

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2013 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Health Policy

CS/CS/SB 398 — Physician Assistants

by Banking and Insurance Committee; Health Policy Committee; and Senator Bean

The bill amends the medical practice act and the osteopathic medical practice act to clarify that a supervising physician may delegate to a physician assistant authority to order medications, including controlled substances, for patients in hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers and mobile surgical facilities. The bill also specifies that an order is not a prescription in these instances.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2013.

Vote: Senate 35-0; House 118-0