

SENATE BILL NO. 2141

Introduced by

Industry, Business and Labor Committee

(At the request of the State Board of Medical Examiners)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 43-17-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to prescriptive authority of physician assistants.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 43-17-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **43-17-02.1. Physician assistant - Limitations on prescribing drugs.** ~~A physician~~
7 ~~assistant may not prescribe medications except as an agent of the supervising physician. A~~
8 ~~physician assistant may prescribe medications, in the name of the supervising physician if the~~
9 ~~authority has been assigned by the~~ as delegated to do so by a supervising physician. This may
10 include schedule III through V controlled substances; however, a physician assistant may not
11 prescribe schedule II controlled substances. ~~The prescription container label must bear the~~
12 ~~name of the supervising physician and may also bear the name of the physician assistant.~~
13 ~~Appropriate medical records must be maintained. The state board of medical examiners shall~~
14 ~~notify the board of pharmacy in writing annually, or more frequently if required by changes, of~~
15 ~~each physician assistant who is authorized as an agent of a supervising physician to prescribe~~
16 ~~medications.~~ A physician assistant who is a delegated prescriber of controlled substances
17 must register with the federal drug enforcement administration.