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Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 845

TO INCREASE ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE AND REDUCE HEALTHCARE COSTS; TO ENCOURAGE THE
USE OF TELEMEDICINE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill No. 845

Amend Senate Bill No. 845 as engrossed, S3/10/15 (version: 03/10/2015 9:35:52 AM):

Page 2, line 25, delete "professional" and substitute "practitioner"

AND

Page 2, line 27, delete "professional" and substitute "practitioner"

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Page 3, line 5, delete "professional" and substitute "practitioner"

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Page 3, line 8, delete "professional" and substitute "practitioner"

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Page 3, line 21, delete "professional" and substitute "practitioner"

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Page 3, line 26 delete "professional" and substitute "practitioner"

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Page 3, line 31, delete "professional" and substitute "practitioner"

AND

Page 3, line 34, delete "professional" and substitute "practitioner"

AND



Page 4, line 1, delete "professionals" and substitute "practitioners"

AND

Page 4, delete line 4 and substitute the following:
"surgical abortions performed through telemedicine."

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 17-92-1003(15), concerning the definition of "proper practitioner-patient relationship", is amended to read as follows:

(15) "Proper practitioner-patient relationship" means that before the issuance of a prescription, a practitioner, physician, or other prescribing ~~health~~ healthcare professional performs a history and in-person physical examination of the patient adequate to establish a diagnosis and to identify underlying conditions or contraindications to the treatment recommended or provided unless:

(A) The prescribing practitioner is consulting at the specific request of another practitioner who:

(i) Maintains an ongoing relationship with the patient;

(ii) Has performed an in-person physical examination of the patient; and

(iii) Has agreed to supervise the patient's ongoing care and use of prescribed medications; ~~or~~

(B) The prescribing practitioner interacts with the patient through an on-call or cross-coverage situation; or

(C) The professional relationship is established as provided in § 17-80-117."

AND

Page 4, line 6, delete "SECTION 3." and substitute "SECTION 4."

AND

Page 4, line 8, delete "professional" and substitute "practitioner"

AND

Page 4, line 10, delete "professionals" and substitute "practitioners"

AND

Page 4, line 12, delete "professionals" and substitute "practitioners"

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator J. Cooper
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