

**SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

February 9, 2022

**AS AMENDED**

SENATE BILL NO. 1542

By: Rosino

An Act relating to physician assistants; amending 59 O.S. 2021, Section 519.11, which relates to construction of the Physician Assistant Act; providing certain construction; requiring certain license or credential; subjecting certain physician assistants to Physician Assistant Act; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 519.11, is amended to read as follows:

Section 519.11. A. Nothing in the Physician Assistant Act shall be construed to prevent or restrict the practice, services or activities of any persons of other licensed professions or personnel supervised by licensed professions in this state from performing work incidental to the practice of their profession or occupation, if that person does not represent himself as a physician assistant.

B. Nothing stated in the Physician Assistant Act shall prevent any hospital from requiring the physician assistant or the delegating physician to meet and maintain certain staff appointment

1 and credentialing qualifications for the privilege of practicing as,  
2 or utilizing, a physician assistant in the hospital.

3 C. Nothing in the Physician Assistant Act shall be construed to  
4 permit a physician assistant to practice medicine or prescribe drugs  
5 and medical supplies in this state except when such actions are  
6 performed under the supervision and at the direction of a physician  
7 or physicians approved by the State Board of Medical Licensure and  
8 Supervision.

9 D. Nothing herein shall be construed to require licensure under  
10 the Physician Assistant Act of a physician assistant student  
11 enrolled in a physician assistant educational program accredited by  
12 the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician  
13 Assistant.

14 E. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no one who is  
15 not a physician licensed to practice medicine in this state may  
16 perform acts restricted to such physicians pursuant to the  
17 provisions of Section 1-731 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes.  
18 This paragraph is inseverable.

19 **F. Nothing in the Physician Assistant Act shall limit the**  
20 **activities of a physician assistant in the performance of their**  
21 **duties if the physician assistant is employed by or under contract**  
22 **with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or if the**  
23 **physician assistant is employed by, under contract with, or**  
24 **commissioned by one of the uniformed services; provided, the**

1 physician assistant must be currently licensed in this state or any  
2 other state or currently credentialed as a physician assistant by  
3 the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or the applicable  
4 uniformed service. Any physician assistant who is employed by or  
5 under contract with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs  
6 or is employed by, under contract with, or commissioned by one of  
7 the uniformed services and practices outside of such employment,  
8 contract, or commission shall be subject to the Physician Assistant  
9 Act while practicing outside of such employment, contract, or  
10 commission. As used in this subsection, "uniformed services" shall  
11 have the same meaning as provided by Title 10 of the U.S. Code."

12 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

13 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
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