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HOUSE BILL 1160

By: Representatives Hammer, Gonzales

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY OF AN
ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE; TO CREATE AN
ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE SUBCOMMITTEE IN
THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY OF AN
ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE; AND
TO CREATE AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED
NURSE SUBCOMMITTEE IN THE ARKANSAS STATE
BOARD OF NURSING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-87-310(b)(2), concerning prescriptive authority for an advanced practice registered nurse, is amended to read as follows:

(2) An advanced practice registered nurse's prescriptive authority ~~shall only extend~~ shall extend only to drugs listed in ~~Schedules III—V~~ Schedules II – V.

(3) The Arkansas State Board of Nursing shall promptly adopt rules applicable to an advance practice registered nurse that are consistent with the Arkansas State Medical Board's rules governing the prescription of dangerous drugs and controlled substances.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 17, Chapter 87, Subchapter 2, is



1 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

2 17-87-208. Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Committee – Membership.

3 (a)(1) The Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Committee is created
4 within the Arkansas State Board of Nursing.

5 (2) The committee shall consist of five (5) members appointed by
6 the board from a list of individuals who are advanced practice registered
7 nurses.

8 (b)(1) Committee members shall serve three-year terms.

9 (2) A committee member shall serve until a successor is
10 appointed by the board.

11 (3) If a vacancy occurs, the board shall appoint a new member to
12 fill the vacancy.

13 (c)(1) The committee shall elect a chair with powers and duties the
14 committee shall fix.

15 (2) The chair shall serve a two-year term.

16 (3) A chair may be elected for no more than two (2) consecutive
17 terms.

18 (d)(1) A quorum of the committee shall be three (3) members.

19 (2) The committee shall hold a meeting at least quarterly and at
20 other times the committee considers advisable.

21 (e)(1) The committee members shall serve without remuneration.

22 (2) However, if funds are available, the committee members may
23 receive expense reimbursement and stipends in accordance with § 25-16-902, as
24 follows:

25 (A) The member's actual expenses while attending regular
26 and special meetings of the committee; and

27 (B) A per diem allowance when in attendance at regular or
28 special meetings of the committee.

29 (f) Members of the committee who are members of the board shall
30 receive remuneration as now provided to members of the board.

31 (g) The purpose of the committee is to review all collaborative
32 agreements between physicians and advanced practice registered nurses.

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34 /s/Hammer
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