BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

The proposed policy committee substitute for HB 2298 requires a qualified ARPN to have completed a minimum of three years of practice with supervised prescriptive authority as opposed to 6,240 hours. The polpcs removes the requirement that the Oklahoma Board of Nursing, the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, and the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners must collaborate on a uniform set of rules. The polpcs adds that the Oklahoma Board of Nursing must promulgate rules governing advertising of health care services by APRNs. Nothing in this fact will be construed to allow an APRN to perform any medical service or prescribe any medication beyond those authorized under state law. The State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision and the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners will make available a list of physicians that are available to supervise APRNs. The measure also requires the Formulary Advisory Council to develop guidelines for supervising physicians on best practices on supervising APRNs.

HB 2298 allows a qualified Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) to apply to the Oklahoma Board of Nursing for the authority to prescribe and order independent of supervision. The application for independent prescriptive authority will include the provisions specified in the measure. The measure requires a licensed practitioner to carry malpractice insurance. The measure also provides that prescriptive authority is allowed for a licensed APRN under a supervising physician in addition to the independent authority addressed in the measure. Pharmacists may only dispense prescriptions for controlled dangerous substances prescribed by a physician assistant license in this state pursuant to a practice agreement. The measure allows APRNs who have obtained independent prescriptive authority to prescribe and administer Schedule III, IV, and V controlled dangerous substances.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2298 in its current form deals with regulation and licensing at the Oklahoma Board of Nursing. The Board of Nursing is a nonappropriated licensing agency. Any additional efforts as a result of the measure are anticipated to be absorbable through the Boards existing resources. For these reasons HB 2298 in its current form is not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the State Budget or State Revenues.

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Other Considerations

None.
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