

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2959 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY HARRIS, BALDWIN, BELFANTI, BENNINGHOFF, CAPPELLI,  
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THOMAS, WILT, YOUNGBLOOD AND PAYNE, NOVEMBER 9, 2004

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE,  
NOVEMBER 9, 2004

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of October 5, 1978 (P.L.1109, No.261), entitled  
2 "An act requiring the licensing of practitioners of  
3 osteopathic medicine and surgery; regulating their practice;  
4 providing for certain funds and penalties for violations and  
5 repeals," further providing for physician assistant  
6 supervision.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 10(g) of the act of October 5, 1978  
10 (P.L.1109, No.261), known as the Osteopathic Medical Practice  
11 Act, is amended to read:

12 Section 10. Licenses; exemptions; nonresident practitioners;  
13 graduate students; biennial registration and  
14 continuing medical education.

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16 (g) The supervising physician shall file with the board an  
17 application to utilize a physician assistant containing a  
18 description of the manner in which the physician assistant will

1 assist the supervising physician in his practice, the method and  
2 frequency of supervision and the geographic location of the  
3 physician assistant. In no instance may a physician supervise  
4 more than [two] three physician assistants at any time. In cases  
5 where a group of physicians will supervise a physician  
6 assistant, the names of all supervisory physicians shall be  
7 included on the application.

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9 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.