

SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 501

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled
"Public health code,"
by amending sections 16335, 17801, and 17821 (MCL 333.16335,
333.17801, and 333.17821), as amended by 2009 PA 55, and by adding
sections 17820a and 17820b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 16335. **(1)** Fees for ~~a person~~ **an individual** licensed or
2 seeking licensure to engage in the practice of physical therapy or
3 practice as a physical therapist assistant under part 178 are as
4 follows:

5	(a) Application processing fee	\$ 20.00
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6 (b) Examination fees:

1	Jurisprudence examination only	25.00
2	(c) License fee, per year	90.00
3	(d) Limited license, per year	25.00

4 **(2) The fee for an individual seeking to hold a compact**
5 **privilege under the physical therapy licensure compact enacted in**
6 **section 16187a is \$90.00 per year.**

7 Sec. 17801. (1) As used in this part:

8 (a) "Physical therapist" means an individual **who is** licensed
9 under this article **or authorized under section 17820a** to engage in
10 the practice of physical therapy.

11 (b) "Physical therapist assistant" means an individual with a
12 health profession subfield license under this part, **or who is**
13 **authorized under section 17820b to engage in practice as a physical**
14 **therapist assistant**, who assists a physical therapist in physical
15 therapy intervention.

16 (c) "Physical therapy licensure compact" means the physical
17 therapy licensure compact enacted in section 16187a.

18 (d) ~~(e)~~—"Practice as physical therapist assistant" means the
19 practice of physical therapy performed under the supervision of a
20 physical therapist licensed under this part.

21 (e) ~~(d)~~—"Practice of physical therapy" means the evaluation
22 of, education of, consultation with, or treatment of an individual
23 by the employment of effective properties of physical measures and
24 the use of therapeutic exercises and rehabilitative procedures,
25 with or without assistive devices, for the purpose of preventing,
26 correcting, or alleviating a physical or mental disability.
27 Physical therapy includes treatment planning, performance of tests
28 and measurements, interpretation of referrals, initiation of
29 referrals, instruction, consultative services, and supervision of

1 personnel. Physical measures include massage, mobilization, heat,
2 cold, air, light, water, electricity, and sound. Practice of
3 physical therapy does not include the identification of underlying
4 medical problems or etiologies, establishment of medical diagnoses,
5 or the prescribing of treatment.

6 (2) In addition to the definitions in this part, article 1
7 contains general definitions and principles of construction
8 applicable to all articles in this code and part 161 contains
9 definitions applicable to this part.

10 **Sec. 17820a. (1) An individual who holds a compact privilege**
11 **to practice as a physical therapist under the physical therapy**
12 **licensure compact is authorized to engage in the practice of**
13 **physical therapy under this article.**

14 (2) For purposes of this article, including the obligations of
15 an individual who is licensed as a physical therapist, an
16 individual who holds a compact privilege to practice as a physical
17 therapist under the physical therapy licensure compact is
18 considered a physical therapist who is licensed under this part.

19 **Sec. 17820b. (1) An individual who holds a compact privilege**
20 **to work as a physical therapist assistant under the physical**
21 **therapy licensure compact is authorized to engage in practice as a**
22 **physical therapist assistant under this article under the**
23 **supervision of a physical therapist.**

24 (2) For purposes of this article, including the obligations of
25 an individual who is licensed as a physical therapist assistant, an
26 individual who holds a compact privilege to work as a physical
27 therapist assistant under the physical therapy licensure compact is
28 considered a physical therapist assistant who is licensed under
29 this part.

1 Sec. 17821. (1) The Michigan board of physical therapy is
2 created in the department and shall consist of the following 11
3 voting members who ~~shall~~**must** meet the requirements of part 161: 6
4 physical therapists, 1 physical therapist assistant, and 4 public
5 members.

6 (2) The terms of office of the individual members of the board
7 created under this section, except those appointed to fill
8 vacancies, expire 4 years after appointment on December 31 of the
9 year in which the term expires.

10 **(3) The board shall select the director to act as this state's**
11 **delegate for purposes of the physical therapy licensure compact.**

12 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 18 months
13 after the date it is enacted into law.

14 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
15 unless House Bill No. 4101 of the 103rd Legislature is enacted into
16 law.