERWISE
- 2 INDICATED IN CONNECTION WITH EACH INDIVIDUAL PRESCRIPTION.
- 3 (8) (6) A supervising physician may delegate in writing to a
- 4 physician's assistant the ordering, receipt, and dispensing of
- 5 complimentary starter dose drugs including controlled substances
- 6 that are included in schedules 2 to 5 of part 72. When the
- 7 delegated ordering, receipt, or dispensing of complimentary starter
- 8 dose drugs occurs, both the physician's assistant's name and the
- 9 supervising physician's name shall be used, recorded, or otherwise
- 10 indicated in connection with each order, receipt, or dispensing.
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- 13 to 5 occurs, both the physician's assistant's and the supervising
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- 18 of the legislature in enacting this subsection to allow a
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- 21 dose drugs to a physician's assistant, as described in this
- 22 subsection, in compliance with section 503(d) of the federal food,
- 23 drug, and cosmetic act, 21 USC 353.
- 24 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 25 unless Senate Bill No. 1320 of the 96th Legislature is enacted into
- 26 law.