

Senate Bill 203

Sponsored by Senator BATES (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires physician to practice medicine without interference or influence by persons not licensed to practice medicine.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to the practice of medicine.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2011 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 677.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) Only a person licensed as a physician by the Oregon Medical Board may**
6 **conduct or maintain a medical practice in this state.**

7 **(2) For the purpose of conducting or maintaining a medical practice under subsection (1)**
8 **of this section, a physician must have the responsibility, without interference or influence**
9 **by persons who are not licensed to practice medicine, for:**

10 **(a) The diagnosis of conditions affecting the human body.**

11 **(b) Prescribing drugs that are administered to patients in the practice of medicine.**

12 **(c) The treatment plan of any patient.**

13 **(d) The overall quality of patient care that is rendered or performed in the practice of**
14 **medicine.**

15 **(e) Supervision of personnel involved in direct patient care and the authorization for**
16 **procedures performed by them in accordance with the standards of supervision established**
17 **by statute or by the rules of the board.**

18 **(f) Other specific services within the scope of medical practice.**

19 **(3) Subsections (1) and (2) of this section do not apply to a physician with a limited li-**
20 **cence issued by the board pursuant to ORS 677.132 who renders services authorized by the**
21 **limited license.**

22 **(4) Nothing in this chapter precludes a person or entity not licensed by the board from:**

23 **(a) Ownership or leasehold of any tangible or intangible assets used in a medical office**
24 **or clinic.**

25 **(b) Employing or contracting for the services of personnel other than licensed physicians**
26 **or other health care professionals.**

27 **(c) Management of the business aspects of a medical office or clinic that do not include**
28 **the practice of medicine.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.