

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 2275 - HB 2907**

February 7, 2024

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Prohibits a physician from prescribing, dispensing, or administering medication for, or otherwise treating, the physician's own self, except in short-term, acute, emergency situations.

Prohibits a physician from prescribing, dispensing, or administering medication for, or otherwise treating, immediate family unless such treatment is for minor, self-limited illnesses or acute, emergency situations.

Prohibits a supervisee from prescribing, dispensing, or administering medication for, or otherwise treating, a supervising or collaborating physician or the supervising or collaborating physician's immediate family, unless there is an established provider-patient relationship between the supervisee and the physician, including a chart.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- According to the American Medical Association's *Principles of Medical Ethics*, physicians should not treat themselves or members of their own families except in emergency settings, isolated settings where there is no other qualified physician available, or for short-term, minor problems.
- Prohibiting physicians from treating themselves, their immediate family, and their supervisors or collaborators, except in limited circumstances, will not impact the policies or procedures of the Department of Health or the Board of Medical Examiners.
- Any fiscal impact to state or local government is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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