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## DIGEST

Walsworth (SB 404)

Proposed law provides that a medical provider who is licensed to practice in another state or country shall be exempt from licensure requirements in this state while providing medical services for which he is licensed, to a member of a sports team, coaching staff, or family accompanying the team while in this state if the provider has a written or oral agreement with the sports team to provide care to team members, coaching staff, and families traveling with the team for a specific sporting event to take place in this state.

Provides that the exemption does not authorize the provider to provide care or consultation to any person residing in this state, other than a person described in proposed law or under the Good Samaritan Law or practice at a health care clinic or facility, including an acute care facility.

Provides that the exemption shall remain in force only while the provider is traveling with the team, but shall be no longer than 10 days in duration per sporting event. The exemption may be extended up to 20 additional days per sporting event upon prior request by the provider to the appropriate licensing authority but the exemption may not exceed 30 days total per sporting event.

Proposed law provides that a medical provider who is licensed to practice in another state or country shall be exempt from licensure requirements in this state while providing medical services for which he is licensed when the provider has been invited by a national sport governing body to provide medical services at a national sport training center or at an event or competition in this state sanctioned by the body and the provider meets all the following requirements and conditions:

- (1) The provider has been certified by the national sport governing body to the appropriate licensing authority of this state as to state or country of origin licensure and the dates within which the provider has been invited to provide services.
- (2) The provider's practice is limited to that required by the national sport governing body which services shall be within the area of the provider's competence and shall only be provided to athletes or team personnel registered to train or coach at the center or registered to compete in an event sanctioned by the body in this state.

Provides that the exemption shall remain in force while the provider is providing services at the invitation of the national sport governing body and only during the time certified by the body, but may not exceed 30 days total.

Defines the following:

- (1) "National sport governing body" to include but not be limited to the United States Olympic Committee, the National Football League, the National Basketball Association, the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, the National Federation of High School Athletic Associations, and the Amateur Athletic Union.
- (2) "Provider" or "medical provider" as an out-of-state licensed medical provider who is not licensed in this state, including a physician, surgeon, physical therapist, athletic trainer, chiropractor, massage therapist, or health care provider as defined in R.S. 40:1299.41.

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