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CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 281(L&C)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

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Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES GATTIS, Keller, Tarr

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

"An Act relating to prescription of drugs by a physician without a physical examination."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

* Section 1. AS 08.64 is amended by adding a new section to article 3 to read:

Sec. 08.64.364. Prescription of drugs without physical examination. (a) The board may not impose disciplinary sanctions on a physician for prescribing, dispensing, or administering a prescription drug to a person without conducting a physical examination if

- (1) the prescription drug is
 - (A) not a controlled substance; or
- (B) a controlled substance and is prescribed, dispensed, or administered by a physician when an appropriate licensed health care provider is present with the patient to assist the physician with examination, diagnosis, and treatment;

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(2)	the physician	is located i	in this state	and the	physician	or	another
physician in the ph	ysician's group	practice is	available to	provide	follow-up	car	e; and

- (3) the person consents to sending a copy of all records of the encounter to the person's primary care provider if the prescribing physician is not the person's primary care provider, and the physician sends the records to the person's primary care provider.
 - (b) In this section,
 - (1) "controlled substance" has the meaning given in AS 11.71.900;
 - (2) "prescription drug" has the meaning given in AS 08.80.480;
 - (3) "primary care provider" has the meaning given in AS 21.07.250.