

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 941

BY REPRESENTATIVE ILLG

PHYSICIANS: Provides requirements and limitations relative to certain procedures performed on the spine

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 37:1274.2, relative to the practice of medicine; to establish requirements and
3 limitations with respect to certain procedures performed on the spine; and to provide
4 for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 37:1274.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §1274.2. Performing of certain procedures on the spine; requirements and
8 limitations

9 A. No physician shall perform a decompression, fusion, or instrumentation
10 procedure on the lumbar, thoracic, or cervical spine unless he has completed a
11 residency in orthopedic surgery or neurosurgery.

12 B. No physician shall bill for a decompression, fusion, or instrumentation
13 procedure on the lumbar, thoracic, or cervical spine unless he is credentialed as an
14 orthopedic surgeon or neurosurgeon at the facility at which he performs the
15 procedure.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Establishes requirements for and limitations relating to physicians performing certain procedures on the spine.

Proposed law prohibits physicians from doing any of the following:

- (1) Performing a decompression, fusion, or instrumentation procedure on the lumbar, thoracic, or cervical spine unless they have completed a residency in orthopedic surgery or neurosurgery.
- (2) Bill for a decompression, fusion, or instrumentation procedure on the lumbar, thoracic, or cervical spine unless they are credentialed as an orthopedic surgeon or neurosurgeon at the facility at which the procedure is performed.

(Adds R.S. 37:1274.2)