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Overview

This bill removes the requirement for physician assistants to negotiate a delegation agreement with an alternate supervising physician by striking references and repealing provisions related to alternate supervising physicians. It removes the limitation on the number of physician assistants a physician is allowed to supervise.

Section

- **Physician-physician assistant delegation agreement.** Amends § 147A.01, subd. 17a. In the definition of "physician-physician assistant delegation agreement," strikes sentence allowing an agreement between a physician assistant and an alternate supervising physician.
- **Supervising physician.** Amends § 147A.01, subd. 23. In the definition of "supervising physician," strikes status as primary supervising physician. Strikes limitation on the number of full-time equivalent physician assistants who can be supervised by a physician. (Current law allows a physician to supervise no more than five full-time equivalent physician assistants. The amended language in the bill removes this limitation.)
- **Physician-physician assistant delegation agreement.** Amends § 147A.20, subd. 1. Strikes paragraph (d), requiring identification of an alternate supervising physician on the delegation agreement.
- **Practice location notification.** Amends § 147A.20, subd. 2. Requires physician assistants to notify the Board of Medical Practice within 30 days of starting or changing practice location.
- **Revisor's instruction.** Instructs the revisor to change the term "physician's assistant" to "physician assistant" wherever the term is found in statute and rule.

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Section

Repealer. Repeals § 147A.01, subd. 5 (definition of "alternate supervising physician").