

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO. Senate Bill 1161

PRINTER NO. 1813

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

General Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

April 4, 2022

PRIME SPONSOR

Senator Baker

DESCRIPTION

Senate Bill 1161 amends the Medical Practice Act (Act 112 of 1985) to provide for athletic training services.

The bill allows athletic trainers to provide certain invasive procedures as part of athletic training services. The invasive procedures must be done under the direction of a licensed physician according to the written protocol and are limited to:

- Rectal thermometry;
- Intramuscular or subcutaneous medication administration injections;
- Airway adjuncts in conformity with basic life support protocols and instruments;
- Capillary finger sticks for the purpose of testing blood glucose levels;
- Nasal plugs;
- Blister and nail care;
- Administration of naloxone;
- Removal of superficial foreign bodies; and
- Procedures as authorized by the State Board of Medicine.

The bill clarifies a physician is not required to authorize the athletic trainer to perform invasive procedures in a written protocol.

The bill defines “physically active person” as an individual who engages in an activity that may be associated with any injury, disorder or medical condition which requires a level of strength, endurance, flexibility, range of motion, speed or agility or could result from exercise, sports, recreation, wellness or employment.

The bill abrogates regulations in 49 Pa. Code Chapter 18 Subchapter E that are inconsistent with the definition change.

This act shall take effect immediately.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of Senate Bill 1161 will have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.