

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law, relative to athletic trainers, defines certain terms and phrases.

Prior law defined the term "athlete" to mean an individual designated as such by the La. State Board of Medical Examiners (board), an educational institution, a professional athletic organization, or other board-approved organization who participates in an athletic activity sponsored by such institution or organization.

New law changes the definition of "athlete" to no longer require the sponsorship of the educational institution or professional athletic organization.

Prior law defined the term "athletic trainer" to mean an individual licensed by the board as an athletic trainer who carries out the practice of prevention, emergency management, and physical rehabilitation of injuries and sports-related conditions incurred by athletes.

New law clarifies the definition of the term to specify that the injuries treated by an athletic trainer are athletic injuries.

Prior law defined the term "emergency management" to mean the care given to an injured athlete under the supervision of the team or consulting physician.

New law changes the definition of the term to specify that the care given in emergency management is immediate care.

Prior law defined the term "physical rehabilitation" to mean the care given to athletes following injury and recovery.

New law changes the definition of the term to specify that physical rehabilitation is for an athlete's athletic injury and recovery.

New law adds definition for "athletic injury".

Effective upon signature of governor (June 18, 2022).

(Amends R.S. 37:3302(intro. para.), (1), (2), (8), and (11); Adds R.S. 37:3302(13))