

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO S.B. 1312

(Reference to printed bill)

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert:

2 "Section 1. Section 32-2001, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 32-2001. Definitions

5 In this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

6 1. "Assistive personnel":

7 (a) Includes:

8 (i) Physical therapist assistants. ~~and~~

9 (ii) Physical therapy aides. ~~and~~

10 (iii) Other assistive personnel who are trained or educated health
11 care providers and who are not physical therapist assistants or physical
12 therapy aides but who perform specific designated tasks related to physical
13 therapy under the supervision of a physical therapist. At the discretion
14 of the supervising physical therapist, and if properly credentialed and not
15 prohibited by any other law, other assistive personnel may be identified by
16 the title specific to their training or education. ~~This paragraph~~

17 (b) Does not ~~apply to~~ INCLUDE personnel assisting other health care
18 professionals licensed pursuant to this title in ~~the performance of~~
19 PERFORMING delegable treatment responsibilities within their scope of
20 practice.

21 2. "Board" means the board of physical therapy.

22 3. "Business entity" means a business organization that has an
23 ownership that includes any persons who are not licensed or certified to
24 provide physical therapy services in this state, that offers to the public

1 professional services regulated by the board and that is established
2 pursuant to the laws of any state or foreign country.

3 4. "Dry needling" means a skilled intervention performed by a
4 physical therapist that uses a thin filiform needle to penetrate the skin
5 and stimulate underlying neural, muscular and connective tissues ~~for the~~
6 ~~evaluation~~ TO EVALUATE and ~~management of~~ MANAGE neuromusculoskeletal
7 conditions, pain and movement impairments.

8 5. "General supervision" means that the supervising physical
9 therapist is on call and is readily available via telecommunications when
10 the physical therapist assistant is providing treatment interventions.

11 6. "Interim permit" means a permit issued by the board that allows a
12 person to practice as a physical therapist in this state or to work as a
13 physical therapist assistant for a specific period of time and under
14 conditions prescribed by the board before that person is issued a license
15 or certificate.

16 7. "Manual therapy techniques" means a broad group of passive
17 interventions in which physical therapists use their hands to administer
18 skilled movements designed to modulate pain, increase joint range of
19 motion, reduce or eliminate soft tissue swelling, inflammation, or
20 restriction, induce relaxation, improve contractile and noncontractile
21 tissue extensibility, and improve pulmonary function. These interventions
22 involve a variety of techniques, such as the application of graded forces.

23 8. "On-site supervision" means that the supervising physical
24 therapist is on site and is present in the facility or on the campus where
25 assistive personnel or a holder of an interim permit is performing
26 services, is immediately available to assist the person being supervised in
27 the services being performed and maintains continued involvement in
28 appropriate aspects of each treatment session in which a component of
29 treatment is delegated.

30 9. "Physical therapist" means a person who is licensed pursuant to
31 this chapter.

1 10. "Physical therapist assistant" means a person who meets the
2 requirements of this chapter for certification and who performs physical
3 therapy procedures and related tasks that have been selected and delegated
4 by the supervising physical therapist.

5 11. "Physical therapy" means the care and services provided by or
6 under the direction and supervision of a physical therapist who is licensed
7 pursuant to this chapter.

8 12. "Physical therapy aide" means a person who is trained under the
9 direction of a physical therapist and who performs designated and
10 supervised routine physical therapy tasks.

11 13. "Practice of physical therapy" means:

12 (a) Examining, evaluating and testing persons who have mechanical,
13 physiological and developmental impairments, functional limitations and
14 disabilities or other health and movement related conditions in order to
15 determine a diagnosis, a prognosis and a plan of therapeutic intervention
16 and to assess the ongoing effects of intervention, **INCLUDING ORDERING**
17 **MUSCULOSKELETAL IMAGING CONSISTING OF PLAIN FILM RADIOGRAPHS.**

18 (b) Alleviating impairments and functional limitations by managing,
19 designing, implementing and modifying therapeutic interventions including:

20 (i) Therapeutic exercise.

21 (ii) Functional training in self-care and in home, community or work
22 reintegration.

23 (iii) Manual therapy techniques.

24 (iv) Therapeutic massage.

25 (v) Assistive and adaptive orthotic, prosthetic, protective and
26 supportive devices and equipment.

27 (vi) Pulmonary hygiene.

28 (vii) Debridement and wound care.

29 (viii) Physical agents or modalities.

30 (ix) Mechanical and electrotherapeutic modalities.

31 (x) Patient related instruction.

1 (c) Reducing the risk of injury, impairments, functional limitations
2 and disability by means that include promoting and maintaining a person's
3 fitness, health and quality of life.

4 (d) Engaging in administration, consultation, education and
5 research.

6 14. "Restricted certificate" means a certificate on which the board
7 ~~has placed~~ PLACES any restrictions as the result of a disciplinary action.

8 15. "Restricted license" means a license on which the board places
9 restrictions or conditions, or both, as to the scope of practice, place of
10 practice, supervision of practice, duration of licensed status or type or
11 condition of a patient to whom the licensee may provide services.

12 16. "Restricted registration" means a registration ON WHICH the
13 board ~~has placed~~ PLACES any restrictions ~~on~~ as the result of disciplinary
14 action.

15 Sec. 2. Title 32, chapter 19, article 3, Arizona Revised Statutes,
16 is amended by adding section 32-2041.01, to read:

17 32-2041.01. Musculoskeletal imaging; ordering; requirements

18 A PHYSICAL THERAPIST MAY ORDER MUSCULOSKELETAL IMAGING CONSISTING OF
19 PLAIN FILM RADIOGRAPHS. THE IMAGING SHALL BE PERFORMED BY A HEALTH CARE
20 PROVIDER WHO IS AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE TO PERFORM THE IMAGING
21 AND SHALL BE INTERPRETED BY A PHYSICIAN WHO IS LICENSED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER
22 13, 14 OR 17 OF THIS TITLE AND TRAINED IN RADIOLOGY INTERPRETATION."

23 Amend title to conform

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