

SENATE BILL 726

By Watson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63,
Chapter 31, Part 1, relative to polysomnography.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-31-101(7), is amended by deleting the word "general" and by substituting instead the word "direct".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-31-101(8), is amended by deleting the language "accredited by the American Academy of Sleep Medicine" and by substituting instead the language "acceptable to the board".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-31-101(9), is amended by deleting the language "; and" at the end of subdivision (iv) and substituting instead a period and by deleting in its entirety subdivision (v).

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-31-106(b)(1), is amended by deleting subdivision (D) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(D) The successful completion of an on-the-job training program acceptable to the board; however, this option shall not remain available after July 1, 2010;

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-31-106(b), is amended by deleting subdivisions (2) and (3) in their entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(2) Pass the national certifying examination given by a nationally recognized certification organization, including but not limited to, the board of registered polysomnographic technologists or the national board for respiratory care;

(3) Be credentialed by a nationally recognized credentialing organization, including but not limited to, the board of registered polysomnographic technologists or the national board for respiratory care; and

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-31-107(a)(1), is amended by deleting the word “general” and by substituting instead the word “direct”.

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-31-107(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (2) in its entirety, and by substituting instead the following language:

(2) A polysomnographic trainee may provide sleep-related services under the direct supervision of a polysomnographic technologist as a part of the person’s training program acceptable to the board;

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-31-107(a), is amended by deleting subdivisions (4) and (5) in their entirety.

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-31-107(c), is amended by deleting the language “an A-STEP educational program accredited by the American Academy of Sleep Medicine” and by substituting instead the language “a training program acceptable to the board”.

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-31-107(e), is amended by deleting the language “shall not receive compensation for the sleep related services they provide and”.

SECTION 11. This act shall take effect upon July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.