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**A BILL**

To amend section 4755.60 and to enact section 1  
4755.621 of the Revised Code regarding the 2  
practice of athletic training. 3

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That section 4755.60 be amended and section 4  
4755.621 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 5

**Sec. 4755.60.** As used in sections 4755.60 to 4755.65 and 6  
4755.99 of the Revised Code: 7

(A) "Athletic training" means the practice of all of the 8  
following: 9

(1) The prevention, recognition, and assessment of an 10  
athletic injury and the examination, and athletic training 11  
diagnosis of injuries resulting from physical or daily living 12  
activities; 13

(2) The complete management, treatment, disposition, and 14  
reconditioning of acute athletic injuries upon the referral of 15  
an individual authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code 16  
to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and 17

~~surgery, or podiatry, a dentist licensed under Chapter 4715. of the Revised Code, a physical therapist licensed under this chapter, or a chiropractor licensed under Chapter 4734. of the Revised Code. Athletic training includes the resulting from physical or daily living activities;~~ 18  
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(3) The provision of emergent care, therapeutic interventions, and rehabilitation for injuries resulting from physical or daily living activities; 23  
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(4) The promotion of and education about wellness; 26

(5) The administration of ~~topical~~ drugs that have been prescribed by a licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs, as defined in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code. Athletic training also includes the, and are administered under the direction of the prescriber; 27  
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(5) The organization and administration of educational programs and athletic training facilities, ~~and the;~~ 32  
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(6) The performance of athletic training research; 34

(7) The education of and consulting with the public as it pertains to athletic training. 35  
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(B) "Athletic trainer" means a person who meets the qualifications of this chapter for licensure and who ~~is employed by an educational institution, professional or amateur organization, athletic facility, or health care facility to practice engages in the practice of athletic training consistent with the person's education and training.~~ 37  
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(C) ~~"The national athletic trainers association, inc."~~ means the national professional organization of athletic trainers that provides direction and leadership for quality 43  
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~~athletic training practice, education, and research~~Athletic 46  
training diagnosis" means the judgment made after examining, 47  
evaluating, assessing, or interpreting symptoms presented by a 48  
patient to establish the cause and nature of the patient's 49  
injury, condition, or functional impairment and the plan of care 50  
for that injury, condition, or impairment within the scope of 51  
athletic training. "Athletic training diagnosis" does not 52  
include a medical diagnosis. 53

~~(D) "Athletic injury" means any injury sustained by an~~ 54  
~~individual that affects the individual's participation or~~ 55  
~~performance in sports, games, recreation, exercise, or other~~ 56  
~~activity that requires physical strength, agility, flexibility,~~ 57  
~~speed, stamina, or range of motion~~Collaboration agreement" is an 58  
agreement that satisfies the requirements of section 4755.621 of 59  
the Revised Code. 60

**Sec. 4755.621.** (A) As used in this section, "physician" 61  
means an individual authorized under Chapter 4731. of the 62  
Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic 63  
medicine and surgery, or podiatric medicine and surgery. 64

(B) A person licensed as an athletic trainer pursuant to 65  
this chapter shall engage in the practice of athletic training 66  
only if the person acts as follows: 67

(1) Upon the referral of one or more of the following: 68

(a) A physician; 69

(b) A dentist licensed under Chapter 4715. of the Revised 70  
Code; 71

(c) A physical therapist licensed under this chapter; 72

(d) A chiropractor licensed under Chapter 4734. of the 73

<u>Revised Code;</u>	74
<u>(e) An athletic trainer licensed under this chapter;</u>	75
<u>(f) A physician assistant licensed under Chapter 4730. of</u> <u>the Revised Code;</u>	76 77
<u>(g) A certified nurse practitioner licensed under Chapter</u> <u>4723. of the Revised Code.</u>	78 79
<u>(2) Pursuant to a collaboration agreement that satisfies</u> <u>the requirements of division (C) of this section.</u>	80 81
<u>(C) A person licensed as an athletic trainer pursuant to</u> <u>this chapter shall enter into a collaboration agreement with one</u> <u>or more physicians. The agreement shall be in writing and signed</u> <u>by the athletic trainer and each physician with whom the</u> <u>athletic trainer collaborates. A copy of the agreement shall be</u> <u>maintained in the records of the athletic trainer and each</u> <u>collaborating physician. The agreement shall address all of the</u> <u>following:</u>	82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89
<u>(1) The duties and responsibilities to be fulfilled by the</u> <u>athletic trainer when engaging in the practice of athletic</u> <u>training;</u>	90 91 92
<u>(2) Any limitations on the athletic trainer's practice of</u> <u>athletic training;</u>	93 94
<u>(3) A plan of care for patients treated by the athletic</u> <u>trainer.</u>	95 96
<b>Section 2.</b> That existing section 4755.60 of the Revised Code is hereby repealed.	97 98