

HB 2295 -- RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

SPONSOR: Helms

This bill adds psychiatric physician assistants and psychiatric assistant physicians to the definition of mental health professionals for the purposes of Chapter 631, RSMo. The bill defines a psychiatric assistant physician as a licensed assistant physician under Chapter 334 who has had at least two years of experience as an assistant physician in providing psychiatric treatment to individuals suffering from mental health disorders and a psychiatric physician assistant as a licensed physician assistant under Chapter 334 and who has had at least two years of experience as a physician assistant in providing psychiatric treatment to individuals suffering from mental health disorders or a graduate of a postgraduate residency or fellowship for physician assistants in psychiatry or is currently in a postgraduate physician assistant residency or fellowship in psychiatry.