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Sponsor(s): Senators Talmadge, Moyer, Wojahn, Deccio and Prentice;  
by request of Department of Health

Brief Description: Modifying disciplining of health professionals  
under the uniform disciplinary act.

**SB 5519 - DIGEST**

Adds health care assistants to the professions subject to the  
uniform disciplinary act.

Removes the board of funeral directors and embalmers from  
boards having authority under the act and adds the board of  
pharmacy.

Increases maximum fines for violations.

Authorizes the secretary of health to act as the disciplining  
authority for health care assistants in regard to uncertified  
practice, the issuance and denial of certificates, and the  
discipline of certificate holders.

Sets out board of pharmacy disciplinary authority over  
pharmacists and pharmacy assistants.

Authorizes the secretary to issue cease and desist orders  
against a person believed to be engaged in unlicensed practice.

Makes technical changes to the uniform disciplinary act.