

# Legislative Analysis

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**Senate Bill 1075 as passed by the Senate**

**Sponsor: Sen. Tom George**

**Senate Committee: Health Policy**

**House Committee: Health Policy**

**Complete to 9-17-04**

## A SUMMARY OF SENATE BILL 1075 AS PASSED BY THE SENATE

Under provisions of the Public Health Code and departmental rules, physicians may delegate the performance of medical care services for their patients to a physician's assistant if the delegation is consistent with the physician's assistant's training. Departmental rules require a physician to countersign orders written by a physician's assistant in a nursing home or hospice within 48 hours (R 325.20605 and R 325.13303, respectively).

Senate Bill 1075 would amend the Public Health Code to specify that notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, a physician (M.D. or osteopathic physician) would not be required to countersign orders written in a patient's medical record by a physician's assistant to whom the physician had delegated the performance of medical care services for a patient.

MCL 333.17049 and 333.17549

## FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact.

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