HB 1481 -- COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE ARRANGEMENTS

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Currently, a collaborative practice arrangement must include how a physician and an advanced practice registered nurse will maintain geographic proximity. This bill removes the geographic proximity requirement and specifies that a collaborative arrangement agreement must include how a physician and advanced practice registered nurse will maintain effective electronic communication and that a description of the time and manner of the collaborating physician's review of the advanced practice registered nurse's delivery of health care services may be through review of electronic medical records.

The bill specifies that all rules jointly promulgated by the State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts and the Board of Nursing within the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration regulating collaborative practice prior to August 28, 2014, except those relating to the authority to prescribe controlled substances, must be null and void.