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### Overview

This bill would establish licensure for graduate registered physicians, who have graduated from medical school but have not completed an Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) postgraduate training program (a residency or fellowship program). Individuals licensed under this section would be permitted to practice medicine under a supervising physician and within the parameters of a protocol.

#### Section

**1 Graduate registered physicians.** Proposes coding for § 147.045.

**Subd. 1. Definitions.** Defines the following terms:

“Graduate registered physician,” “Medical school,” “Supervising physician,”  
“Supervision.”

**Subd. 2. Qualifications for licensure.** (a) Requires a graduate registered physician to be a Minnesota or U.S. citizen, or resident legal alien; a graduate of a medical school; and not currently enrolled in an ACGME training program.

(b) Specifies the application requirements for graduate registered physician licensure.

(c) Allows the Board of Medical Practice to issue a license under this section if a person meets the requirements of subdivision 2 and who is of good moral character.

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(d) Requires a graduate registered physician to enter into a protocol with a supervising physician and submit the protocol and a notification of intent to practice to the board before practicing. Specifies what the notification must include.

**Subd. 3. Renewal.** Specifies that a license is valid for three years; outlines provisions relating to renewal and inactivity.

**Subd. 4. Scope of practice.** (a) Specifies that a graduate registered physician may only provide health care services under the supervision of a licensed physician and must work under a protocol drafted by the supervising physician and approved by the board; specifies what the protocol must include.

Allows for delegated duties to include prescribing and administering drugs and medical devices and issuing patient care orders; allows the supervising physician to designate a back-up supervisor.

(b) Requires the supervising physician to be identified on all orders or prescriptions.

(c) Specifies that the graduate registered physician is considered the agent of the supervising physician.

**Subd. 5. Supervision requirements.** (a) Requires the supervising physician or back-up to be present at the site.

(b) Requires the supervising physician to regularly evaluate and provide feedback to the graduate registered physician.

(c) Specifies the qualifications required for a supervising physician.

(d) Allows a supervising physician to supervise up to three graduate registered physicians.

**Subd. 6. Discipline.** Specifies prohibited conduct and outlines disciplinary actions the board may take.

**Subd. 7. Title protection.** Prohibits the use of the term “graduate registered physician” or any combination or abbreviation, by anyone not licensed under this section.

**Subd. 8. Rulemaking authority.** Allows the board to promulgate rules as necessary.

**Subd. 9. Malpractice.** Specifies that a graduate registered physician is subject to the same legal liability as a supervising physician.