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By: Representative Womack  

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A Bill  

SENATE BILL 178  

For An Act To Be Entitled  

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS ATHLETIC TRAINERS ACT;  

AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  

Subtitle  

TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS ATHLETIC TRAINERS ACT.  

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-93-402(6), concerning the definition of "direct supervision" within the Arkansas Athletic Trainers Act, is amended to read as follows:  

(6) “Direct supervision” means supervision of the athletic trainer in a clinical setting in which the supervising physical therapist or supervising physician must be readily available for consultation for the care of the athlete but not necessarily on the premises;  

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 17-93-411(b), concerning the direction and supervision of athletic trainers, is amended to read as follows:  

(b) The athletic trainer may practice athletic training in a hospital or outpatient clinic under the direct supervision of:  

(1) A physical therapist and upon the referral of a physician licensed in the State of Arkansas; or  

(2) A physician.
/s/T. Garner

Referred requested by the Arkansas Senate
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