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Research Analysis

HB 1812, as introduced, provides that an allopathic or osteopathic physician must meet the criteria listed in the measure in order to serve as a supervising physician for an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN). A supervising physician is authorized to charge a reasonable fee to the APRN for supervision services, the amount of which will be disclosed in a written agreement. The fees will a fair-market-value hourly rate as defined by the respective board, A supervising physician who charges for supervision and fails to provide it may be subject to discipline by their respective board. All supervising physicians must have a written agreement with each APRN they supervise. The physician must file the written agreement with their respective licensing board. The supervising physician must notify APRNs of periods of unavailability or incapacity on the part of the supervising physicians. They should also report to the Board and APRN of any changes to the relationship within 14 days. The Board will not charge fees for the tracking of these relationships and will promulgate rules establishing expectations for APRN supervision. Failure to comply with rules may result in disciplinary action. The Executive Director of the respective Board will report annually to the Board the number of complaints received and they must create and maintain a list of physicians willing to serve as a supervising physician to an APRN.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 1812 outlines the requirements and responsibilities of physicians overseeing the prescribing practices of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN). The State Board of Osteopathic Examiners is to promulgate rules establishing the expectations for providing proper supervision to APRNs.

The Board is a non-appropriated state agency; therefore, the provisions of this measure are expected to be absorbed within the agency's existing resources. In its current form, HB 1812 is not anticipated to impact the state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.

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