

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 104

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A RESOLUTION relative to standards of care for hormone replacement therapy.

WHEREAS, due to the recent growth in the number of health care providers who offer hormone replacement therapy, Tennessee has seen growth in the use of hormone replacement therapy throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, some health care providers in this state have voiced concerns about the quality of medical care provided by some hormone replacement therapy programs; and

WHEREAS, some unease exists concerning the advertising claims of some hormone replacement therapy programs which fail to mention potential adverse affects of the therapy; and

WHEREAS, the adequacy of marketing practices of hormone replacement therapy programs that employ sales plans claiming treatments are covered by third party reimbursement is also a concern; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that the board of medical examiners, in collaboration with the board of nursing and the committee on physician assistants, is directed to study and to recommend a standard of care for hormone replacement therapy and the promulgation rules addressing any identified deficiencies in the oversight or delivery of such therapy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the study should give consideration to, but not be limited to, advertising claims by health care provides who deliver hormone replacement therapy, the qualifications of the medical directors involved in delivery of hormone replacement therapy,

and the qualifications and supervision of allied health care providers offering hormone replacement therapy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the board of medical examiners, in collaboration with the board of nursing and the committee on physician assistants, shall complete its study and report its findings, recommendations, and any proposed rules and legislation to the house health and human resources committee and the senate general welfare, health and human resources committee on or before January 31, 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be prepared and delivered to the board of medical examiners, the board of nursing and the committee on physician assistants.