

By the Committee on Health Care; and Senator Atwater

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to radiologist assistants;
3 amending s. 468.3001, F.S.; redesignating part
4 IV of ch. 468, F.S., as the "Radiological
5 Personnel Certification Act"; amending s.
6 468.301, F.S.; providing definitions; amending
7 s. 468.302, F.S.; providing for identification
8 and duties of a radiologist assistant;
9 providing for rulemaking by the Department of
10 Health; providing limitations on duties a
11 radiologist assistant may perform; amending s.
12 468.304, F.S.; providing conditions for
13 qualification for a radiologist assistant's
14 certificate; amending s. 468.306, F.S.;
15 requiring certain applicants for certification
16 as a radiographer to pass an examination;
17 requiring the department to accept certain
18 demonstrations by an applicant for a
19 certification to practice as a radiologist
20 assistant in lieu of any examination
21 requirement; amending s. 468.3065, F.S.;
22 authorizing the Department of Health to issue
23 certificates by endorsement to certain
24 radiologist assistants; providing for a fee;
25 amending ss. 468.307, 468.309, 468.3095,
26 468.3101, 468.311, and 468.3115, F.S.;
27 including radiologist assistants in provisions
28 applicable to radiologic technologists with
29 respect to requirements for certificate
30 display, certificate renewal, change of
31 certificate status, grounds for disciplinary

1 action, violations, penalties, and injunctive
2 relief; amending s. 468.314, F.S.; adding a
3 certified radiologist assistant to the
4 membership of the Advisory Council on Radiation
5 Protection; providing an effective date.
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7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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9 Section 1. Section 468.3001, Florida Statutes, is
10 amended to read:

11 468.3001 Short title.--This part ~~shall be known and~~
12 may be cited as the "Radiological Personnel Radiologic
13 ~~Technologist~~ Certification Act."

14 Section 2. Present subsections (4) through (15) of
15 section 468.301, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as
16 subsections (5) through (18), new subsections (4), (16), and
17 (17) are added to that section, and present subsection (14) of
18 that section is amended to read:

19 468.301 Definitions.--As used in this part, the term:

20 (4) "Certificateholder" means any person who holds a
21 certificate under this part which authorizes that person to
22 use radiation on human beings.

23 ~~(15)(14)~~ "Radiologic technologist" means a person,
24 other than a licensed practitioner, who is qualified by
25 education, training, or experience, as more specifically
26 defined in s. 468.302(3)(d)-(g) ~~s. 468.302~~, to use radiation
27 on human beings under the specific direction and general
28 supervision of a licensed practitioner in each particular
29 case.

30 (16) "Radiologist" means a physician specializing in
31 radiology certified by or eligible for certification by the

1 American Board of Radiology or the American Osteopathic Board
2 of Radiology, the British Royal College of Radiology, or the
3 Canadian College of Physicians and Surgeons.

4 (17) "Radiologist assistant" means a person, other
5 than a licensed practitioner, who is qualified by education
6 and certification, as set forth in s. 468.304, as an
7 advanced-level radiologic technologist who works under the
8 supervision of a radiologist to enhance patient care by
9 assisting the radiologist in the medical imaging environment.

10 Section 3. Subsections (1), (5), and (6) of section
11 468.302, Florida Statutes, are amended, paragraph (g) is added
12 to subsection (2) of that section, and paragraph (h) is added
13 to subsection (3) of that section, to read:

14 468.302 Use of radiation; identification of certified
15 persons; limitations; exceptions.--

16 (1) Except as provided in this section, a person may
17 not use radiation or otherwise practice radiologic technology
18 or any of the duties of a radiologist assistant on a human
19 being unless he or she:

20 (a) Is a licensed practitioner; ~~or~~

21 (b) Is the holder of a certificate, as provided in
22 this part, and is operating under the direct supervision or
23 general supervision of a licensed practitioner in each
24 particular case; ~~or-~~

25 (c) Is the holder of radiologist assistant
26 certificate, as provided in this part, and is operating under
27 the supervision of a radiologist, as specified in paragraph
28 (3)(h).

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1 (g) A person holding a certificate as a radiologist
2 assistant may use the title "Certified Radiologist Assistant"
3 or the letters "CRA" after his or her name.
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5 No other person is entitled to so use a title or letters
6 contained in this subsection or to hold himself or herself out
7 in any way, whether orally or in writing, expressly or by
8 implication, as being so certified.

9 (3)

10 (h) A person holding a certificate as a radiologist
11 assistant may:

12 1. Perform specific duties allowed for a radiologist
13 assistant as defined by the department by rule. The rule must
14 be consistent with guidelines adopted by the American College
15 of Radiology, the American Society of Radiologic
16 Technologists, and the American Registry of Radiologic
17 Technologists, with the level of supervision required by such
18 guidelines.

19 2. Not interpret images, make diagnoses, or prescribe
20 medications or therapies.

21 (5) Nothing contained in this part relating to
22 radiologic technology or a radiologist assistant shall be
23 construed to limit, enlarge, or affect in any respect the
24 practice by duly licensed practitioners of their respective
25 professions.

26 (6) Requirement for certification does not apply to:

27 (a) A hospital resident who is not a licensed
28 practitioner in this state or a student enrolled in and
29 attending a school or college of medicine, osteopathic
30 medicine, chiropody, podiatric medicine, or chiropractic
31 medicine or a radiologic technology educational program or a

1 radiologist assistant educational program and who applies
2 radiation to a human being while under the direct supervision
3 of a licensed practitioner.

4 (b) A person who is engaged in performing the duties
5 of a radiologic technologist or of a radiologist assistant in
6 his or her employment by a governmental agency of the United
7 States.

8 (c) A person who is trained and skilled in
9 cardiopulmonary technology and who provides cardiopulmonary
10 technology services at the direction, and under the direct
11 supervision, of a licensed practitioner.

12 Section 4. Paragraph (e) of subsection (3) of section
13 468.304, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

14 468.304 Certification.--The department shall certify
15 any applicant who meets the following criteria:

16 (3) Submits satisfactory evidence, verified by oath or
17 affirmation, that she or he:

18 (e)1. Has successfully completed an educational
19 program, which program may be established in a hospital
20 licensed pursuant to chapter 395 or in an accredited
21 postsecondary academic institution which is subject to
22 approval by the department as maintaining a satisfactory
23 standard; or

24 2.a. With respect to an applicant for a basic X-ray
25 machine operator's certificate, has completed a course of
26 study approved by the department with appropriate study
27 material provided the applicant by the department;

28 b. With respect to an applicant for a basic X-ray
29 machine operator-podiatric medicine certificate, has completed
30 a course of study approved by the department, provided that
31 such course of study shall be limited to that information

1 necessary to perform radiographic procedures within the scope
2 of practice of a podiatric physician licensed pursuant to
3 chapter 461;

4 c. With respect only to an applicant for a general
5 radiographer's certificate who is a basic X-ray machine
6 operator certificateholder, has completed an educational
7 program or a 2-year training program that takes into account
8 the types of procedures and level of supervision usually and
9 customarily practiced in a hospital, which educational or
10 training program complies with the rules of the department; ~~or~~

11 d. With respect only to an applicant for a nuclear
12 medicine technologist's certificate who is a general
13 radiographer certificateholder, has completed an educational
14 program or a 2-year training program that takes into account
15 the types of procedures and level of supervision usually and
16 customarily practiced in a hospital, which educational or
17 training program complies with the rules of the department;

18 ~~or-~~

19 e. With respect to an applicant for a radiologist
20 assistant's certificate who demonstrates to the department
21 that he or she holds a current certificate or registration as
22 a radiologist assistant granted by the American Registry of
23 Radiologic Technologists.

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25 The department may not certify any applicant who has committed
26 an offense that would constitute a violation of any of the
27 provisions of s. 468.3101 or the rules adopted thereunder if
28 the applicant had been certified by the department at the time
29 of the offense. No application for a limited computed
30 tomography certificate shall be accepted. All persons holding
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1 valid computed tomography certificates as of October 1, 1984,
2 are subject to the provisions of s. 468.309.

3 Section 5. Section 468.306, Florida Statutes, is
4 amended to read:

5 468.306 Examinations.--All applicants for
6 certification as a radiologic technologist, basic X-ray
7 machine operator, or basic X-ray machine operator-podiatric
8 medicine, except those certified pursuant to s. 468.3065,
9 shall be required to pass an examination. In lieu of an
10 examination for a radiologist assistant certificate, the
11 department shall accept a demonstration by the applicant for
12 such a certificate that he or she holds a current certificate
13 or registration as a radiologist assistant granted by the
14 American Registry of Radiologic Technologists. The department
15 ~~may is authorized to~~ develop or use examinations for each type
16 of certificate. The department may require an applicant who
17 does not pass an examination after five attempts to complete
18 additional remedial education, as specified by rule of the
19 department, before admitting the applicant to subsequent
20 examinations.

21 (1) The department ~~may shall have the authority to~~
22 contract with organizations that develop such test
23 examinations. Examinations may be administered by the
24 department or the contracting organization.

25 (2) Examinations shall be given for each type of
26 certificate at least twice a year at such times and places as
27 the department may determine to be advantageous for
28 applicants.

29 (3) All examinations shall be written and include
30 positioning, technique, and radiation protection. The
31 department shall either pass or fail each applicant on the

1 basis of his or her final grade. The examination for a basic
2 X-ray machine operator shall include basic positioning and
3 basic techniques directly related to the skills necessary to
4 safely operate radiographic equipment.

5 (4) A nonrefundable fee not to exceed \$75 plus the
6 actual per-applicant cost for purchasing the examination from
7 a national organization shall be charged for any subsequent
8 examination.

9 Section 6. Section 468.3065, Florida Statutes, is
10 amended to read:

11 468.3065 Certification by endorsement.--

12 (1) The department may issue a certificate by
13 endorsement to practice as a radiologist assistant to an
14 applicant who, upon applying to the department and remitting a
15 nonrefundable fee not to exceed \$50, demonstrates to the
16 department that he or she holds a current certificate or
17 registration as a radiologist assistant granted by the
18 American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

19 (2) The department may issue a certificate by
20 endorsement to practice radiologic technology to an applicant
21 who, upon applying to the department and remitting a
22 nonrefundable fee not to exceed \$50, demonstrates to the
23 department that he or she holds a current certificate,
24 license, or registration to practice radiologic technology,
25 provided that the requirements for such certificate, license,
26 or registration are deemed by the department to be
27 substantially equivalent to those established under this part
28 and rules adopted under this part.

29 Section 7. Subsection (3) of section 468.307, Florida
30 Statutes, is amended to read:

31 468.307 Certificate; issuance; display.--

1 (3) Every employer of certificateholders ~~radiologic~~
2 ~~technologists~~ shall display the certificates of all of such
3 employees in a place accessible to view.

4 Section 8. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1), and
5 subsections (4), (5), (6), and (7) of section 468.309, Florida
6 Statutes, are amended to read:

7 468.309 Certificate; duration; renewal; reversion to
8 inactive status; members of Armed Forces and spouses.--

9 (1)(a) A ~~radiologic technologist's~~ certificate issued
10 in accordance with this part expires as specified in rules
11 adopted by the department which establish a procedure for the
12 biennial renewal of certificates. A certificate shall be
13 renewed by the department for a period of 2 years upon payment
14 of a renewal fee in an amount not to exceed \$75 and upon
15 submission of a renewal application containing such
16 information as the department deems necessary to show that the
17 applicant for renewal is a certificateholder ~~radiologic~~
18 ~~technologist~~ in good standing and has completed any continuing
19 education requirements that the department establishes.

20 (4) Any certificate that is not renewed by its
21 expiration date shall automatically be placed in an expired
22 status, and the certificateholder may not practice radiologic
23 technology or perform the duties of a radiologist assistant
24 until the certificate has been reactivated.

25 (5) A certificateholder in good standing remains in
26 good standing when he or she becomes a member of the Armed
27 Forces of the United States on active duty without paying
28 renewal fees or accruing continuing education credits as long
29 as he or she is a member of the Armed Forces on active duty
30 and for a period of 6 months after discharge from active duty,
31 if he or she is not engaged in practicing radiologic

1 technology or performing the duties of a radiologist assistant
2 in the private sector for profit. The certificateholder must
3 pay a renewal fee and complete continuing education not to
4 exceed 12 classroom hours to renew the certificate.

5 (6) A certificateholder who is in good standing
6 remains in good standing if he or she is absent from the state
7 because of his or her spouse's active duty with the Armed
8 Forces of the United States. The certificateholder remains in
9 good standing without paying renewal fees or completing
10 continuing education as long as his or her spouse is a member
11 of the Armed Forces on active duty and for a period of 6
12 months after the spouse's discharge from active duty, if the
13 certificateholder is not engaged in practicing radiologic
14 technology or performing the duties of a radiologist assistant
15 in the private sector for profit. The certificateholder must
16 pay a renewal fee and complete continuing education not to
17 exceed 12 classroom hours to renew the certificate.

18 (7) A certificateholder may resign his or her
19 certification by submitting to the department a written,
20 notarized resignation on a form specified by the department.
21 The resignation automatically becomes effective upon the
22 department's receipt of the resignation form, at which time
23 the certificateholder's certification automatically becomes
24 null and void and may not be reactivated or renewed or used to
25 practice radiologic technology or to perform the duties of a
26 radiologist assistant. A certificateholder who has resigned
27 may become certified again only by reapplying to the
28 department for certification as a new applicant and meeting
29 the certification requirements pursuant to s. 468.304 or s.
30 468.3065. Any disciplinary action that had been imposed on the
31 certificateholder prior to his or her resignation shall be

1 tolled until he or she again becomes certified. Any
2 disciplinary action proposed at the time of the
3 certificateholder's resignation shall be tolled until he or
4 she again becomes certified.

5 Section 9. Paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (2) of
6 section 468.3095, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

7 468.3095 Inactive status; reactivation; automatic
8 suspension; reinstatement.--

9 (2)(a) A certificate that has been expired for less
10 than 10 years may be reactivated upon payment of the biennial
11 renewal fee and a late renewal fee, not to exceed \$100, and
12 submission of a reactivation application containing any
13 information that the department deems necessary to show that
14 the applicant is a certificateholder ~~radiologic technologist~~
15 in good standing and has met the requirements for continuing
16 education. The department shall prescribe, by rule, continuing
17 education requirements as a condition of reactivating a
18 certificate. The continuing education requirements for
19 reactivating a certificate may not exceed 10 classroom hours
20 for each year the certificate was expired and may not exceed
21 100 classroom hours for all years in which the certificate was
22 expired.

23 (c) A certificate that has been inactive or expired
24 for 10 years or more automatically becomes null and void and
25 may not be reactivated, renewed, or used to practice
26 radiologic technology or to perform the duties of a
27 radiologist assistant. A certificateholder whose certificate
28 has become null and void may become certified again only by
29 reapplying to the department as a new applicant and meeting
30 the requirements of s. 468.304 or s. 468.3065.
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1 Section 10. Subsections (1), (2), (3), and (5) of
2 section 468.3101, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

3 468.3101 Disciplinary grounds and actions.--

4 (1) The department may make or require to be made any
5 investigations, inspections, evaluations, and tests, and
6 require the submission of any documents and statements, which
7 it considers necessary to determine whether a violation of
8 this part has occurred. The following acts shall be grounds
9 for disciplinary action as set forth in this section:

10 (a) Procuring, attempting to procure, or renewing a
11 certificate ~~to practice radiologic technology~~ by bribery, by
12 fraudulent misrepresentation, or through an error of the
13 department.

14 (b) Having a voluntary or mandatory certificate to
15 practice radiologic technology or to perform the duties of a
16 radiologist assistant revoked, suspended, or otherwise acted
17 against, including being denied certification, by a national
18 organization; by a specialty board recognized by the
19 department; or by a certification authority of another state,
20 territory, or country.

21 (c) Being convicted or found guilty, regardless of
22 adjudication, in any jurisdiction of a crime that directly
23 relates to the practice of radiologic technology or to the
24 performance of the duties of a radiologist assistant, or to
25 the ability to practice radiologic technology or the ability
26 to perform the duties of a radiologist assistant. Pleading
27 nolo contendere shall be considered a conviction for the
28 purpose of this provision.

29 (d) Being convicted or found guilty, regardless of
30 adjudication, in any jurisdiction of a crime against a person.

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1 Pleading nolo contendere shall be considered a conviction for
2 the purposes of this provision.

3 (e) Making or filing a false report or record that the
4 certificateholder knows to be false, intentionally or
5 negligently failing to file a report or record required by
6 state or federal law, or willfully impeding or obstructing
7 such filing or inducing another to do so. Such reports or
8 records include only those reports or records which are signed
9 in the capacity of the certificateholder ~~as a radiologic~~
10 ~~technologist~~.

11 (f) Engaging in unprofessional conduct, which
12 includes, but is not limited to, any departure from, or the
13 failure to conform to, the standards of practice of radiologic
14 technology or the standards of practice for radiologist
15 assistants as established by the department, in which case
16 actual injury need not be established.

17 (g) Being unable to practice radiologic technology or
18 to perform the duties of a radiologist assistant with
19 reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of illness
20 or use of alcohol, drugs, narcotics, chemicals, or other
21 materials or as a result of any mental or physical condition.
22 A certificateholder ~~radiologic technologist~~ affected under
23 this paragraph shall, at reasonable intervals, be afforded an
24 opportunity to demonstrate that he or she can resume the
25 competent practice of his or her certified profession
26 ~~radiologic technology~~ with reasonable skill and safety.

27 (h) Failing to report to the department any person who
28 the certificateholder knows is in violation of this part or of
29 the rules of the department.

30 (i) Violating any provision of this part, any rule of
31 the department, or any lawful order of the department

1 | previously entered in a disciplinary proceeding or failing to
2 | comply with a lawfully issued subpoena of the department.

3 | (j) Employing, for the purpose of applying ionizing
4 | radiation or otherwise practicing radiologic technology or
5 | performing the duties of a radiologist assistant on a human
6 | being, any individual who is not certified under the
7 | provisions of this part.

8 | (k) Testing positive for any drug, as defined in s.
9 | 112.0455, on any confirmed preemployment or employer-required
10 | drug screening when the certificateholder ~~radiologic~~
11 | ~~technologist~~ does not have a lawful prescription and
12 | legitimate medical reason for using such drug.

13 | (l) Failing to report to the department in writing
14 | within 30 days after the certificateholder has had a voluntary
15 | or mandatory certificate to practice radiologic technology or
16 | to perform the duties of a radiologist assistant revoked,
17 | suspended, or otherwise acted against, including being denied
18 | certification, by a national organization, by a specialty
19 | board recognized by the department, or by a certification
20 | authority of another state, territory, or country.

21 | (m) Having been found guilty of, regardless of
22 | adjudication, or pleading guilty or nolo contendere to, any
23 | offense prohibited under s. 435.03 or under any similar
24 | statute of another jurisdiction.

25 | (n) Failing to comply with the recommendations of the
26 | department's impaired practitioner program for treatment,
27 | evaluation, or monitoring. A letter from the director of the
28 | impaired practitioner program that the certificateholder is
29 | not in compliance shall be considered conclusive proof under
30 | this part.

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1 (2) If the department finds any person or firm guilty
2 of any of the grounds set forth in subsection (1), it may
3 enter an order imposing one or more of the following
4 penalties:

5 (a) Refusal to approve an application for
6 certification.

7 (b) Revocation or suspension of a certificate.

8 (c) Imposition of an administrative fine not to exceed
9 \$1,000 for each count or separate offense.

10 (d) Issuance of a reprimand.

11 (e) Placement of the certificateholder ~~radiologic~~
12 ~~technologist~~ on probation for such period of time and subject
13 to such conditions as the department may specify, including
14 requiring the certificateholder ~~radiologic technologist~~ to
15 submit to treatment, to undertake further relevant education
16 or training, to take an examination, or to work under the
17 supervision of a licensed practitioner.

18 (3) The department shall not reinstate a person's ~~the~~
19 ~~certificate of a radiologic technologist~~, or cause a
20 certificate to be issued to a person it has deemed
21 unqualified, until such time as the department is satisfied
22 that such person has complied with all the terms and
23 conditions set forth in the final order and is capable of
24 safely engaging in the practice of his or her certified
25 profession ~~radiologic technology~~.

26 (5) A final disciplinary action taken against a
27 certificateholder ~~radiologic technologist~~ in another
28 jurisdiction, whether voluntary or mandatory, shall be
29 considered conclusive proof of grounds for a disciplinary
30 proceeding under this part.

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1 Section 11. Section 468.311, Florida Statutes, is
2 amended to read:

3 468.311 Violations; penalties.--Each of the following
4 acts constitutes a misdemeanor of the second degree,
5 punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083:

6 (1) Practicing radiologic technology or performing the
7 duties of a radiologist assistant without holding an active
8 certificate to do so.

9 (2) Using or attempting to use a certificate which has
10 been suspended or revoked.

11 (3) The willful practice of radiologic technology or
12 the willful performance of the duties of a radiologist
13 assistant by a student ~~radiologic technologist~~ without a
14 direct supervisor being present.

15 (4) Knowingly allowing a student ~~radiologic~~
16 ~~technologist~~ to practice radiologic technology or perform the
17 duties of a radiologist assistant without a direct supervisor
18 being present.

19 (5) Obtaining or attempting to obtain a certificate
20 under this part through bribery or fraudulent
21 misrepresentation.

22 (6) Using any the name or title specified in s.
23 468.302(2) "Certified Radiologic Technologist" or any other
24 name or title which implies that a person is certified to
25 practice radiologic technology or to perform the duties of a
26 radiologist assistant, unless such person is duly certified as
27 provided in this part.

28 (7) Knowingly concealing information relating to the
29 enforcement of this part or rules adopted pursuant to this
30 part.

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1 (8) Employing, for the purpose of applying ionizing
2 radiation to, or otherwise practicing radiologic technology or
3 any of the duties of a radiologist assistant on, any human
4 being, any individual who is not certified under the
5 provisions of this part.

6 Section 12. Section 468.3115, Florida Statutes, is
7 amended to read:

8 468.3115 Injunctive relief.--The practice of
9 radiologic technology or the performance of the duties of a
10 radiologist assistant in violation of this part, or the
11 performance of any act prohibited in this part, is declared a
12 nuisance inimical to the public health, safety, and welfare of
13 this state. In addition to other remedies provided in this
14 part, the department, or any state attorney in the name of the
15 people of this state, may bring an action for an injunction to
16 restrain such violation until compliance with the provisions
17 of this part and the rules adopted pursuant to this part has
18 been demonstrated to the satisfaction of the department.

19 Section 13. Subsections (1), (2), and (5) of section
20 468.314, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

21 468.314 Advisory Council on Radiation Protection;
22 appointment; terms; powers; duties.--

23 (1) The Advisory Council on Radiation Protection is
24 created within the Department of Health and shall consist of
25 16 ~~15~~ persons to be appointed by the secretary for 3-year
26 terms.

27 (2) The council shall be comprised of:

28 (a) A certified radiologic technologist-radiographer.

29 (b) A certified radiologic technologist-nuclear
30 medicine.

31 (c) A certified radiologic technologist-therapy.

- 1 (d) A basic X-ray machine operator or a licensed
2 practitioner who employs such an operator.
- 3 (e) A board-certified radiologist.
- 4 (f) A board-certified nuclear medicine physician.
- 5 (g) A certified health physicist.
- 6 (h) A certified radiologist assistant.
- 7 ~~(i)(h)~~ A representative from the administration of a
8 hospital affiliated with a radiologic technology educational
9 program.
- 10 ~~(j)(i)~~ An expert in environmental radiation matters.
- 11 ~~(k)(j)~~ A chiropractic radiologist.
- 12 ~~(l)(k)~~ A board-certified podiatric physician.
- 13 ~~(m)(l)~~ A board-certified radiological physicist.
- 14 ~~(n)(m)~~ A board-certified therapeutic radiologist or
15 board-certified radiation oncologist.
- 16 ~~(o)(n)~~ Two persons, neither of whom has ever been
17 certified pursuant to this part ~~as a radiologic technologist~~
18 or been a member of any closely related profession.
- 19 (5)(a) The council may recommend to the department
20 examination procedures for applicants and minimum requirements
21 for qualification of applicants.
- 22 (b) The council shall:
- 23 1. Recommend to the department a code of ethics for
24 the certificateholder's practice of his or her certified
25 profession ~~radiologic technology~~.
- 26 2. Make recommendations for the improvement of
27 continuing education courses.
- 28 3. Make recommendations to the department on matters
29 relating to the practice of radiologic technology, the
30 performance of the duties of a radiologist assistant, and
31 radiation protection.

1 4. Study the utilization of medical imaging and
2 nonionizing radiation, such as nuclear magnetic resonance or
3 similarly related technology, and make recommendations to the
4 department on the personnel appropriate to conduct such
5 procedures and the minimum qualifications for such personnel.

6 Section 14. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.

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8 STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN
9 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
10 Senate Bill 1366

11 The committee substitute revises part IV, chapter 468, Florida
12 Statutes, relating to the certification of radiologic
13 technologists, to conform existing statutory provisions to
14 reflect the licensure of certified radiologist assistants.
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