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**AN ACT**

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

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1 Relating to prescription of drugs by a physician without a physical examination.

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

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

8 (1) the prescription drug is

9 (A) not a controlled substance; or

10 (B) a controlled substance and is prescribed, dispensed, or  
11 administered by a physician when an appropriate licensed health care provider  
12 is present with the patient to assist the physician with examination, diagnosis,  
13 and treatment;

1                   (2) the physician is located in this state and the physician or another  
2 licensed health care provider or physician in the physician's group practice is available  
3 to provide follow-up care; and

4                   (3) the person consents to sending a copy of all records of the  
5 encounter to the person's primary care provider if the prescribing physician is not the  
6 person's primary care provider, and the physician sends the records to the person's  
7 primary care provider.

8                   (b) In this section,

9                   (1) "controlled substance" has the meaning given in AS 11.71.900;

10                  (2) "prescription drug" has the meaning given in AS 08.80.480;

11                  (3) "primary care provider" has the meaning given in AS 21.07.250.