SENATE BILL NO. 746

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR ARTHUR.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

AN ACT

To amend chapter 191, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to patient examinations.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 191, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto

- 2 one new section, to be known as section 191.240, to read as
- 3 follows:
 - 191.240. 1. A health care provider, as such term is
- defined in section 191.900, or any student under the
- 3 supervision of a health care provider, shall not knowingly
- 4 perform a patient examination upon an anesthetized or
- 5 unconscious patient in a health care facility unless:
- 6 (1) The patient or a person authorized to make health
- 7 care decisions for the patient has given specific informed
- 8 consent to the patient examination;
- 9 (2) The patient examination is necessary for
- 10 diagnostic or treatment purposes; or
- 11 (3) A court orders the performance of the patient
- 12 examination for the collection of evidence.
- 13 2. A health care provider who violates the provisions
- 14 of this section, or who supervises a student who violates
- 15 the provisions of this section, shall be subject to
- 16 discipline by any licensing board that licenses the health
- 17 care provider.
- 18 3. As used in this section, "patient examination"
- 19 shall mean a prostate, anal, or pelvic examination.