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Prime Sponsor: Baldwin

Catch Title: Physician assistants amendments.

Subject: Physician assistants: practice of medicine.

Summary/Major Elements:

 This act authorizes fully licensed physician assistants to practice medicine without the supervision of a physician, as required by current law. The act provides that physician assistants are qualified by their education, training and experience to provide a broad range of diagnostic, therapeutic and disease prevention services.

- Certain physician assistants who are temporarily licensed by the Wyoming State Board of Medicine may be required, under Board rules, to be supervised by a physician assistant who has five (5) or more years of experience or by a licensed physician.
- The act authorizes physician assistants to prescribe schedule II through V drugs, but not schedule I drugs.
- The act imposes consumer protection requirements on physician assistants who practice medicine. Advertisements for a physician assistant must identify the physician assistant's license. Physician assistants must wear a name tag during all patient encounters that identifies the physician assistant's license and that contains an identifying photo. Physician assistants must display their license conspicuously in their office.

Comments:

• This act has an effective date of January 1, 2022.

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