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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PSYCHOLOGISTS.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that there is limited  
2 access to mental health care treatment services for residents  
3 across the State of Hawaii. The delivery of comprehensive,  
4 accessible, and affordable mental health care has been  
5 demonstrably enhanced by collaborative practice among licensed  
6 clinical psychologists with prescriptive authority and medical  
7 doctors in federal facilities and programs as well as states  
8 that have authorized prescriptive authority for psychologists.  
9 The legislature finds that providing limited prescriptive  
10 authority to qualified, licensed clinical psychologists, subject  
11 to supervision by a licensed medical doctor, will make  
12 comprehensive mental health care more accessible to medically  
13 underserved residents of the State. The legislature  
14 acknowledges that the Health Resources and Services  
15 Administration of the United States Department of Health and  
16 Human Services has officially designated much of the State,  
17 including isolated rural locations and urban areas with high



1 population densities, as a mental health professional shortage  
2 area. This designation highlights the critical need for  
3 expansion of available mental health services and development of  
4 a corps of mental health professionals to serve the currently  
5 unmet needs of Hawaii's population.

6 The legislature has previously authorized prescription  
7 privileges for advanced practice registered nurses,  
8 optometrists, dentists, podiatrists, and physician assistants.  
9 These practitioners have been granted prescriptive authority  
10 based on demonstration of specific training, education, and  
11 practical competency. Education and training criteria such as  
12 degree and minimum experience requirements and passage of  
13 national board examinations have worked well to assure quality  
14 of services. Limitations on authority including the use of  
15 approved formularies, limited practice areas, and prohibitions  
16 on accepting or distributing drug samples have served to deter  
17 abuses in the system and to prevent the inappropriate practice  
18 of general medicine. Prescriptive authority for non-physician  
19 practitioners with varying types of limitations and supervision  
20 requirements has proven manageable and has expanded access to  
21 important health care services for patients across the State.



1 Clinical psychologists with appropriate training have been  
2 allowed to prescribe medications to active duty military  
3 personnel and their families in federal facilities and the  
4 federal Indian health service program for years. In recent  
5 years, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Louisiana, and New Mexico have  
6 adopted legislation authorizing prescriptive authority for  
7 appropriately trained psychologists without regard to the  
8 service setting.

9 Since 2000, psychologists in this State have received  
10 psychopharmacological training through the Tripler Army Medical  
11 Center psychology training program. These psychologists have  
12 actively collaborated with primary care physicians to provide  
13 combined therapy and psychopharmacological care to a medically  
14 underserved patient population at eleven federally qualified  
15 health centers: Bay Clinic, Hana, Molokai, Kauai, Waianae,  
16 Kalihi-Palama, Waimanalo, Koolauloa, West Hawaii, Kokua Kalihi  
17 Valley, and Waikiki, as well as a native Hawaiian health care  
18 system clinic located in a federally designated medically  
19 underserved area on Molokai.

20 The American Psychological Association has developed a  
21 model curriculum for a master's degree in psychopharmacology for



1 the education and training of prescribing psychologists. This  
2 curriculum is currently available within the State at Argosy  
3 University and the University of Hawaii at Hilo's college of  
4 pharmacy. Independent evaluations of the United States  
5 Department of Defense psychopharmacological demonstration  
6 project by the United States General Accounting Office, now  
7 known as the Government Accountability Office, and the American  
8 College of Neuropsychopharmacology, as well as the experiences  
9 of Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Louisiana, and New Mexico, have  
10 demonstrated that appropriately trained clinical psychologists  
11 can prescribe psychotropic medications safely and effectively.

12 The purpose of this Act is to create a multi-phase, five-  
13 year, pilot project to allow qualified psychologists to  
14 prescribe psychotropic medications for the treatment of mental  
15 illness to patients under the psychologist's care at a federally  
16 qualified health center.

17 SECTION 2. (a) There is created a pilot program to be  
18 administered by the board of psychology to allow clinical  
19 psychologists licensed pursuant to chapter 465, Hawaii Revised  
20 Statutes, to prescribe psychotropic medications only to patients



1 treated by the psychologist at a federally qualified health  
2 center.

3 (b) A licensed clinical psychologist shall be eligible to  
4 apply to participate in the pilot program created pursuant to  
5 this Act if the psychologist:

6 (1) Meets the requirements for licensure set forth in  
7 section 465-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes;

8 (2) Completed specialized education and training in  
9 preparation for prescriptive practice approved by the  
10 American Psychological Association and the board of  
11 psychology;

12 (3) Passed the Psychopharmacological Examination for  
13 Psychologists or an equivalent national examination  
14 relevant to establishing competence for prescriptive  
15 practice approved by the board of psychology;

16 (4) Is employed by, including as a contract provider, a  
17 federally qualified health center in this State; and

18 (5) Meets any other requirements established by the board  
19 of psychology.

20 (c) The pilot program created pursuant to this Act shall  
21 be a five-year program that shall allow participating



1 psychologists to prescribe psychotropic medications under the  
2 supervision of a licensed physician as follows:

3 (1) In the first two years, participating psychologists  
4 shall practice only at Waianae Coast Comprehensive  
5 Health Center and shall receive training and be  
6 directly supervised by a physician at that location;

7 (2) After the first year of the pilot program, the  
8 supervising physician at Waianae Coast Comprehensive  
9 Health Center shall continue to train and supervise  
10 participating psychologists and may recruit additional  
11 physicians at other federally qualified health centers  
12 in the State to train and supervise participating  
13 psychologists at those locations;

14 (3) Participating psychologists shall be directly  
15 supervised by supervising physicians at a federally  
16 qualified health center for the first two years of the  
17 psychologists' participation in the pilot program; and

18 (4) After completing two years of direct supervision,  
19 participating psychologists shall maintain a  
20 collaborative and collegial relationship with a  
21 supervising physician and with the medical doctors who



1           oversee the general medical care of the participating  
2           psychologist's patients at a federally qualified  
3           health center and shall exercise prescriptive  
4           authority only for patients treated by the  
5           psychologist at the federally qualified health center.

6           (d) At the end of the fourth year of the pilot program,  
7           the board of psychology shall prepare a report, under the  
8           direction of the supervising physicians of the pilot program and  
9           with input from participating psychologists and the physicians  
10          and administrators of participating federally qualified health  
11          centers, to be submitted to the legislature no later than twenty  
12          days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2025. The  
13          report prepared by the board of psychology shall include:

- 14           (1) The number and type of patients served by  
15           participating psychologists;
- 16           (2) Treatment services outcomes of patients treated by  
17           participating psychologists;
- 18           (3) Whether and how the pilot program improved access to  
19           mental health care; and
- 20           (4) Patient satisfaction with mental health care provided  
21           by participating psychologists.



1 SECTION 3. Chapter 465, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new part to be appropriately designated and  
3 to read as follows:

4 "PART . PRESCRIPTION CERTIFICATION

5 §465- Definitions. As used in this part, unless the  
6 context otherwise requires:

7 "Board" means the board of psychology established under  
8 section 465-4.

9 "Clinical experience" means a period of supervised clinical  
10 training and practice involving clinical diagnoses and  
11 interventions that are conducted and supervised as part of a  
12 training program.

13 "Laboratory test" means any laboratory blood or urine drug  
14 screen test necessary to monitor the general health of a patient  
15 receiving psychotropic medication.

16 "Narcotics" means natural and synthetic opioid analgesics,  
17 and their derivatives, used to relieve pain.

18 "Prescription" is an order for a drug, laboratory test, or  
19 medicine, device, or treatment, as defined by state law.

20 "Prescriptive authority" means the authority to prescribe,  
21 administer, discontinue, or distribute without charge, drugs or





1 controlled substances recognized in or customarily used in the  
2 diagnosis, treatment, and management of individuals with  
3 psychiatric, mental, cognitive, nervous, emotional, or  
4 behavioral disorders, or other procedures directly related  
5 thereto within the scope of practice of psychology in accordance  
6 with rules adopted by the board.

7 "Psychiatrist" means a medical doctor licensed to practice  
8 medicine pursuant to chapter 453 who has completed and  
9 successfully passed a specialized four-year residency program in  
10 the practice of psychiatry.

11 "Psychologist certified to prescribe" means a licensed,  
12 doctoral-level clinical psychologist who has:

- 13 (1) Completed specialized education and training in  
14 preparation for prescriptive practice;
- 15 (2) Passed the Psychopharmacological Examination for  
16 Psychologists or an equivalent national examination  
17 accepted by the board relevant to establishing  
18 competence for prescribing; and
- 19 (3) Received from the board a current certificate granting  
20 prescriptive authority that has not been revoked or  
21 suspended.



1 "Psychopharmacology" means the use of psychoactive drugs in  
2 the treatment or control of mental disorders or psychiatric  
3 disease.

4 "Psychotropic medication" means only those agents related  
5 to the diagnosis and treatment of mental and emotional disorders  
6 including controlled substances but not including narcotics.

7 "Supervising physician" means a medically trained and  
8 licensed physician or psychiatrist who accepts professional  
9 responsibility for the provision of psychopharmacology by a  
10 psychologist certified to prescribe.

11 **§465- Conditional prescription certificate; application.**

12 (a) A psychologist who applies for a conditional prescription  
13 certificate shall demonstrate all of the following by official  
14 transcript or other official evidence satisfactory to the board:

15 (1) A current clinical license in good standing to  
16 practice psychology in Hawaii;

17 (2) Consistent with established policies of the American  
18 Psychological Association for educating and training  
19 psychologists in preparation for prescriptive  
20 authority:



- 1 (A) A master's degree in psychopharmacology that  
2 reflects an organized sequence of study in an  
3 organized program offering intensive didactic and  
4 practical education, and includes the following  
5 core areas of instruction: basic life sciences,  
6 neurosciences, clinical and research pharmacology  
7 and psychopharmacology, clinical medicine and  
8 pathophysiology, physical assessment and  
9 laboratory examinations, clinical  
10 pharmacotherapeutics, research, and professional,  
11 ethical and legal issues; and
- 12 (B) Relevant clinical experience sufficient to attain  
13 competency in the psychopharmacological treatment  
14 of a diverse patient population under the  
15 direction of a supervising physician that  
16 consists of not less than two years and involves  
17 at least four hundred hours treating a diverse  
18 population of no fewer than one hundred patients  
19 with mental disorders including at least two  
20 hours of weekly on-site supervision per year by a



- 1 supervising physician who is not employed by the  
2 psychologist being directed or supervised;
- 3 (3) Successful completion of the Psychopharmacological  
4 Examination for Psychologists or an equivalent  
5 national examination relevant to establishing  
6 competence for prescribing and approved by the board;
- 7 (4) A federal Drug Enforcement Administration registration  
8 number for limited use as restricted by state law;
- 9 (5) Malpractice insurance sufficient to satisfy the rules  
10 adopted by the board, that covers the applicant during  
11 the period the conditional prescription certificate is  
12 in effect;
- 13 (6) Completion of all other requirements, as determined by  
14 rules adopted by the board pursuant to chapter 91, for  
15 obtaining a conditional prescription certificate; and
- 16 (7) Employment, including by contract, and an intent to  
17 practice the prescriptive authority at a federally  
18 qualified health center as defined in title 42 United  
19 States Code section 1396d.



1           (b) The board shall issue a conditional prescription  
2 certificate if it finds that the applicant has met all of the  
3 requirements of subsection (a).

4           (c) The conditional prescription certificate shall be  
5 immediately relinquished by the psychologist if the psychologist  
6 no longer meets the requirements of subsection (a).

7           **§465- Conditional prescription certificate; powers,**  
8 **duties, and responsibilities.** (a) A psychologist holding a  
9 conditional prescription certificate shall:

- 10           (1) Hold a current license to practice psychology in  
11           Hawaii and maintain malpractice insurance;
- 12           (2) Complete the first year of practice under a  
13           conditional prescription certificate under the  
14           direction of a supervising physician who is not  
15           employed by the psychologist being directed or  
16           supervised; provided that supervision pursuant to this  
17           paragraph shall include training in diagnostic  
18           laboratory tests, diagnostic imaging, and  
19           electroencephalogram tests;
- 20           (3) Inform the board of the name of the supervising  
21           physician under whose supervision the psychologist



1 will prescribe psychotropic medication; provided that  
2 the psychologist shall promptly inform the board of  
3 any change of the supervising physician; and

4 (4) Maintain an ongoing collaborative relationship  
5 pursuant to subsection (c) with the doctors of  
6 medicine who oversee the general medical care of the  
7 psychologist's patients.

8 (b) A psychologist holding a conditional prescription  
9 certificate shall be authorized to prescribe, administer,  
10 discontinue, or distribute without charge, drugs or controlled  
11 substances recognized in or customarily used in the diagnosis,  
12 treatment, and management of individuals with psychiatric,  
13 mental, cognitive, nervous, emotional, or behavioral disorders  
14 and relevant to the practice of psychology, or other procedures  
15 directly related thereto within the scope of practice of  
16 psychology in accordance with rules adopted by the board. The  
17 authorization to prescribe shall be limited to prescriptions for  
18 patients under the care of the psychologist at federally  
19 qualified health centers as defined in title 42 United States  
20 Code section 1396d and identified to the board as the  
21 psychologist's practice location.



1           (c) When prescribing psychotropic medication for a  
2 patient, a psychologist holding a conditional prescription  
3 certificate shall maintain an ongoing collaborative relationship  
4 with the doctors of medicine who oversee the general medical  
5 care of the psychologist's patients to ensure that:

- 6           (1) Necessary medical examinations are conducted;
- 7           (2) The psychotropic medication is appropriate for the  
8           patient's medical condition; and
- 9           (3) Significant changes in the patient's medical or  
10           psychological condition are discussed.

11           (d) A prescription for psychotropic medication written by  
12 a psychologist holding a conditional prescription certificate  
13 shall:

- 14           (1) Comply with applicable state and federal laws;
- 15           (2) Be identified as issued by a "psychologist certified  
16           to prescribe"; and
- 17           (3) Include the psychologist's board number or the  
18           identification number assigned by the department of  
19           commerce and consumer affairs.

20           (e) A psychologist holding a conditional prescription  
21 certificate shall not delegate prescriptive authority to any



1 person. Records of all prescriptions shall be maintained in the  
2 prescribing psychologist's patient records.

3       **§465- Prescription certificate.** (a) A psychologist who  
4 applies for a prescription certificate shall demonstrate all of  
5 the following by official transcript or other official evidence  
6 satisfactory to the board:

7       (1) A conditional prescription certificate, which includes  
8           successful completion of two years of prescribing  
9           psychotropic medication as certified by a supervising  
10          physician;

11       (2) A current license in good standing to practice  
12          psychology in Hawaii;

13       (3) Malpractice insurance sufficient to satisfy the rules  
14          adopted by the board, that will cover the applicant as  
15          a prescribing psychologist; and

16       (4) Completion of all other requirements, as determined by  
17          rules adopted by the board pursuant to chapter 91, for  
18          obtaining a prescription certificate.

19       (b) The board shall issue a prescription certificate if it  
20 finds that the applicant has met all of the requirements of  
21 subsection (a).





1           (c) A psychologist with a prescription certificate may  
2 prescribe psychotropic medication to any patient under the  
3 psychologist's care for whom psychotropic medication is  
4 clinically indicated if the psychologist:

5           (1) Holds a current license to practice psychology in  
6 Hawaii and maintains malpractice insurance;  
7           (2) Annually satisfies the continuing education  
8 requirements for prescribing psychologists recommended  
9 by the American Psychological Association, which shall  
10 be no fewer than twenty hours each year, at least half  
11 of which shall be in pharmacology or  
12 psychopharmacology; and

13           (3) Maintains an ongoing collaborative relationship  
14 directly or by telecommunication with the doctors of  
15 medicine who oversee the general medical care of the  
16 psychologist's patients to ensure that:

17           (A) Necessary medical examinations are conducted;  
18           (B) Psychotropic medication prescribed is appropriate  
19 for the patient's medical condition;  
20           (C) Significant changes in the patient's medical or  
21 psychological condition are discussed; and



1           (D) The psychologist only prescribes psychotropic  
2           medications to patients under the care of the  
3           psychologist at a federally qualified health  
4           center that is identified to the board as the  
5           psychologist's practice location.

6           (d) The prescription certificate shall be immediately  
7           relinquished by the psychologist if the psychologist no longer  
8           meets the requirements of subsection (c).

9           **§465- Administration.** (a) The board may adopt rules  
10          pursuant to chapter 91 to further implement the procedures set  
11          forth in this part to obtain a conditional prescription  
12          certificate or a prescription certificate and to renew a  
13          conditional prescription certificate or prescription  
14          certificate. The board may set reasonable application and  
15          renewal fees.

16          (b) The board shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91  
17          establishing the grounds for denial, suspension, or revocation  
18          of conditional prescription certificates and prescription  
19          certificates, including provisions for suspension or revocation  
20          of a license to practice psychology upon suspension or  
21          revocation of a conditional prescription certificate or



1 prescription certificate. Actions of denial, suspension, or  
2 revocation of a conditional prescription certificate or a  
3 prescription certificate shall be in accordance with this  
4 chapter.

5 (c) The board shall maintain current records on every  
6 prescribing psychologist, including federal Drug Enforcement  
7 Administration registration numbers.

8 (d) The board shall provide to the board of pharmacy an  
9 annual list of psychologists holding a conditional prescription  
10 certificate or prescription certificate that contains the  
11 information agreed upon between the board and the board of  
12 pharmacy. The board shall promptly provide the board of  
13 pharmacy with the names of any psychologists who are added to or  
14 deleted from the list.

15 **§465- Narcotics and controlled substance samples**  
16 **prohibited.** Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter  
17 to the contrary, a psychologist holding a conditional  
18 prescription certificate or prescription certificate shall not  
19 administer or prescribe any narcotic and shall not request,  
20 receive, or sign for professional controlled substance samples."



1 SECTION 4. Section 329-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended as follows:

3 1. By adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted  
4 and to read:

5 "Psychologist certified to prescribe" means a person  
6 licensed under part of chapter 465, who is registered under  
7 this chapter to administer or prescribe psychotropic medication  
8 to patients under the person's care at a federally qualified  
9 health center, but who is not authorized to request, receive, or  
10 sign for professional controlled substance samples."

11 2. By amending the definition of "practitioner" to read:

12 "Practitioner" means:

13 (1) A physician, dentist, veterinarian, scientific  
14 investigator, or other person licensed and registered  
15 under section 329-32 to distribute, dispense, or  
16 conduct research with respect to a controlled  
17 substance in the course of professional practice or  
18 research in this State;

19 (2) An advanced practice registered nurse with  
20 prescriptive authority licensed and registered under  
21 section 329-32 to prescribe and administer controlled



1 substances in the course of professional practice in  
2 this State; [and]

3 (3) A psychologist certified to prescribe who is licensed  
4 and registered under section 329-32 to prescribe and  
5 dispense controlled substances in accordance with the  
6 requirements and limitations of part of chapter  
7 465; and

8 [~~3~~] (4) A pharmacy, hospital, or other institution  
9 licensed, registered, or otherwise permitted to  
10 distribute, dispense, conduct research with respect to  
11 or to administer a controlled substance in the course  
12 of professional practice or research in this State."

13 SECTION 5. Chapter 465, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
14 amended by designating sections 465-1 to 465-15 as part I,  
15 entitled "General Provisions".

16 SECTION 6. Section 465-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
17 amended to read as follows:

18 "§465-3 Exemptions. (a) This chapter shall not apply to:

19 (1) Any person teaching, lecturing, consulting, or  
20 engaging in research in psychology insofar as the  
21 activities are performed as part of or are dependent



1           upon employment in a college or university; provided  
2           that the person shall not engage in the practice of  
3           psychology outside the responsibilities of the  
4           person's employment;

5           (2) Any person who performs any, or any combination of the  
6           professional services defined as the practice of  
7           psychology under the direction of a licensed  
8           psychologist in accordance with rules adopted by the  
9           board; provided that the person may use the term  
10          "psychological assistant", but shall not identify the  
11          person's self as a psychologist or imply that the  
12          person is licensed to practice psychology;

13          (3) Any person employed by a local, state, or federal  
14          government agency in a school psychologist or  
15          psychological examiner position, or a position that  
16          does not involve diagnostic or treatment services, but  
17          only at those times when that person is carrying out  
18          the functions of such government employment;

19          (4) Any person who is a student of psychology, a  
20          psychological intern, or a resident in psychology  
21          preparing for the profession of psychology under



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1 supervision in a training institution or facility and  
2 who is designated by a title as "psychology trainee",  
3 "psychology student", "psychology intern", or  
4 "psychology resident", that indicates the person's  
5 training status; provided that the person shall not  
6 identify the person's self as a psychologist or imply  
7 that the person is licensed to practice psychology;

8 (5) Any person who is a member of another profession  
9 licensed under the laws of this jurisdiction to render  
10 or advertise services, including psychotherapy, within  
11 the scope of practice as defined in the statutes or  
12 rules regulating the person's professional practice;  
13 provided that, notwithstanding section 465-1, the  
14 person does not represent the person's self to be a  
15 psychologist or does not represent that the person is  
16 licensed to practice psychology;

17 (6) Any person who is a member of a mental health  
18 profession not requiring licensure; provided that the  
19 person functions only within the person's professional  
20 capacities; and provided further that the person does



- 1 not represent the person to be a psychologist, or the  
2 person's services as psychological;
- 3 (7) Any person who is a duly recognized member of the  
4 clergy; provided that the person functions only within  
5 the person's capacities as a member of the clergy; and  
6 provided further that the person does not represent  
7 the person to be a psychologist, or the person's  
8 services as psychological;
- 9 (8) Any psychologist employed by the United States  
10 Department of Defense, while engaged in the discharge  
11 of the psychologist's official duty and providing  
12 direct telehealth support or services, as defined in  
13 section 431:10A-116.3, to neighbor island  
14 beneficiaries within a Hawaii National Guard armory on  
15 the island of Kauai, Hawaii, Molokai, or Maui;  
16 provided that the psychologist employed by the United  
17 States Department of Defense is credentialed by  
18 Tripler Army Medical Center; or
- 19 (9) Any supervisee of a licensed psychologist as defined  
20 in section 465D-7.





1           (b) Nothing in this chapter shall in any way restrict any  
2 person from carrying on any of the psychological activities as  
3 defined in section 465-1; provided that such person does not  
4 offer psychological services as defined in this chapter except  
5 as such activities are incidental to the person's lawful  
6 occupational purpose.

7           (c) A person may use the title of  
8 industrial/organizational psychologist, provided that the person  
9 registers with the board, and:

- 10           (1) Is professionally competent in the practice of  
11           industrial/organizational psychology; [~~and~~]
- 12           (2) Holds a doctoral degree from an accredited institution  
13           of higher education with training and education in  
14           industrial/organizational psychology, satisfactory to  
15           the board; and
- 16           (3) Provides psychological service or consultation to  
17           organizations which does not involve the delivery or  
18           supervision of direct psychological services to  
19           individuals or groups of individuals, without regard  
20           to the source or extent of payment for services  
21           rendered.



1 (d) Nothing in this chapter shall prevent the provision of  
2 expert testimony by a psychologist who is otherwise exempted by  
3 this chapter.

4 ~~[(e) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as~~  
5 ~~permitting the administration or prescription of drugs, or in~~  
6 ~~any way engaging in the practice of medicine as defined in the~~  
7 ~~laws of the State.] "~~

8 SECTION 7. Notwithstanding the requirements of chapter 91,  
9 Hawaii Revised Statutes, or any other law or rule of this State,  
10 the board of psychology shall act expeditiously to adopt rules  
11 and to take all other actions necessary to ensure that the pilot  
12 program established by this Act shall commence no later than  
13 July 1, 2020.

14 SECTION 8. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
15 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

16 SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect upon its approval  
17 and shall be repealed on June 30, 2025; provided that the  
18 definition of "practitioner" in section 329-1 Hawaii Revised  
19 Statutes, and section 465-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall be

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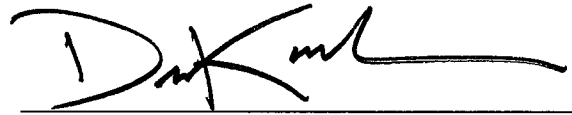


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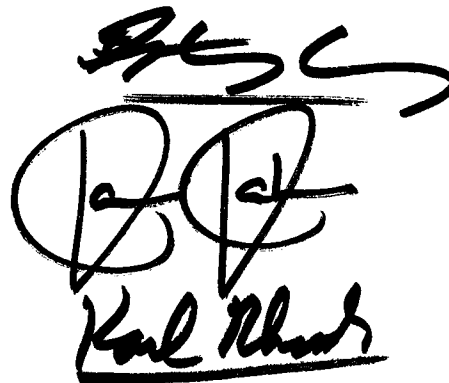
1 reenacted in the form in which they read on the day prior to the  
2 effective date of this Act.

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**Report Title:**

Prescriptive Authority; Psychologists; Pilot Program

**Description:**

Establishes a five-year pilot program to allow qualified psychologists limited authority to prescribe psychotropic medications to patients under the care of the psychologist at a federally qualified health center. Repeals June 30, 2025.

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