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Reps. Ginter, Brenner, Hambley

BILL SUMMARY

Permits medical professionals listed on the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners and chiropractors to perform the annual physical examination required under rules adopted by the State Highway Patrol for school bus drivers.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Medical examinations for school bus drivers

Individuals employed as drivers of school buses or motor vans are currently required to have an annual physical examination. If the individual is employed to drive a bus or van that is owned or operated by any school district or educational service center or privately owned and operated under contract with any district or service center, the examination must comply with rules adopted by the State Board of Education.¹ Otherwise, the examination must comply with rules adopted by the State Highway Patrol.² Currently, the State Board³ and the State Highway Patrol⁴ require these examinations to be performed by persons licensed to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine in Ohio or another state, physician assistants, certified nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, and certified nurse-midwives.

² R.C. 3327.10(B).

¹ R.C. 3327.10(A).

³ Ohio Administrative Code 3301-83-07(B).

⁴ R.C. 3327.10(B).

The bill does not make any changes regarding the annual physical examinations that must comply with rules adopted by the State Board of Education. It does, however, permit additional individuals to perform the examination that must comply with rules adopted by the State Highway Patrol. These individuals are (1) persons licensed as chiropractors in Ohio or another state and (2) medical professionals listed on the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners established by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.⁵ The National Registry is a list of professionals who have satisfied the requirements for conducting physical examinations for interstate commercial motor vehicle drivers.⁶ These requirements include licensure by any state as a doctor of medicine, doctor of osteopathy, doctor of chiropractic, physician assistant, advanced practice nurse, or other medical professional authorized to perform physical examinations. The Registry also requires completion of a training program and passage of a certification test.⁷

HISTORY

ACTION DATE

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⁷ 49 Code of Federal Regulations 390.103.



⁵ R.C. 3327.10(B)(1) and (6).

⁶ 77 Federal Register 24104 (April 20, 2012).