

**SB 5485 - DIGEST**

Creates a music therapy advisory committee within the department of health.

Requires the secretary of the department of health to appoint members of the advisory committee that are familiar with the practice of music therapy.

Authorizes the advisory committee to: (1) Meet at least once per year;

(2) Facilitate development of materials that may be used to educate the public concerning music therapist licensure, the benefits of music therapy, and use of music therapy by individuals and in facilities or institutional settings; and

(3) Act as a facilitator of state-wide dissemination of information between music therapists, the American music therapy association, the certification board for music therapists, and the secretary.

Specifies that the secretary has authority, under the uniform disciplinary act, in relation to certified music therapists.