

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 247

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUVAL

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

PHYSICAL THERAPISTS: Provides relative to the disciplinary proceedings of the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 37:21(B)(10), relative to limitations on disciplinary proceedings of the  
3 Louisiana Physical Therapy Board; to exempt from limitations on disciplinary  
4 proceedings; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 37:21(B)(10) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §21. Limitations on disciplinary proceedings by professional or occupational boards  
8 and commissions

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10 B. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to the following:

11 \* \* \*

12 (10) The Louisiana Physical Therapy Board.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Exempts the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board from the limitations on disciplinary proceedings by professional or occupational boards and commissions.

Present law limits the timing in which a disciplinary proceeding of any kind may be initiated by a professional or occupational board or commission when the nature of the complaint is based in negligence or gross negligence, an intentional act or omission, fraud, or a license

or rule violation. Present law limits the manner in which a disciplinary proceeding may be conducted, when the complaint is filed with the professional or occupational board or commission, by requiring written notice be issued by the board or commission to the licensee within six months of the filing of the complaint and by requiring the proceeding to be held within six months of that notice unless that period of time is otherwise interrupted by procedural motions. Present law enumerates specific entities not restricted by the provisions of present law. Proposed law adds the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board to the enumerated list of specific entities not restricted by the provisions of present law.

(Adds R.S. 37:21(B)(10))