obtain an approved job description from the Board of Physician Quality Assurance in order to perform certain delegated medical acts; substituting provisions that authorize a physician to delegate certain medical acts to a physician assistant under a delegation agreement that has been approved by the Board of Physician Quality Assurance; specifying the contents of a delegation agreement and procedures for review, approval, disapproval, and modification of a delegation agreement; authorizing a physician to delegate authority to a physician assistant to write medication orders under an approved delegation agreement under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to adopt certain regulations; prohibiting a certain physician assistant from writing medication orders for certain controlled dangerous substances unless the physician assistant has certain valid registrations; prohibiting a supervising physician from delegating the prescribing and administering of controlled dangerous substances, prescription drugs, or medical devices unless certain information is included in the delegation agreement and certain other requirements are met; prohibiting a physician from delegating to a physician assistant the prescribing of certain controlled dangerous substances; providing that a physician assistant is the agent of the supervising physician in the performance of certain practice-related activities; requiring the Board of Physician Quality Assurance to provide a certain list to the Board of Pharmacy; requiring a supervising physician to provide certain notice to the Board of Physician Quality Assurance when the supervising physician restricts or removes a delegation to write medical orders or to prescribe controlled dangerous substances, prescription drugs, or medical devices; requiring the Board of Physician Quality Assurance to require a certain continuing education course; requiring the Board of Physician Quality Assurance to include certain information in its annual report; defining certain terms; and generally relating to health occupations, physician assistants, and the authority of physicians to delegate prescriptive authority to physician assistants.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health Occupations

Section 15-101 and 15-301, 15-301, and 15-307(d)

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## BY repealing

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Section 15-302

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## BY adding to

Article - Health Occupations

Section 15-302 and 15-302.1 through 15-302.3

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