

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to physician assistant workforce
 3 surveys; amending ss. 458.347 and 459.022, F.S.;
 4 requiring that a physician assistant license renewal
 5 include the submission of a completed physician
 6 assistant workforce survey; requiring the Department
 7 of Health to report the data collected from such
 8 surveys to the boards biennially; requiring
 9 rulemaking; providing an effective date.

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 11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 13 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (7) of section
 14 458.347, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

15 458.347 Physician assistants.—

16 (7) PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT LICENSURE.—

17 (b)1. The license must be renewed biennially. Each renewal
 18 must include:

19 a.1. A renewal fee not to exceed \$500 as set by the
 20 boards.

21 b.2. Acknowledgment of no felony convictions in the
 22 previous 2 years.

23 c. A completed physician assistant workforce survey, which
 24 shall be administered in the same manner as the physician survey
 25 established in s. 458.3191 and must contain the same information

26 required in s. 458.3191(1) and (2).

27 2. Beginning July 1, 2018, and every 2 years thereafter,
28 the department shall report the data collected from the
29 physician assistant workforce surveys to the boards.

30 3. The department shall adopt rules to implement this
31 paragraph.

32 Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (7) of section
33 459.022, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

34 459.022 Physician assistants.—

35 (7) PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT LICENSURE.—

36 (b)1. The licensure must be renewed biennially. Each
37 renewal must include:

38 ~~a.1.~~ A renewal fee not to exceed \$500 as set by the
39 boards.

40 ~~b.2.~~ Acknowledgment of no felony convictions in the
41 previous 2 years.

42 c. A completed physician assistant workforce survey, which
43 shall be administered in the same manner as the physician survey
44 established in s. 459.0081 and must contain the same information
45 required under s. 459.0081(1) and (2).

46 2. Beginning July 1, 2018, and every 2 years thereafter,
47 the department shall report the data collected from the
48 physician assistant workforce surveys to the boards.

49 3. The department shall adopt rules to implement this
50 paragraph.

51 | Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law. |