

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, the Texas Board of Health (board) has reviewed each advisory committee within the Texas Department of Health over the past two years. The committees were abolished completely, consolidated with similar committees, or reorganized. Rules were adopted for each new committee as required by state law, which made a number of current statutes obsolete. The repealing of such statutes may avoid confusion at a later date. This bill would repeal statutory provisions related to advisory committees which existed before and now exist after the board's review.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1517 repeals certain advisory committees of the Texas Department of Health.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 773.112(a), Health and Safety Code, to delete reference to the technical advisory committee.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 241.003, Health and Safety Code, to delete the definition of "council," defined as the Hospital Licensing Advisory Council. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 3. Amends Section 241.026(a), Health and Safety Code, to make a conforming change.

SECTION 4. Amends Sections 142.016(b) and (c), Health and Safety Code, to delete Subsection (b), requiring the Board of Nurse Examiners and the Texas Department of Health to consult with an advisory committee in developing, modifying, or renewing the memorandum of understanding. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 5. Amends Sections 3 and 5, Article 4551-1, V.T.C.S. (Opticians' Registry Act), as follows:

Sec. 3. DEFINITIONS. Deletes the definition of "council," defined as the Advisory Council of the Opticians' Registry.

Sec. 5. New heading: DUTIES OF BOARD. Deletes Subsections (c)-(g), relating to the Advisory Council of the Opticians' Registry.

SECTION 6. Amends Section 1, Article 4512k, V.T.C.S., to delete the definition of "advisory council," defined as the Advisory Council on Massage Therapy. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 7. Amends Section 2A(i), Article 4512k, V.T.C.S., to make a conforming change.

SECTION 8. Amends Sections 7(a), (d), (e), and (f), Article 4512k, V.T.C.S., to delete text relating to the Advisory Council on Massage Therapy. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 9. Amends Section 2.03, Article 4512m, V.T.C.S. (Medical Radiologic Technologist Certification Act), to delete the definition of "advisory board," defined as the Medical Radiologist Technologist Advisory Board. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 10. Amends Section 1, Article 4512l, V.T.C.S., to delete the definition of "advisory board," defined as the Respiratory Care Practitioners Advisory Board. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 11. Amends Section 3(d), Article 4512l, V.T.C.S., to delete text relating to the Respiratory Care Practitioners Advisory Board.

SECTION 12. Repealers:

(1) Section 12.072, Health and Safety Code (Interagency Council); Section 12.073, Health and Safety Code (Council Membership); Section 12.074 (Council Duties); Section 31.017, Health and Safety Code (Advisory Committee); Section 36.015, Health and Safety Code (Interagency Committee on Special Senses and Communication Disorders); Section 43.015, Health and Safety Code (Advisory Committee); Section 87.006, Health and Safety Code (Scientific Advisory Committee); Section 241.081, Health and Safety Code (Composition); Section 241.082, Health and Safety Code (Terms); Section 241.083, Health and Safety Code (Compensation and Expenses); Section 241.084, Health and Safety Code (Duties); Section 241.085, Health and Safety Code (Special Meetings); Section 311.038, Health and Safety Code (Hospital Date Advisory Committee); Section 431.208, Health and Safety Code (Advisory Committee); Section 502.013, Health and Safety Code (Advisory Committee); Section 773.006, Health and Safety Code (Emergency Medical Advisory Council); Section 773.118 (Advisory Committee); and Section 773.172, Health and Safety Code (Duties of Board; Rules).

(2) Article 4477-3a(13), V.T.C.S. (Technical Advisory Committee).

(3) Article 4447bb(10), V.T.C.S. (Advisory Committee).

(4) Articles 4512k(8) and (9), V.T.C.S., (Advisory Council; Powers and Duties of Advisory Council).

(5) Section 2.04, Article 4512m, V.T.C.S., Medical Radiologic Technologist Certification Act (Creation of Medical Radiologic Technologist Advisory Board).

(6) Sections 2 and 14, Article 4512l, V.T.C.S. (Creation of Respiratory Care Practitioners Advisory Board; Terms of Initial Members, Initial Meeting).

SECTION 13. Effective date: September 1, 1997.

SECTION 14. Emergency clause.