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Bill Analysis

SB 1613 creates the Graduate Physicians Act. The measure provides that a graduate physician who has not completed a residency may provide primary care services in medically underserved areas, rural communities, or rural health clinics. Such physicians shall be subject to the supervision requirements established in any controlling federal law, the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, and this measure. The measure directs the Board to promulgate rules that shall establish the process for licensure of graduate physicians, supervision requirements, and additional requirements for graduate physician collaborative practice arrangements. Such rules shall also set fees. A graduate physician's license shall only be valid for 2 years and shall not be renewable. Each graduate physician shall be required to identify him or herself as such. Graduate physicians are authorized to use the titles of Dr. or doctor. A duly licensed physician shall be required to supervise each graduate physician. Each graduate physician shall be required to enter into a collaborative practice arrangement with a licensed physician no later than 6 months after the graduate is duly licensed.

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