

SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
**HOUSE BILL NO. 1515**  
**93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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Reported from the Committee on Professional Registration and Licensing March 9, 2006 with recommendation that House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 1515 Do Pass by Consent. Referred to the Committee on Rules pursuant to Rule 25(26)(f).

STEPHEN S. DAVIS, Chief Clerk

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**AN ACT**

To repeal section 334.104, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to collaborative practice.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 334.104, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 334.104, to read as follows:

334.104. 1. A physician may enter into collaborative practice arrangements with registered professional nurses. Collaborative practice arrangements shall be in the form of written agreements, jointly agreed-upon protocols, or standing orders for the delivery of health care services. Collaborative practice arrangements, which shall be in writing, may delegate to a registered professional nurse the authority to administer or dispense drugs and provide treatment as long as the delivery of such health care services is within the scope of practice of the registered professional nurse and is consistent with that nurse's skill, training and competence.

2. Collaborative practice arrangements, which shall be in writing, may delegate to a registered professional nurse the authority to administer, dispense or prescribe drugs and provide treatment if the registered professional nurse is an advanced practice nurse as defined in subdivision (2) of section 335.016, RSMo. Such collaborative practice arrangements shall be in the form of written agreements, jointly agreed-upon protocols or standing orders for the delivery of health care services.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

15           3. The state board of registration for the healing arts pursuant to section 334.125 and the  
16 board of nursing pursuant to section 335.036, RSMo, may jointly promulgate rules regulating  
17 the use of collaborative practice arrangements. Such rules shall be limited to specifying  
18 geographic areas to be covered, the methods of treatment that may be covered by collaborative  
19 practice arrangements and the requirements for review of services provided pursuant to  
20 collaborative practice arrangements. Any rules relating to dispensing or distribution of  
21 medications or devices by prescription or prescription drug orders under this section shall be  
22 subject to the approval of the state board of pharmacy. In order to take effect, such rules shall  
23 be approved by a majority vote of a quorum of each board. Neither the state board of registration  
24 for the healing arts nor the board of nursing may separately promulgate rules relating to  
25 collaborative practice arrangements. Such jointly promulgated rules shall be consistent with  
26 guidelines for federally funded clinics. The rulemaking authority granted in this subsection shall  
27 not extend to collaborative practice arrangements of hospital employees providing inpatient care  
28 within hospitals as defined pursuant to chapter 197, RSMo.

29           4. The state board of registration for the healing arts shall not deny, revoke, suspend or  
30 otherwise take disciplinary action against a physician for health care services delegated to a  
31 registered professional nurse provided the provisions of this section and the rules promulgated  
32 thereunder are satisfied. Upon the written request of a physician subject to a disciplinary action  
33 imposed as a result of an agreement between a physician and a registered professional nurse or  
34 registered physician assistant, whether written or not, prior to August 28, 1993, all records of  
35 such disciplinary licensure action and all records pertaining to the filing, investigation or review  
36 of an alleged violation of this chapter incurred as a result of such an agreement shall be removed  
37 from the records of the state board of registration for the healing arts and the division of  
38 professional registration and shall not be disclosed to any public or private entity seeking such  
39 information from the board or the division. The state board of registration for the healing arts  
40 shall take action to correct reports of alleged violations and disciplinary actions as described in  
41 this section which have been submitted to the National Practitioner Data Bank. In subsequent  
42 applications or representations relating to his medical practice, a physician completing forms or  
43 documents shall not be required to report any actions of the state board of registration for the  
44 healing arts for which the records are subject to removal under this section.

45           5. **Within thirty days of any change and on each renewal, the state board of**  
46 **registration for the healing arts shall require every physician to identify whether the**  
47 **physician is engaged in any collaborative practice agreement or physician assistant**  
48 **agreement and also report to the board the name of each licensed professional with whom**  
49 **the physician has entered into such agreement. The board may make this information**  
50 **available to the public. The board shall track the reported information and may routinely**

51 **conduct random reviews of such agreements to ensure that agreements are carried out for**  
52 **compliance under this chapter.**

53         **6.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this section, a registered nurse who has  
54 graduated from a school of nurse anesthesia accredited by the Council on Accreditation of  
55 Educational Programs of Nurse Anesthesia or its predecessor and has been certified or is eligible  
56 for certification as a nurse anesthetist by the Council on Certification of Nurse Anesthetists shall  
57 be permitted to provide anesthesia services without a collaborative practice arrangement  
58 provided that he or she is under the supervision of an anesthesiologist or other physician, dentist,  
59 or podiatrist who is immediately available if needed.

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