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SENATOR ARMSTRONG, APPROPRIATIONS, IN SENATE, RE-REPORTED AS
AMENDED, JUNE 28, 2008

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 20, 1985 (P.L.457, No.112),
2 entitled "An act relating to the right to practice medicine
3 and surgery and the right to practice medically related acts;
4 reestablishing the State Board of Medical Education and
5 Licensure as the State Board of Medicine and providing for
6 its composition, powers and duties; providing for the
7 issuance of licenses and certificates and the suspension and
8 revocation of licenses and certificates; providing penalties;
9 and making repeals," further providing for definitions and
10 for the State Board of Medicine; providing for jointly
11 promulgated regulations; and further providing for PHYSICIAN <—
12 ASSISTANTS, FOR respiratory care practitioners, FOR <—
13 PHYSICIANS ASSISTANTS LICENSE and for respiratory care
14 practitioner certificates and permits.

15 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
16 hereby enacts as follows:

17 Section 1. The definitions of "board regulated practitioner"
18 and "respiratory care practitioner" in section 2 of the act of
19 December 20, 1985 (P.L.457, No.112), known as the Medical
20 Practice Act of 1985, amended or added July 2, 1993 (P.L.424,
21 No.60) and December 10, 2001 (P.L.859, No.92), are amended to

1 read:

2 Section 2. Definitions.

3 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
4 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
5 context clearly indicates otherwise:

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7 "Board regulated practitioner." A medical doctor, midwife,
8 physician assistant, respiratory [care practitioner] therapist,
9 certified athletic trainer or drugless therapist or an applicant
10 for a license or certificate the board may issue.

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12 "Respiratory [care practitioner] therapist." An individual
13 who is [certified] licensed to practice respiratory care by the
14 State Board of Medicine.

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16 Section 2. Section 3(a) and (b) of the act, amended July 2, <—
17 ~~1993 (P.L.424, No.60) and December 10, 2001 (P.L.859, No.92)~~
18 JUNE 11, 2008 (P.L.154, NO.19), are amended to read: <—

19 Section 3. State Board of Medicine.

20 (a) Establishment.--The State Board of Medicine shall
21 consist of the commissioner or his designee, the Secretary of
22 Health or his designee, two members appointed by the Governor
23 who shall be persons representing the public at large and seven
24 members appointed by the Governor, six of whom shall be medical
25 doctors with unrestricted licenses to practice medicine and
26 surgery in this Commonwealth for five years immediately
27 preceding their appointment and one who shall be a nurse
28 midwife, physician assistant, certified registered nurse
29 practitioner, respiratory [care practitioner] therapist, ~~or~~ <—
30 certified athletic trainer OR PERFUSIONIST licensed or certified <—

1 under the laws of this Commonwealth. All professional and public
2 members of the board shall be appointed by the Governor, with
3 the advice and consent of a majority of the members elected to
4 the Senate.

5 (b) Terms of office.--The term of each professional and
6 public member of the board shall be four years or until his or
7 her successor has been appointed and qualified, but not longer
8 than six months beyond the four-year period. In the event that
9 any of said members shall die or resign or otherwise become
10 disqualified during his or her term, a successor shall be
11 appointed in the same way and with the same qualifications and
12 shall hold office for the unexpired term. No member shall be
13 eligible for appointment to serve more than two consecutive
14 terms. The Governor shall assure that nurse midwives, physician
15 assistants, certified registered nurse practitioners, ←
16 PERFUSIONISTS and respiratory [care practitioners] therapists
17 are appointed to four-year terms on a rotating basis so that, of
18 every four appointments to a four-year term, one is a nurse
19 midwife, one is a physician assistant, one is a certified
20 registered nurse practitioner and one is a respiratory [care
21 practitioner] therapist.

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23 Section 3. The act is amended by adding a section to read:
24 Section 8.1. Jointly promulgated regulations.

25 The State Board of Medicine and the State Board of
26 Osteopathic Medicine shall jointly promulgate regulations
27 implementing sections 13.1 and 36.1, relating to the licensure
28 and practice of respiratory therapists.

29 SECTION 4. SECTION 13 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING ←
30 SUBSECTIONS TO READ:

1 SECTION 13. PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS.

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3 (C.1) EXCEPT AS LIMITED BY SUBSECTION (C.2), AND IN ADDITION
4 TO EXISTING AUTHORITY, A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SHALL HAVE
5 AUTHORITY TO DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING, PROVIDED THAT THE
6 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT IS ACTING WITHIN THE SUPERVISION AND
7 DIRECTION OF THE SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN:

8 (1) ORDER DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT.

9 (2) ISSUE ORAL ORDERS TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY A HEALTH
10 CARE FACILITY'S BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS OR ADMINISTRATIVE
11 POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.

12 (3) ORDER PHYSICAL THERAPY AND DIETITIAN REFERRALS.

13 (4) ORDER RESPIRATORY AND OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY REFERRALS.

14 (5) PERFORM DISABILITY ASSESSMENTS FOR THE PROGRAM PROVIDING
15 TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF).

16 (6) ISSUE HOMEBOUND SCHOOLING CERTIFICATIONS.

17 (7) PERFORM AND SIGN THE INITIAL ASSESSMENT OF METHADONE
18 TREATMENT EVALUATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL AND STATE LAW
19 AND REGULATIONS, PROVIDED THAT ANY ORDER FOR METHADONE TREATMENT
20 SHALL BE MADE ONLY BY A PHYSICIAN.

21 (C.2) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO:

22 (1) SUPERSEDE THE AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
23 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE TO REGULATE THE TYPES OF HEALTH
24 CARE PROFESSIONALS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAL STAFF MEMBERSHIP
25 OR CLINICAL PRIVILEGES.

26 (2) RESTRICT THE AUTHORITY OF A HEALTH CARE FACILITY TO
27 DETERMINE THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE AND SUPERVISION OR OTHER
28 OVERSIGHT REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS PRACTICING
29 WITHIN THE FACILITY.

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1 Section 4 5. Section 13.1 of the act, added July 2, 1993
2 (P.L.424, No.60), is amended to read:

3 Section 13.1. Respiratory [care practitioners] therapists.

4 [(a) Certificate required.--Eighteen months after the
5 effective date of this section, it shall be unlawful for any
6 person to hold himself out to the public as a respiratory care
7 practitioner and to practice or offer to practice respiratory
8 care unless he holds a valid, current temporary permit or
9 certificate issued by the board.

10 (b) Use of title.--A respiratory care practitioner who holds
11 a valid, current temporary permit or certificate issued by the
12 board may use the title respiratory care practitioner or
13 respiratory care practitioner-certified or an appropriate
14 abbreviation of that title such as "R.C.P." or "R.C.P.-C."]

15 (a) Qualifications.--An individual shall be eligible to
16 apply for licensure as a respiratory therapist if that
17 individual satisfies all of the following:

18 (1) Submits evidence satisfactory to the board, on forms
19 approved by the board, that the applicant has met one or more
20 of the following criteria:

21 (i) Has graduated from a respiratory care program
22 approved by the Committee on Accreditation for
23 Respiratory Care and passed the Certified Respiratory
24 Therapist Examination as determined by the National Board
25 for Respiratory Care.

26 (ii) Holds a valid license, certificate or
27 registration as a respiratory therapist in another state,
28 territory or the District of Columbia which has been
29 issued based on requirements substantially similar to
30 those required by the Commonwealth, including having

1 successfully passed the entry level examination.

2 (2) Has paid a licensure fee as established by the board
3 by regulation.

4 (3) Has proved to the satisfaction of the board that the
5 individual is of good moral character, and is not unfit or
6 unable to practice as a respiratory therapist by reason of
7 physical or mental impairment.

8 (a.1) License required.--It shall be unlawful for any
9 individual to hold himself out to the public as a respiratory
10 therapist or to practice or offer to practice respiratory
11 therapy unless the individual holds a valid, current license
12 issued by the board or the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine.

13 (a.2) Use of title.--It shall be unlawful for an individual
14 to use the title of "licensed respiratory therapist" or to use
15 the letters "LRT" or "RT" or to hold oneself out as a licensed
16 respiratory therapist unless that individual is licensed to
17 practice respiratory care as provided under this act or the act
18 of October 5, 1978 (P.L.1109, No.261), known as the Osteopathic
19 Medical Practice Act.

20 (b) Licensure without examination.--For a period of two
21 years following the effective date of this act, an individual
22 shall be eligible to apply for licensure without examination if
23 the individual meets the qualifications for licensure under
24 subsection (a) and holds valid certification as a respiratory
25 care practitioner as issued by the board or the State Board of
26 Osteopathic Medicine.

27 (c) Regulations.--The board is authorized to promulgate
28 regulations to implement this section.

29 (d) Supervision and scope of practice.--A respiratory [care
30 practitioner certified] therapist licensed by the board may

1 implement direct respiratory care to an individual being treated
2 by either a licensed medical doctor or a licensed doctor of
3 osteopathic medicine upon [physician] prescription or referral <—
4 BY A PHYSICIAN, CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE PRACTITIONER OR <—
5 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT, or under medical direction and approval
6 consistent with standing orders or protocols of an institution
7 or health care facility. This care may constitute indirect
8 services such as consultation or evaluation of an individual and
9 also includes, but is not limited to, the following services:

- 10 (1) Administration of medical gases.
- 11 (2) Humidity and aerosol therapy.
- 12 (3) Administration of aerosolized medications.
- 13 (4) Intermittent positive pressure breathing.
- 14 (5) Incentive spirometry.
- 15 (6) Bronchopulmonary hygiene.
- 16 (7) Management and maintenance of natural airways.
- 17 (8) Maintenance and insertion of artificial airways.
- 18 (9) Cardiopulmonary rehabilitation.
- 19 (10) Management and maintenance of mechanical
20 ventilation.
- 21 (11) Measurement of ventilatory flows, volumes and
22 pressures.
- 23 (12) Analysis of ventilatory gases and blood gases.

24 (e) Exemptions.--This section shall not prevent or restrict
25 the practices, services or activities of:

- 26 (1) A person licensed or certified in this Commonwealth
27 to provide another health care service, including, but not
28 limited to, physicians, physical therapists, chiropractors,
29 nurses, dentists, physician assistants and podiatrists.
- 30 (2) A person rendering respiratory care services

1 pursuant to employment by a Federal agency.

2 (3) A person pursuing a course of study leading to a
3 degree or certificate in respiratory care in an accredited
4 educational program, if he is clearly designated as a student
5 and provides care under supervision implemented through that
6 program.

7 (4) A person executing or conveying medical orders
8 pursuant to lawful delegation by a physician.

9 (5) A person who, pursuant to lawful delegation by a
10 physician, delivers, installs, monitors or maintains a device
11 which enables an individual to self-administer respiratory
12 care.

13 (6) A person qualified by academic and clinical
14 education to operate extracorporeal circulation equipment in
15 a medical or surgical setting which requires support to or
16 the temporary replacement of a patient's circulatory or
17 respiratory functions.

18 (f) Referrals to State Board of Osteopathic Medicine.--
19 Information or allegations filed with the board against a
20 respiratory [care practitioner certified] therapist licensed by
21 the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine shall be referred to
22 that board for appropriate action.

23 SECTION 6. SECTION 36 OF THE ACT, AMENDED DECEMBER 9, 2002 <—
24 (P.L.1344, NO.160), IS AMENDED TO READ:

25 SECTION 36. PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT LICENSE.

26 (A) GENERAL RULE.--A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT LICENSE EMPOWERS
27 THE HOLDER TO ASSIST A MEDICAL DOCTOR IN THE PROVISION OF
28 MEDICAL CARE AND SERVICES UNDER THE SUPERVISION AND DIRECTION OF
29 THAT MEDICAL DOCTOR AS PROVIDED IN THIS ACT.

30 (B) REQUIREMENTS.--NO PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT LICENSE MAY BE

1 ISSUED TO THE APPLICANT UNLESS THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH BY
2 THIS ACT AND SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS ISSUED BY THE BOARD ARE
3 MET, INCLUDING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT TRAINING
4 AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS WHICH SHALL BE FORMULATED BY THE BOARD
5 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUCH NATIONAL CRITERIA AS ARE ESTABLISHED BY
6 NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OR SOCIETIES AS THE BOARD MAY ACCEPT.

7 (C) CRITERIA.--THE BOARD SHALL GRANT PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT
8 LICENSES TO APPLICANTS WHO HAVE FULFILLED THE FOLLOWING
9 CRITERIA:

10 (1) SATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE ON THE PROFICIENCY
11 EXAMINATION TO THE EXTENT THAT A PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION
12 EXISTS.

13 (2) SATISFACTORY COMPLETION OF A CERTIFIED PROGRAM FOR
14 THE TRAINING AND EDUCATION OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS.

15 (3) FOR CANDIDATES FOR INITIAL LICENSURE AFTER JANUARY
16 1, 2004, OBTAINMENT OF A BACCALAUREATE OR HIGHER DEGREE FROM
17 A COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY AND COMPLETION OF NOT LESS THAN 60
18 CLOCK HOURS OF DIDACTIC INSTRUCTION IN PHARMACOLOGY OR OTHER
19 RELATED COURSES AS THE BOARD MAY APPROVE BY REGULATION.

20 (D) BIENNIAL RENEWAL.--A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT LICENSE SHALL
21 BE SUBJECT TO BIENNIAL RENEWAL BY THE BOARD. AS PART OF BIENNIAL
22 RENEWAL, A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SHALL COMPLETE CONTINUING MEDICAL
23 EDUCATION AS REQUIRED BY THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON
24 CERTIFICATION OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS.

25 (E) DESCRIPTION OF MANNER OF ASSISTANCE.--THE APPLICATION
26 SHALL INCLUDE A WRITTEN REQUEST FROM THE APPLICANT'S SUPERVISING
27 MEDICAL DOCTOR WHO SHALL FILE WITH THE BOARD A DESCRIPTION OF
28 THE MANNER IN WHICH THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT WILL ASSIST THE
29 SUPERVISING MEDICAL DOCTOR, WHICH DESCRIPTION SHALL BE SUBJECT
30 TO THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD.

1 (F) PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY.--

2 (1) A LICENSED PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT IN THIS COMMONWEALTH
3 SHALL MAINTAIN A LEVEL OF PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE
4 COVERAGE IN THE MINIMUM AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000 PER OCCURRENCE
5 OR CLAIMS MADE. FAILURE TO MAINTAIN INSURANCE COVERAGE AS
6 REQUIRED SHALL SUBJECT THE LICENSEE TO DISCIPLINARY
7 PROCEEDINGS. THE BOARD SHALL ACCEPT FROM PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS
8 AS SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE OF INSURANCE COVERAGE ANY OF THE
9 FOLLOWING:

10 (I) SELF-INSURANCE;

11 (II) PERSONALLY PURCHASED LIABILITY INSURANCE; OR

12 (III) PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE

13 PROVIDED BY THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT'S EMPLOYER OR SIMILAR
14 INSURANCE COVERAGE ACCEPTABLE TO THE BOARD.

15 (2) A LICENSE APPLICANT SHALL PROVIDE PROOF THAT THE
16 APPLICANT HAS OBTAINED PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE IN
17 ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (1). IT IS SUFFICIENT IF THE
18 APPLICANT FILES WITH THE APPLICATION A COPY OF A LETTER FROM
19 THE APPLICANT'S PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE CARRIER
20 INDICATING THAT THE APPLICANT WILL BE COVERED AGAINST
21 PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY IN THE REQUIRED AMOUNTS EFFECTIVE UPON
22 THE ISSUANCE OF THE APPLICANT'S LICENSE TO PRACTICE AS A
23 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT IN THIS COMMONWEALTH. UPON ISSUANCE OF
24 THE LICENSE, THE LICENSEE HAS 30 DAYS TO SUBMIT TO THE BOARD
25 THE CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE OR A COPY OF THE POLICY
26 DECLARATION PAGE.

27 Section 5 7. Section 36.1 of the act, amended or added July <—
28 2, 1993 (P.L.424, No.60) and July 2, 2004 (P.L.484, No.55), is
29 amended to read:

30 Section 36.1. Respiratory [care practitioner certificates]

1 therapist licenses and permits.

2 (a) General rule.--A respiratory [care practitioner
3 certificate] therapist license issued by the board empowers the
4 holder to practice respiratory care under the supervision of a
5 licensed medical doctor or a licensed doctor of osteopathic
6 medicine. In a health care facility, that supervision may
7 consist of standing orders or protocols approved by the
8 institution, consistent with acceptable and prevailing medical
9 standards, which may include services rendered directly to the
10 patient in his home or other residence.

11 (b) Temporary permits.--The board shall issue temporary
12 permits for the practice of respiratory care to individuals who
13 have applied for [certification] licensure from the board and
14 who meet any of the following requirements:

15 (1) Graduation from an accredited respiratory care
16 training program recognized by the board.

17 (2) Enrollment in an accredited respiratory care
18 training program recognized by the board, if the individual
19 is expected to graduate within 30 days from the date of
20 application.

21 (3) [Designation as a "Certified Respiratory Therapist"
22 or a "Registered Respiratory Therapist" by a nationally
23 recognized credentialing agency approved by the board.

24 (4) Continuous provision of respiratory care services
25 for a minimum of 12 months immediately preceding the
26 effective date of this section.

27 (5) Holding certification, licensure or registration as
28 a respiratory care practitioner issued by another state, the
29 District of Columbia or a territory of the United States,
30 where the requirements for licensure, registration or

1 certification are substantially similar to those required by
2 the board.] Recognition as a credentialed respiratory
3 therapist as approved by the board.

4 (c) Duration and effect of temporary permits.--Temporary
5 permits shall be valid for a period of 12 months and for such
6 additional period as the board may, in each case, specially
7 determine, except that a temporary permit shall expire if the
8 holder fails the examination. An appropriate fee for a temporary
9 permit shall be established by the board by regulation. If [he]
10 the temporary permit holder is not in violation of any other
11 provision of this act, a holder of a temporary permit qualifies
12 for admission to the examination and shall apply for the next
13 regularly scheduled [certification] licensure examination
14 administered by the board. The board is authorized to promulgate
15 regulations to establish procedures for application, credentials
16 verification, examination and [certification] licensure,
17 together with appropriate fees.

18 (d) Examination.--Pursuant to section 812.1 of the act of
19 April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative
20 Code of 1929, the board shall contract for the development and
21 administration of an examination for the [certification]
22 licensure of respiratory [care practitioners. At least one
23 administration of this examination shall be given within 12
24 months of the effective date of this section, and the]
25 therapists. The examination shall [thereafter] be given at least
26 twice per year. [An individual qualifying for a temporary permit
27 under subsection (b)(5) shall be issued a certificate by the
28 board without examination. An individual qualifying for a
29 temporary permit under subsection (b)(3) shall be issued a
30 certificate by the board without examination if the individual

1 passed an examination in order to obtain designation as a
2 "Certified Respiratory Therapy Technician" or a "Registered
3 Respiratory Therapist" and that examination was comparable to
4 the examination developed and administered pursuant to this
5 subsection.]

6 (e) Biennial renewal.--A respiratory [care practitioner
7 certificate] therapist license shall be renewed biennially upon
8 application on a form prescribed by the board and upon payment
9 of a renewal fee adopted by the board by regulation.

10 (f) Continuing education.--

11 (1) The board shall adopt, promulgate and enforce rules
12 and regulations consistent with the provisions of this act
13 establishing requirements of continuing education to be met
14 by individuals holding [certification] licensure as
15 respiratory [care practitioners] therapists under this act as
16 a condition [for certificate] of biennial license renewal.
17 The regulations shall include any fees necessary for the
18 board to carry out its responsibilities under this section.

19 (2) Beginning with the [license period designated by
20 regulation, certificate] first biennial license renewal
21 period following promulgation of regulations, license holders
22 shall be required to attend and complete [20] 30 hours of
23 mandatory continuing education during each two-year
24 [certificate] license period. At least one credit hour shall
25 be in ethics, and one credit hour shall be in patient safety.

26 (3) An individual applying for the first time for
27 [certification] licensure in this Commonwealth shall be
28 exempted from the continuing education requirement for the
29 biennial renewal period [following initial certification] in
30 which licensure is obtained.

1 (4) [The board may waive all or a portion of the
2 continuing education requirement for biennial renewal for a
3 certificate holder who shows to the satisfaction of the board
4 that he or she was unable to complete the requirements due to
5 serious illness, military service or other demonstrated
6 hardship. The request shall be made in writing, with
7 appropriate documentation, and shall include a description of
8 circumstances sufficient to show why the certificate holder
9 is unable to comply with the continuing education
10 requirement. Waiver requests shall be evaluated by the board
11 on a case-by-case basis. The board shall send the certificate
12 holder written notification of its approval or denial of a
13 waiver request.] The board shall, by regulation, provide for
14 the waiver of continuing education requirements in case of
15 illness, hardship and armed services duties. A request for
16 waiver shall be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

17 (5) A [certificate holder] licensee seeking to reinstate
18 an inactive or lapsed [certificate] license shall show proof
19 of compliance with the continuing education requirement for
20 the preceding biennium.

21 (6) All courses, locations, instructors and providers
22 shall be approved by the board. No credit shall be given for
23 any course in office management or practice building.

24 [(7) The board shall initiate the promulgation of
25 regulations to carry out the provisions of this section
26 within one year of the effective date of this section.]

27 Section ~~6~~ 8. (A) The State Board of Osteopathic Medicine <—
28 and the State Board of Medicine shall jointly promulgate
29 regulations to implement the amendment or addition of sections
30 2, 3(a) and (b), 8.1, 13.1 and 36.1 of the act within 18 months

1 of the effective date of this section.

2 (B) THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SHALL PROMULGATE REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE ADDITION OF SECTION 13(C.1) AND (C.2) OF THE ACT WITHIN 18 MONTHS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.

7 SECTION 9. THE FOLLOWING ACTS ARE REPEALED INSOFAR AS THEY ARE INCONSISTENT WITH THE ADDITION OF SECTION 13(C.1) AND (C.2) OF THE ACT:

10 (1) SECTION 9(A) OF THE ACT OF OCTOBER 10, 1975 (P.L.383, NO.110), KNOWN AS THE PHYSICAL THERAPY PRACTICE ACT.

13 (2) SECTION 14 OF THE ACT OF JUNE 15, 1982 (P.L.502, NO.140), KNOWN AS THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PRACTICE ACT.

15 Section 7 10. This act shall take effect as follows:

16 (1) This section shall take effect immediately.

17 (2) Section 6 8 of this act shall take effect immediately.

19 (3) The remainder of this act shall take effect in 60 days.