

BILL SUMMARY
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Impact:	Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

The proposed committee substitute to House Bill 3965 authorizes physician assistants (PAs) to supervise Advanced Practice Nurses and practice prescriptive authority without supervision. The measure stipulates that if a PA is required to practice medicine under supervision, then the services rendered must fall within the scope of the supervising physician's practice. The measure requires that practice agreements between a PA and a delegating physician concerning the scope of practice of the PA must include the scope of and any limitations on prescribing. The measure expands the Physician Assistant Committee from seven to nine members and requires that five members of the Committee shall be PAs appointed by the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision from a list of qualified individuals submitted by the Oklahoma Academy of Physician Assistants. The measure stipulates that in order to provide health care services, PAs must have a license approved by the State Board. Those with at least 6,240 hours of post-graduate clinical experience who have reported their hours to the State Board are exempt from practicing under physician supervision. The Board maintains a list of such PAs. The measure authorizes PAs to prescribe medical supplies and services and specifies that a PA who is mandated to practice under the supervision of a delegating physician can prescribe Schedule II through V medications, both in written and oral form, only as delegated by the supervising physician. For Schedule II drugs, prescriptions written by the PA must be included in a written protocol established by the delegating physician.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.