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HOUSE BILL NO. 1209

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE SHIELDS.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 334.747, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to controlled substance prescriptions by physician assistants.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 334.747, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu 2 thereof, to be known as section 334.747, to read as follows:

1. A physician assistant with a certificate of controlled substance 334.747. 2 prescriptive authority as provided in this section may prescribe any controlled substance listed in Schedule III, IV, or V of section 195.017, and may have restricted authority in 3 4 Schedule II, when delegated the authority to prescribe controlled substances in a collaborative 5 practice arrangement. Such authority shall be listed on the collaborating physician form on 6 file with the state board of healing arts. The collaborating physician shall maintain the right 7 to limit a specific scheduled drug or scheduled drug category that the physician assistant is permitted to prescribe. Any limitations shall be listed on the collaborating physician form. 8 9 Prescriptions for Schedule II medications prescribed by a physician assistant with authority to prescribe delegated in a collaborative practice arrangement are restricted to only those 10 medications containing hydrocodone. Physician assistants shall not prescribe controlled 11 substances for themselves or members of their families. Schedule III narcotic controlled 12 substances and Schedule II - hydrocodone prescriptions shall be limited to a five-day supply 13 14 without refill, except that buprenorphine may be prescribed for up to a thirty-day supply 15 without refill for patients receiving medication-assisted treatment for substance use disorders under the direction of the collaborating physician. Physician assistants who are authorized to 16 17 prescribe controlled substances under this section shall register with the federal Drug

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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18 Enforcement Administration and the state bureau of narcotics and dangerous drugs, and shall 19 include the Drug Enforcement Administration registration number on prescriptions for 20 controlled substances.

2. The collaborating physician shall be responsible to determine and document the 22 completion of at least one hundred twenty hours in a four-month period by the physician 23 assistant during which the physician assistant shall practice with the collaborating physician 24 on-site prior to prescribing controlled substances when the collaborating physician is not on-25 site. Such limitation shall not apply to physician assistants of population-based public health 26 services as defined in 20 CSR 2150-5.100 as of April 30, 2009.

3. A physician assistant shall receive a certificate of controlled substance prescriptive
authority from the board of healing arts upon verification of the completion of the following
educational requirements:

(1) Successful completion of an advanced pharmacology course that includes clinical
 training in the prescription of drugs, medicines, and therapeutic devices. A course or courses
 with advanced pharmacological content in a physician assistant program accredited by the
 Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA) or its
 predecessor agency shall satisfy such requirement;

(2) Completion of a minimum of three hundred clock hours of clinical training by the
 collaborating physician in the prescription of drugs, medicines, and therapeutic devices;

37 (3) Completion of a minimum of one year of supervised clinical practice or 38 supervised clinical rotations. One year of clinical rotations in a program accredited by the 39 Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA) or its 40 predecessor agency, which includes pharmacotherapeutics as a component of its clinical 41 training, shall satisfy such requirement. Proof of such training shall serve to document 42 experience in the prescribing of drugs, medicines, and therapeutic devices;

43 (4) A physician assistant previously licensed in a jurisdiction where physician 44 assistants are authorized to prescribe controlled substances may obtain a state bureau of 45 narcotics and dangerous drugs registration if a collaborating physician can attest that the 46 physician assistant has met the requirements of subdivisions (1) to (3) of this subsection and 47 provides documentation of existing federal Drug Enforcement Agency registration.

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