

Chair Nosse, Vice-Chair Goodwin, Vice-Chair Nelson, and Members of the Committee:

I strongly oppose the passage of HB 2584. This bill removes the requirement for a physician assistant collaboration agreement with their employer to include a performance assessment.

Performance assessments are essential for the growth and development of physician assistants, as well as for maintaining high standards of patient care. These assessments provide licensed physician assistants with valuable feedback on our performance and allow them to identify areas for improvement. They also help to ensure that we are providing safe and effective care to our patients.

Removing the requirement for performance assessments from collaboration agreements will result in a decrease in the quality of care that physician assistants are able to provide. It will also make it more difficult for them to identify areas for growth and improvement and limit our ability to continue to provide the highest quality care to their patients.

In addition, performance assessments are an important aspect of their professional accountability. They provide evidence of their competence and allow them to demonstrate their commitment to providing safe and effective care to their patients.

I strongly believe that the requirement for physician-assistant collaboration agreements to include performance assessments should be maintained. This will help to ensure that physician assistants are able to provide the highest quality care to their patients and continue to grow and develop as professionals.

I urge the members of the legislature to vote against HB 2584 and maintain the requirement for performance assessments in physician-assistant collaboration agreements. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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