

1 (8) if alternate physician supervision is to be
2 utilized, designate one or more alternate physicians who may:

3 (A) provide appropriate supervision on a
4 temporary basis in accordance with the requirements established by
5 the prescriptive authority agreement and the requirements of this
6 subchapter; and

7 (B) participate in the prescriptive authority
8 quality assurance and improvement plan meetings required under this
9 section; and

10 (9) describe a prescriptive authority quality
11 assurance and improvement plan and specify methods for documenting
12 the implementation of the plan that include the following:

13 (A) chart review, with the number of charts to be
14 reviewed determined by the physician and advanced practice
15 registered nurse or physician assistant; and

16 (B) [~~if the agreement is between a physician and~~
17 ~~an advanced practice registered nurse,~~] periodic [~~face-to-face~~]
18 meetings between the advanced practice registered nurse or
19 physician assistant and the physician [~~at a location determined by~~
20 ~~the physician and the advanced practice registered nurse; and~~

21 [~~(C) if the agreement is between a physician and~~
22 ~~a physician assistant, periodic meetings between the physician~~
23 ~~assistant and the physician].~~

24 (f) The periodic [~~face-to-face~~] meetings described by
25 Subsection (e)(9)(B) must:

26 (1) include:

27 (A) the sharing of information relating to

1 patient treatment and care, needed changes in patient care plans,
2 and issues relating to referrals; and

3 (B) discussion of patient care improvement;
4 ~~and]~~

5 (2) be documented; and

6 (3) take place at least once a month in a manner
7 determined by the physician and the advanced practice registered
8 nurse or physician assistant ~~[occur:~~

9 [~~(A) except as provided by Paragraph (B):~~

10 [~~(i) at least monthly until the third~~
11 ~~anniversary of the date the agreement is executed; and~~

12 [~~(ii) at least quarterly after the third~~
13 ~~anniversary of the date the agreement is executed, with monthly~~
14 ~~meetings held between the quarterly meetings by means of a remote~~
15 ~~electronic communications system, including videoconferencing~~
16 ~~technology or the Internet; or~~

17 [~~(B) if during the seven years preceding the date~~
18 ~~the agreement is executed the advanced practice registered nurse~~
19 ~~for at least five years was in a practice that included the exercise~~
20 ~~of prescriptive authority with required physician supervision:~~

21 [~~(i) at least monthly until the first~~
22 ~~anniversary of the date the agreement is executed; and~~

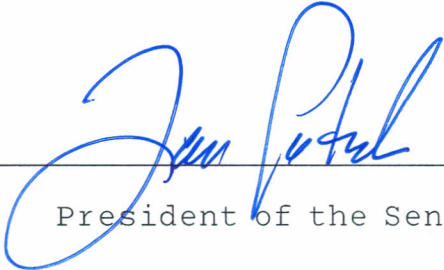
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27 ~~technology or the Internet].~~

1 SECTION 2. Section 157.0512(f-1), Occupations Code, is
2 repealed.

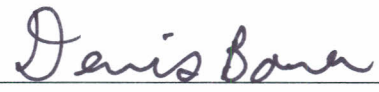
3 SECTION 3. Section 157.0512, Occupations Code, as amended
4 by this Act, applies only to a prescriptive authority agreement
5 entered into on or after the effective date of this Act. An
6 agreement entered into before the effective date of this Act is
7 governed by the law in effect on the date the agreement was entered
8 into, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

9 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

H.B. No. 278



President of the Senate



Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 278 was passed by the House on April 12, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.



Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 278 was passed by the Senate on May 3, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.



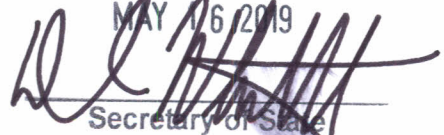
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