HOUSE AMENDMENT

Bill No. CS/HB 1659

CHAMBER ACTION Senate House 1 2 3 4 5 ORIGINAL STAMP BELOW 6 7 8 9 10 11 Representative(s) Fasano offered the following: 12 13 Amendment to Amendment (541895) (with title amendment) On page 68, between lines 12 & 13, of the amendment 14 15 16 insert: 17 Section 40. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (9) of section 458.347, Florida Statutes, to read: 18 19 458.347 Physician assistants.--(9) COUNCIL ON PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS. -- The Council on 20 Physician Assistants is created within the department. 21 22 (a) The council shall consist of five members appointed as follows: 23 24 The chairperson of the Board of Medicine shall 1. 25 appoint three members who are physicians and members of the 26 Board of Medicine. One of the physicians must supervise a 27 physician assistant in the physician's practice. The chairperson of the Board of Osteopathic 28 2. 29 Medicine shall appoint one member who is a physician and a 30 member of the Board of Osteopathic Medicine. 31 The secretary of the department or his or her 3. 1 File original & 9 copies hcs0005 04/28/00 11:21 am 01659-0045-815721

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designee shall appoint a fully licensed physician assistant
 licensed under this chapter or chapter 459.

3 (b) Two of the members appointed to the council must 4 be physicians who supervise physician assistants in their 5 practice. Members shall be appointed to terms of 4 years, 6 except that of the initial appointments, two members shall be 7 appointed to terms of 2 years, two members shall be appointed 8 to terms of 3 years, and one member shall be appointed to a 9 term of 4 years, as established by rule of the boards. 10 Council members may not serve more than two consecutive terms. 11 The council shall annually elect a chairperson from among its 12 members.

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(c) The council shall:

Recommend to the department the licensure of
 physician assistants.

16 Develop all rules regulating the use of physician 2. 17 assistants by physicians under this chapter and chapter 459, 18 except for rules relating to the formulary developed under paragraph (4)(f). The council shall also develop rules to 19 20 ensure that the continuity of supervision is maintained in 21 each practice setting. The boards shall consider adopting a proposed rule developed by the council at the regularly 22 scheduled meeting immediately following the submission of the 23 24 proposed rule by the council. A proposed rule submitted by 25 the council may not be adopted by either board unless both boards have accepted and approved the identical language 26 27 contained in the proposed rule. The language of all proposed rules submitted by the council must be approved by both boards 28 pursuant to each respective board's guidelines and standards 29 30 regarding the adoption of proposed rules. If either board 31 rejects the council's proposed rule, that board must specify

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its objection to the council with particularity and include 1 2 any recommendations it may have for the modification of the 3 proposed rule. 4 3. Make recommendations to the boards regarding all 5 matters relating to physician assistants. 6 Address concerns and problems of practicing 4. 7 physician assistants in order to improve safety in the clinical practices of licensed physician assistants. 8 9 (d) When the Council finds that an applicant for 10 licensure has failed to meet, to the Council's satisfaction, each of the requirements for licensure set forth in this 11 12 section, the Council may enter an order to: 13 1. Refuse to certify the applicant for licensure; 14 2. Approve the applicant for licensure with 15 restrictions on the scope of practice or license; or 16 3. Approve the applicant for conditional licensure. 17 Such conditions may include placement of the licensee on 18 probation for a period of time and subject to such conditions as the Council may specify, including but not limited to, 19 requiring the licensee to undergo treatment, to attend 20 21 continuing education courses, to work under the direct 22 supervision of a physician licensed in this state, or to take 23 corrective action. 24 Section 41. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (9) of section 459.022, Florida Statutes, to read: 25 459.022 Physician assistants.--26 27 (9) COUNCIL ON PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS. -- The Council on Physician Assistants is created within the department. 28 29 (a) The council shall consist of five members appointed as follows: 30 The chairperson of the Board of Medicine shall 31 1. 3 04/28/00 11:21 am File original & 9 copies hcs0005 01659-0045-815721

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appoint three members who are physicians and members of the 1 2 Board of Medicine. One of the physicians must supervise a 3 physician assistant in the physician's practice. 4 2. The chairperson of the Board of Osteopathic 5 Medicine shall appoint one member who is a physician and a 6 member of the Board of Osteopathic Medicine. 7 The secretary of the department or her or his 3. designee shall appoint a fully licensed physician assistant 8 9 licensed under chapter 458 or this chapter. 10 (b) Two of the members appointed to the council must be physicians who supervise physician assistants in their 11 12 practice. Members shall be appointed to terms of 4 years, except that of the initial appointments, two members shall be 13 14 appointed to terms of 2 years, two members shall be appointed 15 to terms of 3 years, and one member shall be appointed to a 16 term of 4 years, as established by rule of the boards. 17 Council members may not serve more than two consecutive terms. The council shall annually elect a chairperson from among its 18 members. 19 (c) The council shall: 20 1. Recommend to the department the licensure of 21 22 physician assistants. Develop all rules regulating the use of physician 23 2. 24 assistants by physicians under chapter 458 and this chapter, except for rules relating to the formulary developed under s. 25 458.347(4)(f). The council shall also develop rules to ensure 26 27 that the continuity of supervision is maintained in each practice setting. The boards shall consider adopting a 28 proposed rule developed by the council at the regularly 29 30 scheduled meeting immediately following the submission of the proposed rule by the council. A proposed rule submitted by 31 4 File original & 9 copies hcs0005 04/28/00 11:21 am

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the council may not be adopted by either board unless both 1 2 boards have accepted and approved the identical language contained in the proposed rule. The language of all proposed 3 4 rules submitted by the council must be approved by both boards 5 pursuant to each respective board's guidelines and standards 6 regarding the adoption of proposed rules. If either board 7 rejects the council's proposed rule, that board must specify its objection to the council with particularity and include 8 9 any recommendations it may have for the modification of the 10 proposed rule. 3. Make recommendations to the boards regarding all 11 12 matters relating to physician assistants. 13 4. Address concerns and problems of practicing physician assistants in order to improve safety in the 14 15 clinical practices of licensed physician assistants. 16 (d) When the Council finds that an applicant for 17 licensure has failed to meet, to the Council's satisfaction, 18 each of the requirements for licensure set forth in this section, the Council may enter an order to: 19 Refuse to certify the applicant for licensure; 20 1. 21 Approve the applicant for licensure with 2. restrictions on the scope of practice or license; or 22 3. Approve the applicant for conditional licensure. 23 24 Such conditions may include placement of the licensee on probation for a period of time and subject to such conditions 25 as the Council may specify, including but not limited to, 26 27 requiring the licensee to undergo treatment, to attend continuing education courses, to work under the direct 28 supervision of a physician licensed in this state, or to take 29 corrective action. 30 31

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