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Sponsor(s): House Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Representatives Cody, Morrell and Schual-Berke)

Brief Description: Concerning increasing a health profession's scope of practice.

HB 2449-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that, with respect to increasing the scope of practice of licensed or regulated health professions, it is the intent of this act to ensure that practitioners are able to provide health care services to the extent that they are qualified and that adequate public access to health services is maintained. The scope of practice for a health profession should be increased only when:

- (1) The training and education received by the profession is adequate to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public;

and

- (2) It is determined that the service to be added to the profession's scope of practice provides a health benefit to the recipient of the service.