

2020 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 702

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:961(4), relative to physician assistants; to provide definitions;
3 and to provide for related matters.

4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

5 Section 1. R.S. 37:961(4) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

6 §961. Definitions

7 As used in this Part:

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9 (4) The "practice of practical nursing" means the performance for
10 compensation of any acts, not requiring the education, training, and preparation
11 required in professional nursing, in the care, treatment, or observation of persons
12 who are ill, injured, or infirm and for the maintenance of the health of others and the
13 promotion of health care, including the administration of medications and treatments
14 or in on-job training or supervising licensed practical nurses, subordinate personnel,
15 or instructing patients consistent with the licensed practical nurse's education and
16 preparation, under the direction of a licensed physician, optometrist, or dentist acting
17 individually or in his capacity as a member of the medical staff, ~~or~~ registered nurse,
18 or physician assistant. The licensed practical nurse may perform any of the foregoing

1 duties, and with appropriate training may perform additional specified acts which are
2 authorized by the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners when directed to do
3 so by the licensed physician, optometrist, or dentist acting individually or in his capacity as
4 a member of the medical staff, ~~or~~ registered nurse, or physician assistant.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____