



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 559

PRINTER'S NO. 1292

PRIME SPONSOR: Baker

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2024/25	FY 2025/26
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 559 amends the act of December 20, 1985 (P.L. 457, No. 112), known as the Medical Practice Act, to update the services athletic trainers may provide and expand the types of individuals they may treat.

ANALYSIS:

This bill updates two definitions relating to athletic trainers. First, the definition of “athletic training services” is updated to clarify that athletic training services shall not include:

- Surgery;
- Prescription of any controlled substances;
- Invasive procedures, except an athletic trainer licensed to practice may, with the direction of a licensed physician, perform the following invasive procedures pursuant to a written protocol:
 - Rectal thermometry;
 - Intramuscular or subcutaneous medication administration injections;
 - Airway adjuncts in conformity with basic life support protocols and instruments;
 - Capillary finger sticks for the purpose of testing blood glucose levels;
 - Nasal plugs;
 - Blister and nail care;
 - Administration of naloxone;
 - Removal of superficial foreign bodies; and
 - Any other procedures authorized by the board.

Second, it updates the definition of “physically active person” to be an individual who participates in any of the following:

- An individual or team sport;
- An athletic competition;
- A performing art;
- A recreational activity; or
- A military exercise.

This act shall take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This legislation will have no impact on Commonwealth funds.

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Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.