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Senate Bill 384 (Substitute S-1 as reported)  
Sponsor: Senator Jim Marleau  
Committee: Health Policy

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Public Health Code to do the following:

- Allow a physician's assistant (PA) to prescribe controlled substances in Schedules 2 through 5 under the delegation of a supervising physician.
- Provide that a physician would not have to sign an official form that listed his or her signature as the required signatory if the form were signed by a PA to whom the physician had delegated the performance of medical care services, notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary.
- Allow a PA to make calls or go on rounds without restrictions on the time or frequency of visits by the supervising physician or the PA, notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary.
- Refer to a PA to whom a physician has delegated the performance of certain tasks, in provisions regarding the prescription and dispensing of drugs and a patient rights policy adopted by a health facility or agency.

MCL 333.17048 et al.

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### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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