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Representative Drake offered the following:

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Amendment to Amendment (535476) (with title amendment)

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Remove lines 6-760 and insert:

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Section 6. Subsection (7) of section 400.506, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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400.506 Licensure of nurse registries; requirements; penalties.—

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(7) A person who is referred by a nurse registry for contract in private residences and who is not a nurse licensed under part I of chapter 464 may perform only those services or care to clients that the person has been certified to perform or trained to perform as required by law or rules of the Agency for

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Health Care Administration or the Department of Business and Professional Regulation. Providing services beyond the scope authorized under this subsection constitutes the unauthorized practice of medicine or a violation of the Nurse Practice Act and is punishable as provided under chapter 458, chapter 459, or part I of chapter 464. If a licensed nurse registry authorizes a registered nurse to delegate tasks, including medication administration, to a certified nursing assistant pursuant to chapter 464 or to a home health aide pursuant to s. 400.490, the licensed nurse registry must ensure that such delegation meets the requirements of this chapter and chapter 464 and the rules adopted thereunder.

Section 7. Subsections (3) and (4) of section 401.465, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (4) and (5), respectively, paragraphs (d) and (j) of subsection (2) of that section are amended, paragraph (d) is added to subsection (1), and a new subsection (3) is added to that section, to read:

- 401.465 911 public safety telecommunicator certification.-
- (1) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:
- (d) "Telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation training" means specific training, including continuous education, that is evidence based and contains nationally accepted guidelines for high-quality telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation with the recognition of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest over the telephone and the delivery of

telephonic instructions for treating cardiac arrest and performing compression-only cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

- (2) PERSONNEL; STANDARDS AND CERTIFICATION. -
- (d) The department shall determine whether the applicant meets the requirements specified in this section and in rules of the department and shall issue a certificate to any person who meets such requirements. Such requirements must include the following:
- 1. Completion of an appropriate 911 public safety telecommunication training program;
- 2. Certification under oath that the applicant is not addicted to alcohol or any controlled substance;
- 3. Certification under oath that the applicant is free from any physical or mental defect or disease that might impair the applicant's ability to perform his or her duties;
- 4. Submission of the application fee prescribed in subsection (4) $\frac{(3)}{}$;
- 5. Submission of a completed application to the department which indicates compliance with subparagraphs 1., 2., and 3.; and
- 6. Effective October 1, 2012, passage of an examination approved by the department which measures the applicant's competency and proficiency in the subject material of the public safety telecommunication training program.

- (j)1. The requirement for certification as a 911 public safety telecommunicator is waived for a person employed as a sworn state-certified law enforcement officer, provided the officer:
- a. Is selected by his or her chief executive to perform as
 a 911 public safety telecommunicator;
- b. Performs as a 911 public safety telecommunicator on an occasional or limited basis; and
- c. Passes the department-approved examination that measures the competency and proficiency of an applicant in the subject material comprising the public safety telecommunication program.
- 2. A sworn state-certified law enforcement officer who fails an examination taken under subparagraph 1. must take a department-approved public safety telecommunication training program prior to retaking the examination.
- 3. The testing required under this paragraph is exempt from the examination fee required under subsection (4)
- (3) TELECOMMUNICATOR CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION

 TRAINING.—In addition to the certification and recertification requirements contained in this section, 911 public safety telecommunicators who take telephone calls and provide dispatch functions for emergency medical conditions must complete telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation training every 2 years.

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Section 8. Paragraph (h) is added to subsection (1) of section 408.033, Florida Statutes, to read:

408.033 Local and state health planning.-

- (1) LOCAL HEALTH COUNCILS.-
- (h) For the purpose of performing their duties under this section, local health councils may collect utilization data from each hospital licensed under chapter 395 which is located within their respective local health council districts.

Section 9. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 456.47, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

456.47 Use of telehealth to provide services.-

- (2) PRACTICE STANDARDS.-
- (c) A telehealth provider may not use telehealth to prescribe a controlled substance <u>listed in Schedule II of s.</u>
 893.03 unless the controlled substance is prescribed for the following:
 - 1. The treatment of a psychiatric disorder;
- 2. Inpatient treatment at a hospital licensed under chapter 395;
- 3. The treatment of a patient receiving hospice services as defined in s. 400.601; or
- 4. The treatment of a resident of a nursing home facility as defined in s. 400.021.
- Section 10. Subsection (1) of section 460.406, Florida
 112 Statutes, is amended to read:

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460.406 Licensure by examination.

- (1) Any person desiring to be licensed as a chiropractic physician must apply to the department to take the licensure examination. There shall be an application fee set by the board not to exceed \$100 which shall be nonrefundable. There shall also be an examination fee not to exceed \$500 plus the actual per applicant cost to the department for purchase of portions of the examination from the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners or a similar national organization, which may be refundable if the applicant is found ineligible to take the examination. The department shall examine each applicant who the board certifies has met all of the following criteria:
- (a) Completed the application form and remitted the appropriate fee.
- (b) Submitted proof satisfactory to the department that he or she is not less than 18 years of age.
- (c) Submitted proof satisfactory to the department that he or she is a graduate of a chiropractic college which is accredited by or has status with the Council on Chiropractic Education or its predecessor agency. However, any applicant who is a graduate of a chiropractic college that was initially accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education in 1995, who graduated from such college within the 4 years immediately preceding such accreditation, and who is otherwise qualified <u>is shall be</u> eligible to take the examination. <u>An</u> No application for

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a license to practice chiropractic medicine <u>may not shall</u> be denied solely because the applicant is a graduate of a chiropractic college that subscribes to one philosophy of chiropractic medicine as distinguished from another.

- (d)1. For an applicant who has matriculated in a chiropractic college <u>before</u> prior to July 2, 1990, completed at least 2 years of residence college work, consisting of a minimum of one-half the work acceptable for a bachelor's degree granted on the basis of a 4-year period of study, in a college or university accredited by an <u>institutional</u> accrediting agency recognized and approved by the United States Department of Education. However, <u>before</u> prior to being certified by the board to sit for the examination, each applicant who has matriculated in a chiropractic college after July 1, 1990, <u>must shall</u> have been granted a bachelor's degree, based upon 4 academic years of study, by a college or university accredited by <u>an institutional a regional</u> accrediting agency which is a member of the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation.
- 2. Effective July 1, 2000, completed, <u>before</u> prior to matriculation in a chiropractic college, at least 3 years of residence college work, consisting of a minimum of 90 semester hours leading to a bachelor's degree in a liberal arts college or university accredited by an <u>institutional</u> accrediting agency recognized and approved by the United States Department of Education. However, <u>before</u> prior to being certified by the board

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to sit for the examination, each applicant who has matriculated in a chiropractic college after July 1, 2000, <u>must shall</u> have been granted a bachelor's degree from an institution holding accreditation for that degree from <u>an institutional a regional</u> accrediting agency which is recognized by the United States Department of Education. The applicant's chiropractic degree must consist of credits earned in the chiropractic program and may not include academic credit for courses from the bachelor's degree.

- (e) Successfully completed the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners certification examination in parts I, II, III, and IV, and the physiotherapy examination of the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners, with a score approved by the board.
- (f) Submitted to the department a set of fingerprints on a form and under procedures specified by the department, along with payment in an amount equal to the costs incurred by the Department of Health for the criminal background check of the applicant.

The board may require an applicant who graduated from an institution accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education more than 10 years before the date of application to the board to take the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Special

Purposes Examination for Chiropractic, or its equivalent, as

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determined by the board. The board shall establish by rule a passing score.

Section 11. Subsection (4) of section 464.008, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

464.008 Licensure by examination.-

(4) If an applicant who graduates from an approved program does not take the licensure examination within 6 months after graduation, he or she must enroll in and successfully complete a board-approved licensure examination preparatory course. The applicant is responsible for all costs associated with the course and may not use state or federal financial aid for such costs. The board shall by rule establish guidelines for licensure examination preparatory courses.

Section 12. Subsection (2) of section 464.0156, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

464.0156 Delegation of duties.-

(2) A registered nurse may delegate to a certified nursing assistant or a home health aide the administration of oral, transdermal, ophthalmic, otic, rectal, inhaled, enteral, or topical prescription medications to a patient of a home health agency or nurse registry, if the certified nursing assistant or home health aide meets the requirements of s. 464.2035 or s. 400.489, respectively. A registered nurse may not delegate the administration of any controlled substance listed in Schedule

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- 212 II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV of s. 893.03 or 21 U.S.C. s. 213 812.
- Section 13. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) of section 464.018, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 464.018 Disciplinary actions.—
 - (1) The following acts constitute grounds for denial of a license or disciplinary action, as specified in ss. 456.072(2) and 464.0095:
 - (e) Having been found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, or entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to, regardless of adjudication, any offense prohibited under s. 435.04 or similar statute of another jurisdiction; or having committed an act which constitutes domestic violence as defined in s. 741.28.
 - Section 14. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 464.2035, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 464.2035 Administration of medication.
 - (1) A certified nursing assistant may administer oral, transdermal, ophthalmic, otic, rectal, inhaled, enteral, or topical prescription medication to a patient of a home health agency or nurse registry if the certified nursing assistant has been delegated such task by a registered nurse licensed under part I of this chapter, has satisfactorily completed an initial 6-hour training course approved by the board, and has been found competent to administer medication to a patient in a safe and

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sanitary manner. The training, determination of competency, and initial and annual validation required under this section must be conducted by a registered nurse licensed under this chapter or a physician licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459.

- (3) The board, in consultation with the Agency for Health Care Administration, shall establish by rule standards and procedures that a certified nursing assistant must follow when administering medication to a patient of a home health agency or nurse registry. Such rules must, at a minimum, address qualification requirements for trainers, requirements for labeling medication, documentation and recordkeeping, the storage and disposal of medication, instructions concerning the safe administration of medication, informed-consent requirements and records, and the training curriculum and validation procedures.
- Section 15. Paragraph (h) of subsection (1) of section 466.028, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 466.028 Grounds for disciplinary action; action by the board.—
- (1) The following acts constitute grounds for denial of a license or disciplinary action, as specified in s. 456.072(2):
- (h) Being employed by any corporation, organization, group, or person other than a dentist, a hospital, or a professional corporation or limited liability company composed of dentists to practice dentistry.

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Section 16. Section 466.0285, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

466.0285 Proprietorship by nondentists.-

- (1) A person or an entity No person other than a dentist licensed under pursuant to this chapter, a specialty-licensed children's hospital licensed under chapter 395 as of January 1, 2021, or nor any entity other than a professional corporation or limited liability company composed of dentists, may not:
- (a) Employ a dentist or dental hygienist in the operation of a dental office.
- (b) Control the use of any dental equipment or material while such equipment or material is being used for the provision of dental services, whether those services are provided by a dentist, a dental hygienist, or a dental assistant.
- (c) Direct, control, or interfere with a dentist's clinical judgment. To direct, control, or interfere with a dentist's clinical judgment does not mean may not be interpreted to mean dental services contractually excluded, the application of alternative benefits that may be appropriate given the dentist's prescribed course of treatment, or the application of contractual provisions and scope of coverage determinations in comparison with a dentist's prescribed treatment on behalf of a covered person by an insurer, health maintenance organization, or a prepaid limited health service organization.

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Any lease agreement, rental agreement, or other arrangement between a nondentist and a dentist whereby the nondentist provides the dentist with dental equipment or dental materials must shall contain a provision whereby the dentist expressly maintains complete care, custody, and control of the equipment or practice.

- (2) The purpose of this section is to prevent a nondentist from influencing or otherwise interfering with the exercise of a dentist's independent professional judgment. In addition to the acts specified in subsection (1), a no person or an entity that who is not a dentist licensed under pursuant to this chapter, a specialty-licensed children's hospital licensed under chapter 395 as of January 1, 2021, or nor any entity that is not a professional corporation or limited liability company composed of dentists may not shall enter into a relationship with a licensee pursuant to which such unlicensed person or such entity exercises control over any of the following:
- (a) The selection of a course of treatment for a patient, the procedures or materials to be used as part of such course of treatment, and the manner in which such course of treatment is carried out by the licensee.
 - (b) The patient records of a dentist. \div
- (c) Policies and decisions relating to pricing, credit, refunds, warranties, and advertising.; and

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- 311 (d) Decisions relating to office personnel and hours of 312 practice.
 - (3) Any person who violates this section commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
 - (4) Any contract or arrangement entered into or undertaken in violation of this section <u>is</u> shall be void as contrary to public policy. This section applies to contracts entered into or renewed on or after October 1, 1997.

Section 17. Subsections (13) and (14) of section 467.003, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (14) and (15), respectively, subsections (1) and (12) are amended, and a new subsection (13) is added to that section, to read:

467.003 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) "Approved <u>midwifery</u> program" means a <u>midwifery school</u> or a midwifery training program <u>that</u> which is approved by the department pursuant to s. 467.205.
- (12) "Preceptor" means a physician <u>licensed under chapter</u>

 458 or chapter 459, a <u>licensed</u> midwife <u>licensed under this</u>

 chapter, or a certified nurse midwife <u>licensed under chapter</u>

 464, who has a minimum of 3 years' professional experience, and who directs, teaches, supervises, and evaluates the learning experiences of <u>a the</u> student midwife <u>as part of an approved</u>

 midwifery program.

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336	(13) "Prelicensure course" means a course of study,
337	offered by an approved midwifery program and approved by the
338	department, which an applicant for licensure must complete
339	before a license may be issued and which provides instruction in
340	the laws and rules of this state and demonstrates the student's
341	competency to practice midwifery under this chapter.
342	Section 18. Section 467.009, Florida Statutes, is amended
343	to read:
344	467.009 Approved midwifery programs; education and
345	training requirements.—
346	(1) The department shall adopt standards for $approved$
347	midwifery programs which must include, but need not be limited
348	to, standards for all of the following:
349	(a) . The standards shall encompass Clinical and classroom
350	instruction in all aspects of prenatal, intrapartal, and
351	postpartal care, including all of the following:
352	1. Obstetrics.÷
353	<pre>2. Neonatal pediatrics.+</pre>
354	3. Basic sciences.÷
355	$\underline{4.}$ Female reproductive anatomy and physiology $\underline{\cdot \cdot}$
356	<u>5.</u> Behavioral sciences <u>.</u>
357	<u>6.</u> Childbirth education <u>.</u> ;
358	7. Community care.÷
359	8. Epidemiology.÷
360	9. Genetics.÷

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361	10. Embryology.;
362	11. Neonatology. +
363	12. Applied pharmacology.÷
364	13. The medical and legal aspects of midwifery.
365	14. Gynecology and women's health.+
366	15. Family planning.;
367	16. Nutrition during pregnancy and lactation.
368	17. Breastfeeding.; and
369	18. Basic nursing skills; and any other instruction
370	determined by the department and council to be necessary.
371	(b) The standards shall incorporate the Core competencies
372	incorporating those established by the American College of Nurse
373	Midwives and the Midwives Alliance of North America, including
374	knowledge, skills, and professional behavior in <u>all of</u> the
375	following areas:
376	1. Primary management, collaborative management, referral,
377	and medical consultation <u>.</u> ;
378	2. Antepartal, intrapartal, postpartal, and neonatal
379	care <u>.</u>
380	$3.$ Family planning and gynecological care. \div
381	4. Common complications.; and
382	5. Professional responsibilities.
383	(c) Noncurricular The standards shall include
384	noncurriculum matters under this section, including, but not
385	limited to, staffing and teacher qualifications.

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(2) An approved midwifery program	must offer shall include
a course of study and clinical training	for a minimum of 3 years
which incorporates all of the standards	, curriculum guidelines,
and educational objectives provided in	this section and the
rules adopted hereunder.	

- (3) An approved midwifery program may reduce If the applicant is a registered nurse or a licensed practical nurse or has previous nursing or midwifery education, the required period of training may be reduced to the extent of the student's applicant's qualifications as a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse or based on prior completion of equivalent nursing or midwifery education, as determined under rules adopted by the department rule. In no case shall the training be reduced to a period of less than 2 years.
- (4) (3) An approved midwifery program may accept students
 who To be accepted into an approved midwifery program, an
 applicant shall have completed all of the following:
 - (a) A high school diploma or its equivalent.
- (b) Taken Three college-level credits each of math and English or demonstrated competencies in communication and computation.
- (5) (4) As part of its course of study, an approved midwifery program must require clinical training that includes all of the following:

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(a) A student midwife, during training, shall undertake,
under the supervision of a preceptor, The care of 50 women in
each of the prenatal, intrapartal, and postpartal periods under
the supervision of a preceptor. $_{7}$ but The same women need not be
seen through all three periods.

- (b) (5) Observation of The student midwife shall observe an additional 25 women in the intrapartal period before qualifying for a license.
- (6) Clinical The training required under this section $\underline{\text{must}}$ include all of the following:
- <u>(a)</u> shall include Training in either hospitals, or alternative birth settings, or both.
- (b) A requirement that students demonstrate competency in the assessment of and differentiation, with particular emphasis on learning the ability to differentiate between low-risk pregnancies and high-risk pregnancies.
- (7) A hospital or birthing center receiving public funds shall be required to provide student midwives access to observe labor, delivery, and postpartal procedures, provided the woman in labor has given informed consent. The Department of Health shall assist in facilitating access to hospital training for approved midwifery programs.
- $\underline{(8)}$ (7) The Department of Education shall adopt curricular frameworks for midwifery programs conducted within public educational institutions under <u>pursuant to</u> this section.

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435	(8) Nonpublic educational institutions that conduct
436	approved midwifery programs shall be accredited by a member of
437	the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation and
438	shall be licensed by the Commission for Independent Education.
439	Section 19. Section 467.011, Florida Statutes, is amended
440	to read:
441	467.011 Licensed midwives; qualifications; examination
442	Licensure by examination.
443	(1) The department shall administer an examination to test
444	the proficiency of applicants in the core competencies required
445	to practice midwifery as specified in s. 467.009.
446	(2) The department shall develop, publish, and make
447	available to interested parties at a reasonable cost a
448	bibliography and guide for the examination.
449	(3) The department shall issue a license to practice
450	midwifery to an applicant who meets all of the following
451	<pre>criteria:</pre>
452	(1) Demonstrates that he or she has graduated from one of
453	the following:
454	(a) An approved midwifery program.
455	(b) A medical or midwifery program offered in another
456	state, jurisdiction, territory, or country whose graduation
457	requirements were equivalent to or exceeded those required by s.
458	467.009 and the rules adopted thereunder at the time of
459	graduation.

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(2) Demonstrates that he or she has and successfully	
completed a prelicensure course offered by an approved midwife:	rу
program. Students graduating from an approved midwifery program	n
may meet this requirement by showing that the content	
requirements for the prelicensure course were covered as part	эf
their course of study.	

- (3) Submits an application for licensure on a form approved by the department and pays the appropriate fee.
- (4) Demonstrates that he or she has received a passing score on an the examination specified by the department, upon payment of the required licensure fee.

Section 20. Section 467.0125, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

467.0125 <u>Licensed midwives; qualifications;</u> Licensure by endorsement; temporary certificates.—

- (1) The department shall issue a license by endorsement to practice midwifery to an applicant who, upon applying to the department, demonstrates to the department that she or he <u>meets</u> all of the following criteria:
- (a)1. Holds a valid certificate or diploma from a foreign institution of medicine or midwifery or from a midwifery program offered in another state, bearing the seal of the institution or otherwise authenticated, which renders the individual eligible to practice midwifery in the country or state in which it was issued, provided the requirements therefor are deemed by the

department to be substantially equivalent to, or to exceed, those established under this chapter and rules adopted under this chapter, and submits therewith a certified translation of the foreign certificate or diploma; or

- 2. Holds an active, unencumbered a valid certificate or license to practice midwifery in another state, jurisdiction, or territory issued by that state, provided the licensing requirements of that state, jurisdiction, or territory at the time the license was issued were therefor are deemed by the department to be substantially equivalent to, or exceeded to exceed, those established under this chapter and the rules adopted thereunder under this chapter.
- (b) Has <u>successfully</u> completed a 4-month prelicensure course conducted by an approved <u>midwifery</u> program and has submitted documentation to the department of successful completion.
- (c) Submits an application for licensure on a form approved by the department and pays the appropriate fee Has successfully passed the licensed midwifery examination.
- (2) The department may issue a temporary certificate to practice in areas of critical need to <u>an applicant</u> any midwife who is qualifying for <u>a midwifery license</u> licensure by endorsement under subsection (1) who meets all of the following criteria, with the following restrictions:

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- (b) Specifies on the application that he or she will The Department of Health shall determine the areas of critical need, and the midwife so certified shall practice only in one or more of the following locations:
 - 1. A county health department;
 - 2. A correctional facility;
 - 3. A Department of Veterans' Affairs clinic;
- 4. A community health center funded by s. 329, s. 330, or s. 340 of the United States Public Health Service Act; or
- 5. Any other agency or institution that is approved by the State Surgeon General and provides health care to meet the needs of an underserved population in this state; and those specific areas.
- (c) Will practice only under the <u>supervision</u> auspices of a physician licensed <u>under pursuant to</u> chapter 458 or chapter 459, a certified nurse midwife licensed <u>under pursuant to</u> part I of chapter 464, or a midwife licensed under this chapter, who has a minimum of 3 years' professional experience.
- (3) The department may issue a temporary certificate under this section with the following restrictions:

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(a) A requirement that a temporary certificateholder
practice only in areas of critical need. The State Surgeon
General shall determine the areas of critical need, which
areas shall include, but <u>are</u> not be limited to, health
professional shortage areas designated by the United States
Department of Health and Human Services.

- (b) A requirement that if a temporary certificateholder's practice area ceases to be an area of critical need, within 30 days after such change the certificateholder must either:
- 1. Report a new practice area of critical need to the department; or
 - 2. Voluntarily relinquish the temporary certificate.
- (4) The department shall review a temporary certificateholder's practice at least annually to determine whether the certificateholder is meeting the requirements of subsections (2) and (3) and the rules adopted thereunder. If the department determines that a certificateholder is not meeting these requirements, the department must revoke the temporary certificate.
- $\underline{(5)}$ A temporary certificate issued under this section \underline{is} shall be valid only as long as an area for which it is issued remains an area of critical need, but no longer than 2 years, and is shall not be renewable.

(c)	The	department	may	admir	nister	: an	abbrevi	ated	oral
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written	regula	r examinat:	ion s	shall	be no	ecess	sary.		

- (d) The department shall not issue a temporary certificate to any midwife who is under investigation in another state for an act which would constitute a violation of this chapter until such time as the investigation is complete, at which time the provisions of this section shall apply.
- (e) The department shall review the practice under a temporary certificate at least annually to ascertain that the minimum requirements of the midwifery rules promulgated under this chapter are being met. If it is determined that the minimum requirements are not being met, the department shall immediately revoke the temporary certificate.
- (f) The fee for a temporary certificate shall not exceed \$50 and shall be in addition to the fee required for licensure.

 Section 21. Section 467.205, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 467.205 Approval of midwifery programs.-
- (1) The department shall approve an accredited or statelicensed public or private institution seeking to provide midwifery education and training as an approved midwifery program in this state if the institution meets all of the following criteria:

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	(6	a)	Submits	an	application	for	approval	on	a	form	approved
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- (b) Demonstrates to the department's satisfaction that the proposed midwifery program complies with s. 467.009 and the rules adopted thereunder.
- (c) For a private institution, demonstrates its
 accreditation by a member of the Council for Higher Education
 Accreditation or an accrediting agency approved by the United
 States Department of Education and its licensing or provisional
 licensing by the Commission for Independent Education An
 organization desiring to conduct an approved program for the
 education of midwives shall apply to the department and submit
 such evidence as may be required to show that it complies with
 s. 467.009 and with the rules of the department. Any accredited
 or state-licensed institution of higher learning, public or
 private, may provide midwifery education and training.
- (2) The department shall adopt rules regarding educational objectives, faculty qualifications, curriculum guidelines, administrative procedures, and other training requirements as are necessary to ensure that approved programs graduate midwives competent to practice under this chapter.
- (3) The department shall survey each organization applying for approval. If the department is satisfied that the program meets the requirements of s. 467.009 and rules adopted pursuant to that section, it shall approve the program.

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- (2)(4) The department shall, at least once every 3 years, certify whether each approved midwifery program is currently compliant, and has maintained compliance, complies with the requirements of standards developed under s. 467.009 and the rules adopted thereunder.
- (3) (5) If the department finds that an approved midwifery program is not in compliance with the requirements of s. 467.009 or the rules adopted thereunder, or has lost its accreditation status, the department must provide its finding to the program in writing and no longer meets the required standards, it may place the program on probationary status for a specified period of time, which may not exceed 3 years until such time as the standards are restored.
- (4) If a program on probationary status does not come into compliance with the requirements of s. 467.009 or the rules adopted thereunder, or regain its accreditation status, as applicable, within the period specified by the department fails to correct these conditions within a specified period of time, the department may rescind the program's approval.
- (5) A Any program that has having its approval rescinded has shall have the right to reapply for approval.
- (6) The department may grant provisional approval of a new program seeking accreditation status, for a period not to exceed 5 years, provided that all other requirements of this section are met.

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(7) The department may rescind provisional approval of a
program that fails to the meet the requirements of s. 467.009,
this section, or the rules adopted thereunder, in accordance
with procedures provided in subsections (3) and (4) may be
granted pending the licensure results of the first graduating
class.

Section 22. Subsection (4) of section 468.203, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

468.203 Definitions.—As used in this act, the term:

- (4) "Occupational therapy" means the therapeutic use of occupations through habilitation, rehabilitation, and the promotion of health and wellness with individuals, groups, or populations, along with their families or organizations to support participation, performance, and function in the home, school, workplace, community, and other settings for clients who have or are at risk of developing an illness, injury, disease, disorder, condition, impairment, disability, activity limitation, or participation restriction purposeful activity or interventions to achieve functional outcomes.
 - (a) For the purposes of this subsection:
- 1. "Activities of daily living" means functions and tasks for self-care which are performed on a daily or routine basis, including functional mobility, bathing, dressing, eating and swallowing, personal hygiene and grooming, toileting, and other similar tasks. "Achieving functional outcomes" means to maximize

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the independence and the maintenance of health of any individual who is limited by a physical injury or illness, a cognitive impairment, a psychosocial dysfunction, a mental illness, a developmental or a learning disability, or an adverse environmental condition.

- 2. "Assessment" means the use of skilled observation or the administration and interpretation of standardized or nonstandardized tests and measurements to identify areas for occupational therapy services.
- 3. "Behavioral health services" means the promotion of occupational performance through services to support positive mental health by providing direct individual and group interventions to improve the client's participation in daily occupations.
- 4. "Health management" means activities related to developing, managing, and maintaining health and wellness, including self-management, with the goal of improving or maintaining health to support participation in occupations.
- 5. "Instrumental activities of daily living" means daily or routine activities a person must perform to live independently within the home and community.
- 6. "Mental health services" means the promotion of occupational performance related to mental health, coping, resilience, and well-being by providing individual, group, and population level supports and services to improve the client's

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participation in daily occupations for those who are at risk of, experiencing, or in recovery from these conditions, along with their families and communities.

- 7. "Occupations" means meaningful and purposeful everyday activities performed and engaged in by individuals, groups, populations, families, or communities which occur in contexts and over time, such as activities of daily living, instrumental activities of daily living, health management, rest and sleep, education, work, play, leisure, and social participation. The term includes more specific occupations and execution of multiple activities that are influenced by performance patterns, performance skills, and client factors, resulting in varied outcomes.
- 8. "Occupational performance" means the ability to perceive, desire, recall, plan, and carry out roles, routines, tasks, and subtasks for the purpose of self-maintenance, self-preservation, productivity, leisure, and rest, for oneself or others, in response to internal or external demands of occupations and contexts.
- (b) The practice of occupational therapy includes services include, but is are not limited to:
- 1. Assessment, treatment, education of, and consultation with, individuals, groups, and populations whose abilities to participate safely in occupations, including activities of daily living, instrumental activities of daily living, rest and sleep,

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education, work, play, leisure, and social participation are impaired or at risk for impairment due to issues related, but not limited, to developmental deficiencies, the aging process, learning disabilities, physical environment and sociocultural context, physical injury or disease, cognitive impairments, and psychological and social disabilities The assessment, treatment, and education of or consultation with the individual, family, or other persons.

- 2. Methods or approaches to determine abilities and limitations related to performance of occupations, including, but not limited to, the identification of physical, sensory, cognitive, emotional, or social deficiencies Interventions directed toward developing daily living skills, work readiness or work performance, play skills or leisure capacities, or enhancing educational performance skills.
- 3. Specific occupational therapy techniques used for treatment that involve, but are not limited to, training in activities of daily living; environmental modification; assessment of the need for the use of interventions such as the design, fabrication, and application of orthotics or orthotic devices; selecting, applying, and training in the use of assistive technology and adaptive devices; sensory, motor, and cognitive activities; therapeutic exercises; manual techniques; physical agent modalities; behavioral health services; and mental health services Providing for the development of:

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730 sensory-motor, perceptual, or neuromuscular functioning; range 731 of motion; or emotional, motivational, cognitive, or 732 psychosocial components of performance.

These services may require assessment of the need for use of interventions such as the design, development, adaptation, application, or training in the use of assistive technology devices; the design, fabrication, or application of rehabilitative technology such as selected orthotic devices; training in the use of assistive technology; orthotic or prosthetic devices; the application of physical agent modalities as an adjunct to or in preparation for purposeful activity; the use of ergonomic principles; the adaptation of environments and processes to enhance functional performance; or the promotion of health and wellness.

(c) The use of devices subject to 21 C.F.R. s. 801.109 and identified by the board is expressly prohibited except by an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant who has received training as specified by the board. The board shall adopt rules to carry out the purpose of this provision.

Section 23. Subsection (2) of section 468.209, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

468.209 Requirements for licensure.

(2) An applicant who has practiced as a state-licensed or American Occupational Therapy Association-certified occupational

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therapy assistant for 4 years and who, <u>before</u> prior to January 24, 1988, completed a minimum of $\underline{24 \text{ weeks}}$ 6 months of supervised occupational-therapist-level fieldwork experience may take the examination to be licensed as an occupational therapist without meeting the educational requirements for occupational therapists made otherwise applicable under paragraph (1)(b).

Section 24. Subsection (2) of section 468.215, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

468.215 Issuance of license.-

- (2) Any person who is issued a license as an occupational therapist under the terms of this act may use the words "occupational therapist," "licensed occupational therapist," "occupational therapist doctorate," or "occupational therapist registered," or he or she may use the letters "O.T.," "L.O.T.," "O.T.D.," or "O.T.R.," in connection with his or her name or place of business to denote his or her registration hereunder.
- 771 Section 25. Section 468.223, Florida Statutes, is amended 772 to read:
 - 468.223 Prohibitions; penalties.-
 - (1) A person may not:
 - (a) Practice occupational therapy unless such person is licensed pursuant to ss. 468.201-468.225;
 - (b) Use, in connection with his or her name or place of business, the words "occupational therapist," "licensed occupational therapist," "occupational therapist doctorate,"

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780 "occupational therapist registered," "occupational therapy 781 assistant," "licensed occupational therapy assistant," 782 "certified occupational therapy assistant"; the letters "O.T.," "L.O.T.," "O.T.D.," "O.T.R.," "O.T.A.," "L.O.T.A.," or 783 784 "C.O.T.A."; or any other words, letters, abbreviations, or 785 insignia indicating or implying that he or she is an 786 occupational therapist or an occupational therapy assistant or, 787 in any way, orally or in writing, in print or by sign, directly or by implication, to represent himself or herself as an 788 occupational therapist or an occupational therapy assistant 789 790 unless the person is a holder of a valid license issued pursuant 791 to ss. 468.201-468.225;

- (c) Present as his or her own the license of another;
- (d) Knowingly give false or forged evidence to the board or a member thereof;
- (e) Use or attempt to use a license that which has been suspended, revoked, or placed on inactive or delinquent status;
- (f) Employ unlicensed persons to engage in the practice of occupational therapy; or
- (g) Conceal information relative to any violation of ss. 468.201-468.225.
- (2) Any person who violates any provision of this section commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

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Section 26. Paragraph (e) is added to subsection (1) of section 468.225, Florida Statutes, to read:

468.225 Exemptions.—

- (1) Nothing in this act shall be construed as preventing or restricting the practice, services, or activities of:
- (e) Any person fulfilling an occupational therapy doctoral capstone experience that involves clinical practice or projects.

Section 27. Subsections (2), (3), and (4) and paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (5) of section 468.803, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

468.803 License, registration, and examination requirements.—

(2) An applicant for registration, examination, or licensure must apply to the department on a form prescribed by the board for consideration of board approval. Each initial applicant shall submit a set of fingerprints to the department on a form and under procedures specified by the department, along with payment in an amount equal to the costs incurred by the department for state and national criminal history checks of the applicant. The department shall submit the fingerprints provided by an applicant to the Department of Law Enforcement for a statewide criminal history check, and the Department of Law Enforcement shall forward the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history check of the applicant. The board shall screen the results to determine

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if an applicant meets licensure requirements. The board shall consider for examination, registration, or licensure each applicant who the board verifies:

- (a) Has submitted the completed application and <u>completed</u> the <u>fingerprinting requirements</u> <u>fingerprint forms</u> and has paid the applicable application fee, not to exceed \$500, and the cost of the state and national criminal history checks. The application fee <u>is</u> and cost of the criminal history checks shall be nonrefundable;
 - (b) Is of good moral character;
 - (c) Is 18 years of age or older; and
 - (d) Has completed the appropriate educational preparation.
- (3) A person seeking to attain the orthotics or prosthetics experience required for licensure in this state must be approved by the board and registered as a resident by the department. Although a registration may be held in both disciplines, for independent registrations the board may not approve a second registration until at least 1 year after the issuance of the first registration. Notwithstanding subsection (2), a person who has been approved by the board and registered by the department in one discipline may apply for registration in the second discipline without an additional state or national criminal history check during the period in which the first registration is valid. Each independent registration or dual registration is valid for 2 years after the date of issuance

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unless otherwise revoked by the department upon recommendation of the board. The board shall set a registration fee not to exceed \$500 to be paid by the applicant. A registration may be renewed once by the department upon recommendation of the board for a period no longer than 1 year, as such renewal is defined by the board by rule. The renewal fee may not exceed one-half the current registration fee. To be considered by the board for approval of registration as a resident, the applicant must have one of the following:

- (a) A Bachelor of Science or higher-level postgraduate degree in orthotics and prosthetics from <u>an</u> a regionally accredited college or university recognized by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs.
- (b) A minimum of a bachelor's degree from <u>an</u>

 <u>institutionally a regionally</u> accredited college or university

 and a certificate in orthotics or prosthetics from a program

 recognized by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health

 Education Programs, or its equivalent, as determined by the

 board.
- (c) A minimum of a bachelor's degree from <u>an</u>

 <u>institutionally</u> a regionally accredited college or university

 and a dual certificate in both orthotics and prosthetics from

 programs recognized by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied

 Health Education Programs, or its equivalent, as determined by
 the board.

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- examination for an orthotist or a prosthetist license, or the board may approve the existing examination of a national standards organization. The examination must be predicated on a minimum of a baccalaureate-level education and formalized specialized training in the appropriate field. Each examination must demonstrate a minimum level of competence in basic scientific knowledge, written problem solving, and practical clinical patient management. The board shall require an examination fee not to exceed the actual cost to the board in developing, administering, and approving the examination, which fee must be paid by the applicant. To be considered by the board for examination, the applicant must have:
 - (a) For an examination in orthotics:
- 1. A Bachelor of Science or higher-level postgraduate degree in orthotics and prosthetics from an institutionally a regionally accredited college or university recognized by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs or, at a minimum, a bachelor's degree from an institutionally a regionally accredited college or university and a certificate in orthotics from a program recognized by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, or its equivalent, as determined by the board; and

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- 2. An approved orthotics internship of 1 year of qualified experience, as determined by the board, or an orthotic residency or dual residency program recognized by the board.
 - (b) For an examination in prosthetics:
- 1. A Bachelor of Science or higher-level postgraduate degree in orthotics and prosthetics from an institutionally a regionally accredited college or university recognized by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs or, at a minimum, a bachelor's degree from an institutionally a regionally accredited college or university and a certificate in prosthetics from a program recognized by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, or its equivalent, as determined by the board; and
- 2. An approved prosthetics internship of 1 year of qualified experience, as determined by the board, or a prosthetic residency or dual residency program recognized by the board.
- (5) In addition to the requirements in subsection (2), to be licensed as:
- (a) An orthotist, the applicant must pay a license fee not to exceed \$500 and must have:
- 1. A Bachelor of Science or higher-level postgraduate degree in Orthotics and Prosthetics from <u>an institutionally a regionally</u> accredited college or university <u>recognized by the Commission</u> on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs,

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or a bachelor's degree <u>from an institutionally accredited</u>

<u>college or university and with a certificate in orthotics from a</u>

program recognized by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied

Health Education Programs, or its equivalent, as determined by
the board;

- 2. An <u>approved</u> appropriate internship of 1 year of qualified experience, as determined by the board, or a residency program recognized by the board;
 - 3. Completed the mandatory courses; and
- 4. Passed the state orthotics examination or the board-approved orthotics examination.
- (b) A prosthetist, the applicant must pay a license fee not to exceed \$500 and must have:
- 1. A Bachelor of Science or higher-level postgraduate degree in Orthotics and Prosthetics from an institutionally a regionally accredited college or university recognized by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, or a bachelor's degree from an institutionally accredited college or university and with a certificate in prosthetics from a program recognized by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, or its equivalent, as determined by the board;
- 2. An internship of 1 year of qualified experience, as determined by the board, or a residency program recognized by the board;

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- 3. Completed the mandatory courses; and
- 4. Passed the state prosthetics examination or the board-approved prosthetics examination.

Section 28. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 468.203, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (c) of subsection (5) of section 1002.385, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1002.385 The Gardiner Scholarship.-

- (5) AUTHORIZED USES OF PROGRAM FUNDS.—Program funds must be used to meet the individual educational needs of an eligible student and may be spent for the following purposes:
- (c) Specialized services by approved providers or by a hospital in this state which are selected by the parent. These specialized services may include, but are not limited to:
- 1. Applied behavior analysis services as provided in ss. 627.6686 and 641.31098.
- 2. Services provided by speech-language pathologists as defined in s. 468.1125.
 - 3. Occupational therapy services as defined in s. 468.203.
- 4. Services provided by physical therapists as defined in s. 486.021.
- 5. Services provided by listening and spoken language specialists and an appropriate acoustical environment for a child who is deaf or hard of hearing and who has received an implant or assistive hearing device.

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A provider of any services receiving payments pursuant to this subsection may not share, refund, or rebate any moneys from the Gardiner Scholarship with the parent or participating student in any manner. A parent, student, or provider of any services may not bill an insurance company, Medicaid, or any other agency for the same services that are paid for using Gardiner Scholarship funds.

Section 29. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 468.203, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 1002.66, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1002.66 Specialized instructional services for children with disabilities.—

- (2) The parent of a child who is eligible for the prekindergarten program for children with disabilities may select one or more specialized instructional services that are consistent with the child's individual educational plan. These specialized instructional services may include, but are not limited to:
 - (c) Occupational therapy as defined in s. 468.203.

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1002	Remove lines 775-821 and insert:
1003	medical services providers; amending s. 400.506, F.S.;
1004	requiring a licensed nurse registry that authorizes a
1005	registered nurse to delegate tasks to a certified
1006	nursing assistant or a home health aide to ensure that
1007	certain requirements are met; amending s. 401.465,
1008	F.S.; defining the term "telecommunicator
1009	cardiopulmonary resuscitation training"; conforming
1010	cross-references; requiring certain 911 public safety
1011	telecommunicators to complete biennial
1012	telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation
1013	training; amending s. 408.033, F.S.; authorizing local
1014	health councils to collect utilization data from
1015	licensed hospitals within their respective local
1016	health council districts for a specified purpose;
1017	amending s. 456.47, F.S.; revising the prohibition on
1018	prescribing controlled substances through the use of
1019	telehealth to include only specified controlled
1020	substances; amending s. 460.406, F.S.; revising
1021	provisions related to chiropractic physician
1022	licensing; amending s. 464.008, F.S.; deleting a
1023	requirement that certain nursing program graduates
1024	complete a specified preparatory course; amending s.
1025	464.0156, F.S.; authorizing a registered nurse to
1026	delegate the administration of certain duties for the

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1027 care of a patient of a nurse registry; amending s. 464.018, F.S.; revising grounds for disciplinary 1028 1029 action against licensed nurses; amending s. 464.2035, 1030 F.S.; authorizing certified nursing assistants to 1031 administer certain medication to patients of nurse 1032 registries under certain circumstances; conforming a 1033 provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 1034 466.028, F.S.; revising grounds for disciplinary action by the Board of Dentistry; amending s. 1035 1036 466.0285, F.S.; exempting certain specialty hospitals 1037 from prohibitions relating to the employment of 1038 dentists and dental hygienists and the control of dental equipment and materials by nondentists; 1039 1040 exempting such hospitals from a prohibition on 1041 nondentists entering into certain agreements with 1042 dentists or dental hygienists; making technical 1043 changes; amending s. 467.003, F.S.; revising and defining terms; amending s. 467.009, F.S.; revising 1044 1045 provisions related to approved midwifery programs; 1046 amending s. 467.011, F.S.; revising provisions 1047 relating to licensure of midwives; amending s. 1048 467.0125, F.S.; revising provisions relating to licensure by endorsement of midwives; revising 1049 1050 requirements for temporary certificates to practice midwifery in this state; amending s. 467.205, F.S.; 1051

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revising provisions relating to approval, continued monitoring, probationary status, provisional approval, and approval rescission of midwifery programs; amending s. 468.203, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; amending s. 468.209, F.S.; revising the fieldwork experience requirement for certain persons to take the examination for licensure as an occupational therapist; amending s. 468.215, F.S.; authorizing licensed occupational therapists to use a specified title and initials in accordance with the rules of a national certifying organization; amending s. 468.223, F.S.; prohibiting certain persons from using a specified title and initials; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 468.225, F.S.; providing construction; amending s. 468.803, F.S.; revising provisions related to orthotist and prosthetist registration, examination, and licensing; reenacting ss. 1002.385(5)(c) and 1002.66(2)(c), F.S., relating to the Gardiner Scholarship and specialized instructional services for children with disabilities, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made by the act; amending 483.801, F.S.;

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