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CHAPTER 161. GENERAL PROVISIONS

§161.3, Organization and Structure

The Amendments to §161.3, relating to <u>Organization and Structure</u>, clarify the process for reporting potential grounds for removal of a board member, and adds a potential ground that must be reported related to both disciplinary and non-disciplinary action against a physician board member under subsection (f). The amendments also add new subsection (g), providing that the validity of an action of the board is not affected by the fact that the action is taken when a ground for removal of a board member exists. Remaining amendments represent general cleanup of the rule.

CHAPTER 176. HEALTH CARE LIABILITY LAWSUITS AND SETTLEMENTS

§176.1, Definitions

The Amendment to §176.1, relating to <u>Definitions</u>, corrects a spelling error in Rule 176.1(6) by changing the word "ex-rays" to "x-rays." The amendment corrects a spelling error thereby resulting in correct, clear and accurate words within the rules.

CHAPTER 185. PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

§185.4, Procedural Rules for Licensure Applicants

The Amendment to §185.4, relating to <u>Procedural Rules for Licensure Applicants</u>, adds new subsection (h) with language providing that a person who has been determined ineligible for a license by the Physician Assistant Licensure Committee may not reapply for a license prior to the expiration of one year from the date of the Physician Assistant Board's ratification of the Licensure Committee's determination of ineligibility and denial of licensure.