

House Study Bill 167

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HUMAN RESOURCES BILL
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act to eliminate certain restrictions on the authority of a
2 physician assistant to prescribe certain schedule II
3 controlled substances.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. Section 147.107, subsection 5, Code 2005, is
1 2 amended to read as follows:
1 3 5. Notwithstanding subsection 1 and any other provision of
1 4 this section to the contrary, a physician may delegate the
1 5 function of prescribing drugs, controlled substances, and
1 6 medical devices to a physician assistant licensed pursuant to
1 7 chapter 148C. When delegated prescribing occurs, the
1 8 supervising physician's name shall be used, recorded, or
1 9 otherwise indicated in connection with each individual
1 10 prescription so that the individual who dispenses or
1 11 administers the prescription knows under whose delegated
1 12 authority the physician assistant is prescribing. Rules
1 13 relating to the authority of physician assistants to prescribe
1 14 drugs, controlled substances, and medical devices pursuant to
1 15 this subsection shall be adopted by the board of physician
1 16 assistant examiners, after consultation with the board of
1 17 medical examiners and the board of pharmacy examiners.
1 18 ~~However, the rules shall prohibit the prescribing of schedule~~
1 19 ~~II controlled substances which are listed as stimulants or~~
1 20 ~~depressants pursuant to chapter 124.~~

1 21 EXPLANATION
1 22 A physician may delegate the function of prescribing drugs
1 23 and controlled substances to a physician assistant, subject to
1 24 rules adopted by the physician assistant examiners board.
1 25 Current law requires that the board rules prohibit the
1 26 prescribing of schedule II controlled substances which are
1 27 listed as stimulants or depressants pursuant to Code chapter
1 28 124.

1 29 This bill strikes that rule requirement. The effect of the
1 30 bill is give the physician assistant examiners board the
1 31 discretion to eliminate the restriction regarding the
1 32 prescribing of such schedule II controlled substances by
1 33 physician assistants in its rules.
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