HB 208 -- Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Quality Assurance Act of 2007

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This bill establishes the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Quality Assurance Act of 2007. The bill:

(1) Establishes the Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Board of Examiners within the Division of Professional Registration in the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration;

(2) Requires all persons administering medical imaging and radiation therapy procedures to be licensed by the board;

(3) Exempts physicians, veterinarians, dentists, chiropractors, podiatrists, registered nurses, and certain qualified persons currently practicing medical imaging and radiation therapy from licensure;

(4) Establishes certain criteria to be met by applicants for licensure as radiographers, radiation therapists, nuclear medicine technologists, and dental radiographers;

(5) Authorizes the board to certify programs for medical imaging and radiation therapy in medical facilities, dental facilities, educational institutions, or other public or private institutions;

(6) Authorizes the board to adopt rules; give examinations;waive examination requirements; establish continuing education;issue temporary permits; and renew, revoke, and suspend licenses;

(7) Authorizes the board to investigate charges and allegations brought against licensees, issue subpoenas, hold hearings, render judgments, and hear appeals; and

(8) Requires, beginning August 28, 2009, persons providing the technical component of diagnostic ultrasound services (sonography or vascular technology) to be credentialed or practice in an accredited laboratory.