

HB 1188 -- Registered Surgical Technologists

Sponsor: Wildberger

This bill establishes the Registered Surgical Technologist Title Protection Act. The bill:

(1) Requires persons wishing to practice as registered surgical technologists to be registered with the State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts;

(2) Requires applicants to be certified by the Liaison Council on Certification for the Surgical Technologist or complete an accredited surgical technologist program approved by the board;

(3) Requires all registered surgical technologists to practice under the direct supervision of a licensed physician, dentist, or podiatrist;

(4) Makes it unlawful for any person to hold themselves out as a registered surgical technologist without first being duly registered with the board;

(5) Exempts certain licensed health care professionals from registration;

(6) Authorizes the board to promulgate rules; set fees; refuse to issue, suspend, or revoke registrations for violations specified in the bill; and

(7) Creates within the state treasury the Registered Surgical Technologist Fund.

The bill becomes effective July 1, 2007.