

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	SB458
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Impact:	No impact

Research Analysis

The Floor Substitute for Senate Bill 458 allows Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) recognized as Certified Nurse Practitioners, Certified Nurse-Midwives, or Clinical Nurse Specialists to prescribe drugs independent of physician supervision after completing a minimum of 6,240 hours of practice with supervised prescriptive authority.

The measure authorizes the Oklahoma Board of Nursing, the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, and the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners to establish a uniform set of rules governing the supervision of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs). These rules will delineate supervision requirements for APRNs who have not obtained independent prescriptive authority, including setting reasonable limits on the monetary fees that supervising physicians can charge APRNs for their supervision services.

The measure establishes caps on the number of APRNs that a single physician may supervise, with provisions allowing physicians to request waivers under certain conditions.

The measure also requires licensed practitioners to carry malpractice insurance or demonstrate financial responsibility, with exceptions for those employed by federal agencies. The State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision and the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners are also required to maintain and update a list of physicians available to supervise APRNs on their respective websites.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN FLOOR SUBSTITUTE AND ENGROSSED VERSION

The Floor Sub restores the title and increases the minimum hours of practice with prescriptive authority supervised by a physician from 2,000 to 6,240.

The Floor Sub also adds a new section of law in Section 2, removes Supervising Advanced Practice Registered Nurse from the defined terms, and adds an emergency clause.

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Fiscal Analysis

Per the Oklahoma Board of Nursing and State Board of Pharmacy, SB 458 has no fiscal considerations to the state. The measure is modifies who is allowed to prescribe drugs independent of a physician.

The Floor Amendment 4 should not change the fiscal impact of the measure.

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Other Considerations

None.

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