

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2016 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 291 by Senator Mills

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "R.S. 37:2418(B) and" delete the remainder of the line and insert in  
 3 lieu thereof "the introductory paragraph of 2418(C) and 2420(B) and (C) and to enact R.S.  
 4 37:2420(D), relative to"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 2

6 On page 1, line 4, after "circumstances;" insert "to provide for disciplinary action;"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 1, line 7, after "R.S. 37:2418(B)" delete the remainder of the line and insert in lieu  
 9 thereof "and the introductory paragraph of 2418(C) and 2420(B) and (C) are hereby  
 10 amended and reenacted and R.S. 37:2420(D) is hereby enacted to read as follows:"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 4

12 On page 1, after line 9, delete the remainder of the page and on page 2, delete lines 1 through  
 13 6 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

14 "B.(1) Without prescription or referral, a physical therapist may  
 15 perform an initial evaluation or consultation of a screening nature to  
 16 determine the need for physical therapy and may perform physical therapy  
 17 or other services provided in Subsection C of this Section. ~~However,~~  
 18 ~~implementation of physical therapy treatment shall otherwise be based on the~~  
 19 ~~prescription or referral of a person licensed to practice medicine, surgery,~~  
 20 ~~dentistry, podiatry, or chiropractic.~~

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 22 **(2)(a) For the treatment of a specific condition, other than under**  
 23 **the circumstances provided for in Subsection C of this Section, a**  
 24 **physical therapist may implement physical therapy treatment with or**  
 25 **without a prescription or referral of a person licensed to practice**  
 26 **medicine, surgery, dentistry, podiatry, or chiropractic if the physical**  
 27 **therapist meets one of the following criteria:**

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 29 **(i) The physical therapist has a doctorate in physical therapy and**  
 30 **two years of clinical practice experience.**

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 32 **(ii) The physical therapist has a doctorate in physical therapy**  
 33 **and a post-graduate certification.**

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 35 **(iii) The physical therapist has a doctorate in physical therapy**  
 36 **and an American Board of Physical Therapy specialties board**  
 37 **certification.**

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 39 **(iv) The physical therapist has a doctorate in physical therapy**  
 40 **and residency or fellowship training.**

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 42 **(v) The physical therapist has five years of clinical practice**  
 43 **experience.**

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