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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

- 1** **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.
- 2** **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.)
- 3** **Physician-physician assistant delegation agreement.** Amends § 147A.20, subd. 1. Strikes paragraph (d), requiring identification of an alternate supervising physician on the delegation agreement.
- 4** **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.
- 5** **Repealer.** Repeals §§ 147A.01, subd. 5 (definition of “alternate supervising physician”); and 147A.20, subd. 2 (requirement to notify the board of the physician assistant’s intent to practice).