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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

The Committee on Health Policy (Harrell) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 16 - 66

and insert:

(a) The council shall consist of six ~~five~~ members appointed as follows:

1. The chairperson of the Board of Medicine shall appoint two ~~three~~ members who are physicians and members of the Board of Medicine. At least one of the physicians must supervise a physician assistant in the physician's practice.



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11 2. The chairperson of the Board of Osteopathic Medicine
12 shall appoint one member who is a physician and ~~a~~ member of the
13 Board of Osteopathic Medicine.

14 3. The State Surgeon General or his or her designee shall
15 appoint three ~~a~~ fully licensed physician assistants ~~assistant~~
16 licensed under this chapter or chapter 459.

17 (b) At least two of the members appointed to the council
18 must be physicians who supervise physician assistants in their
19 practice. Members shall be appointed to terms of 4 years, ~~except~~
20 ~~that of the initial appointments, two members shall be appointed~~
21 ~~to terms of 2 years, two members shall be appointed to terms of~~
22 ~~3 years, and one member shall be appointed to a term of 4 years,~~
23 ~~as established by rule of the boards.~~ Council members may not
24 serve more than two consecutive terms. The council shall
25 annually elect a chairperson from among its members. For any
26 given year, if the election of a chairperson ends in a tie vote,
27 the State Surgeon General shall select the chairperson from
28 among the council members.

29 Section 2. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (9) of
30 section 459.022, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

31 459.022 Physician assistants.—

32 (9) COUNCIL ON PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS.—The Council on
33 Physician Assistants is created within the department.

34 (a) The council shall consist of six ~~five~~ members appointed
35 as follows:

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37 two ~~three~~ members who are physicians and members of the Board of
38 Medicine. At least one of the physicians must supervise a
39 physician assistant in the physician's practice.



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41 shall appoint one member who is a physician and a member of the
42 Board of Osteopathic Medicine.

43 3. The State Surgeon General or her or his designee shall
44 appoint three a fully licensed physician assistants ~~assistant~~
45 licensed under chapter 458 or this chapter.

46 (b) At least two of the members appointed to the council
47 must be physicians who supervise physician assistants in their
48 practice. Members shall be appointed to terms of 4 years, ~~except~~
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