
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRAVELING TEAM PHYSICIANS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 453, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§453- Traveling team physicians. (a) A physician
5 licensed and in good standing to practice as a physician in
6 another state shall be exempt from the licensure requirements of
7 this chapter if:

8 (1) The physician has a written or oral agreement with a
9 sports team to provide care to team members and
10 coaching staff traveling with the team for a specific
11 sporting event to take place in the State; or

12 (2) The physician has been invited by a national sport
13 governing body to provide services to team members and
14 coaching staff at a national sport training center in
15 the State or to provide services at an event or
16 competition in the State that is sanctioned by the
17 national sport governing body; provided that:



1 (A) The physician's practice is limited to that
2 required by the national sport governing body;
3 and

4 (B) The services provided by the physician are within
5 the physician's scope of practice.

6 (b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to permit a
7 physician exempted by this section to:

8 (1) Provide care or consultation to any person residing in
9 the State, other than a person specified in subsection
10 (a); or

11 (2) Practice at a licensed health care facility in the
12 State.

13 (c) An exemption obtained pursuant to subsection (a)(1)
14 shall be valid while the physician is traveling with the sports
15 team, but no longer than ten days per individual sporting event.

16 (d) Upon application to the department of health and for
17 good cause shown, the director of health may increase the time
18 period in subsection (c) by a maximum of twenty days per
19 sporting event; provided that no physician shall be exempted for
20 more than thirty additional days in a calendar year.



1 (e) An exemption pursuant to subsection (a)(2) shall be
2 valid during the time certified by the national sport governing
3 body; provided that no exemption shall be valid for more than
4 thirty days.

5 (f) The Hawaii medical board may enter into agreements
6 with medical and osteopathic licensing boards of other states to
7 implement this section. Agreements may include procedures for
8 reporting potential medical license violations.

9 (g) The Hawaii medical board shall adopt rules pursuant to
10 chapter 91 for purposes of this section."

11 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Traveling Team Physicians; Sports

Description:

Adopts model legislation to allow traveling team physicians to temporarily practice medicine in the State for the traveling team members and coaches.

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