1st Sub. S.B. 28 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT MENTAL HEALTH PRACTICE AMENDMENTS

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

AMENDMENT 1

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Senator Curtis S. Bramble proposes the following amendments:

1. Page 14, Line 425 through Page 15, Line 451:	
425	(a) meets the requirements described in Subsections 58-70a-501.1(1)(a) through (c);
426	{ _and_ }
427	(b) engages in the practice of mental health therapy { in collaboration with } under the
	<u>supervision of :</u>
428	(i) a physician assistant specializing in psychiatric mental health; or
429	(ii) a physician who is board certified in psychiatry {} ; and
	(c) engages in the practice of mental health therapy in accordance with rules made by the division
	regarding the supervision described in Subsection (9)(b).
430	{ (10) (a) A physician assistant who does not specialize in psychiatric mental health may
431	provide mental health therapy as defined in Section 58-60-102 if the physician assistant enters
432	into a collaborative practice agreement with:
433	(i) a psychiatrist; or
434	(ii) a physician assistant specializing in psychiatric mental health.
435	(b) A physician assistant who provides mental health therapy under Subsection (9):
436	(i) may provide psychoeducation and limited supportive counseling:
437	(A) as part of a health care team; and
438	(B) in accordance with the physician assistant's collaborative practice agreement;
439	(ii) may not practice independently or provide formal psychotherapy;
440	(iii) shall maintain a formal collaborative agreement at the practice that describes the
441	scope of services that may be provided by the physician assistant; and
442	(iv) shall make the collaborative agreement available to the division or the board upon
443	request by the division or the board.
444	(c) A physician assistant who practices in a non-psychiatric setting may provide mental
445	health therapy as defined in Section 58-60-102, including psychoeducation and limited
446	supportive counseling, if:
447	(i) the services are consistent with:
448	(A) customary and accepted practices for the physician assistant's practice setting;
449	(B) the physician assistant's education, training, and experience; and
450	(C) applicable standards of care; and
451	(ii) the physician assistant does not provide formal psychotherapy.