

Senate Engrossed House Bill

license exemption; basic first aid

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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 32-1421, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE
ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 32-1421, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 32-1421. Exemptions from licensing requirements; definition

5 A. This article does not apply to any person while engaged in:

6 1. The provision of medical assistance in case of an emergency.

7 2. The administration of family remedies, including the sale of
8 vitamins, health foods or health food supplements or any other natural
9 remedies, except drugs or medicines for which an authorized prescription
10 is required by law.

11 3. The practice of religion, treatment by prayer or the laying on
12 of hands as a religious rite or ordinance.

13 4. The practice of any of the healing arts of and by Indian tribes
14 in this state.

15 5. The lawful practice of any of the healing arts to the extent
16 authorized by a license issued by this state.

17 6. Activities or functions that do not require the exercise of a
18 doctor of medicine's judgment for their performance, are not in violation
19 of the laws of this state and are usually or customarily delegated by a
20 doctor of medicine under the doctor's direction or supervision or are
21 performed in accordance with the approval of a committee of physicians in
22 a licensed health care institution.

23 7. The official duties of a medical officer in the armed forces of
24 the United States, the United States department of veterans affairs or the
25 United States public health service or their successor agencies, if the
26 duties are restricted to federal lands.

27 8. Any act, task or function competently performed by a physician
28 assistant in the proper performance of the physician assistant's duties.

29 9. The emergency harvesting of donor organs by a doctor of medicine
30 or team of doctors of medicine licensed to practice medicine in another
31 state or country for use in another state or country.

32 10. PROVIDING BASIC FIRST AID IN GOOD FAITH AND WITHOUT
33 COMPENSATION TO AN INJURED PERSON IF THE INDIVIDUAL ADMINISTERING THE
34 BASIC FIRST AID OBTAINS THE INJURED PERSON'S CONSENT BEFORE RENDERING
35 ASSISTANCE. IF THE INJURED PERSON IS UNDER FIFTEEN YEARS OF AGE, CONSENT
36 MUST BE OBTAINED FROM A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN. IF THE INDIVIDUAL
37 ADMINISTERING THE BASIC FIRST AID DETERMINES THAT THE INJURED PERSON IS
38 UNDER FIFTEEN YEARS OF AGE, THE INDIVIDUAL MUST NOTIFY LAW ENFORCEMENT OF
39 THE INJURED PERSON'S CONDITION.

40 B. This article does not apply to:

41 1. A doctor of medicine residing in another jurisdiction who is
42 authorized to practice medicine in that jurisdiction, if the doctor
43 engages in actual single or infrequent consultation with a doctor of
44 medicine licensed in this state and if the consultation regards a specific
45 patient or patients.

1 2. A doctor of medicine who is licensed to practice in another
2 jurisdiction if the doctor engages in the practice of medicine that is
3 limited to patients with whom the doctor has an already established
4 doctor-patient relationship and who reside outside this jurisdiction when
5 both the doctor and the patient are physically in this state for not more
6 than sixty consecutive days. For the purposes of this paragraph,
7 "patient" means a person who is not a resident of this state and who is an
8 athlete or a professional entertainer.

9 C. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "BASIC FIRST AID":

10 1. MEANS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

11 (a) CLEANING MINOR CUTS, SCRAPES OR SCRATCHES.

12 (b) TREATING A MINOR BURN.

13 (c) APPLYING BANDAGES AND DRESSINGS.

14 (d) PROVIDING FLUIDS TO RELIEVE HEAT STRESS.

15 2. INCLUDES ADMINISTERING ANTISEPTICS OR TOPICAL OINTMENTS, CREAMS
16 OR ANALGESICS AND, IF REQUESTED, PROVIDING NONPRESCRIPTION PAIN-RELIEVING
17 MEDICATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF TREATING THE AILMENTS SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH
18 1 OF THIS SUBSECTION.