

HB 3484 -- UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY

SPONSOR: Coleman

Currently, it is illegal for any person who isn't a registered physician to practice medicine or perform a surgery or practice medicine across state lines.

This bill specifies that the term "surgery" means any:

- (1) Structural alteration of the human body by the incision or destruction of tissues;
- (2) Localized alteration or transposition of live human tissue that:
  - (a) Is a diagnostic or therapeutic treatment of a condition or disease process;
  - (b) Is accomplished through the use of any instrument including, but not limited to, lasers, ultrasound, ionizing radiation, scalpels, probes, and needles; and
  - (c) Involves cutting, burning, vaporizing, freezing, suturing, or probing the tissue; manipulating the tissue by closed reductions for major dislocations or fractures; or otherwise altering the tissue by mechanical, thermal, light-based, electromagnetic, or chemical means; or
- (3) Injection of diagnostic or therapeutic substances into body cavities, internal organs, joints, sensory organs, and the central nervous system. This paragraph shall not include the administration of subcutaneous, intramuscular, and intravenous injections by a licensed nurse when ordered by a physician and within the scope of practice of the nurse.