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The Committee on Health Policy (Harrell) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

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Delete lines 16 - 66

4 and insert:

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1. The chairperson of the Board of Medicine shall appoint two three members who are physicians and members of the Board of Medicine. At least one of the physicians must supervise a physician assistant in the physician's practice.

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- 2. The chairperson of the Board of Osteopathic Medicine shall appoint one member who is a physician and a member of the Board of Osteopathic Medicine.
- 3. The State Surgeon General or his or her designee shall appoint three a fully licensed physician assistants assistant licensed under this chapter or chapter 459.
- (b) At least two of the members appointed to the council must be physicians who supervise physician assistants in their practice. Members shall be appointed to terms of 4 years, except that of the initial appointments, two members shall be appointed to terms of 2 years, two members shall be appointed to terms of 3 years, and one member shall be appointed to a term of 4 years, as established by rule of the boards. Council members may not serve more than two consecutive terms. The council shall annually elect a chairperson from among its members. For any given year, if the election of a chairperson ends in a tie vote, the State Surgeon General shall select the chairperson from among the council members.

Section 2. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (9) of section 459.022, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

459.022 Physician assistants.-

- (9) COUNCIL ON PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS.—The Council on Physician Assistants is created within the department.
- (a) The council shall consist of six five members appointed as follows:
- 1. The chairperson of the Board of Medicine shall appoint two three members who are physicians and members of the Board of Medicine. At least one of the physicians must supervise a physician assistant in the physician's practice.

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- 2. The chairperson of the Board of Osteopathic Medicine shall appoint one member who is a physician and a member of the Board of Osteopathic Medicine.
- 3. The State Surgeon General or her or his designee shall appoint three a fully licensed physician assistants assistant licensed under chapter 458 or this chapter.
- (b) At least two of the members appointed to the council must be physicians who supervise physician assistants in their practice. Members shall be appointed to terms of 4 years, except that of the initial appointments, two members shall be appointed to terms of 2 years, two members shall be appointed to terms of 3 years, and one member shall be appointed to a term of 4 years, as established by rule of the boards. Council members may not serve more than two consecutive terms. The council shall annually elect a chairperson from among its members. For any given year, if the election of a chairperson ends in a tie vote, the State Surgeon General shall select the chairperson from among the council members.