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Sponsors: Representatives Nesbitt and Luebke.

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Referred to: Select Committee on Health Care Delivery.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT AUTHORIZING NURSE PRACTITIONERS, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS,  
3 AND CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIVES TO CONDUCT PHYSICAL  
4 EXAMINATIONS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. Chapter 90 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new  
7 Article to read:

8 **“ARTICLE 37.**

9 **“HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS.**

10 **“§ 90-646. Physical examination by qualified health care professionals.**

11 (a) Whenever a statute or State agency rule enacted before October 1, 1999,  
12 requires that a physical examination shall be conducted by a physician, the examination  
13 may be conducted by another health care professional qualified to conduct such  
14 examination. The term ‘health care professional’ means a physician, nurse practitioner,  
15 physician's assistant, or certified nurse midwife who holds a current valid license or  
16 certificate to practice in North Carolina.

17 (b) This section shall not apply to physical examinations conducted pursuant to  
18 G.S. 1A-1, Rule 35; G.S. 15B-12; G.S. 90-14; or any rules adopted by the North Carolina

- 1 Boxing Commission requiring physical examinations unless those statutes or rules are
- 2 amended to make the provisions of this section applicable."
- 3           Section 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 1999.