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## Synopsis of House Committee Amendments

(This synopsis does not address amendments that may have been adopted on the House Floor.)

### S.B. 95 of the 135<sup>th</sup> General Assembly

#### House Health Provider Services

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#### **Certified mental health assistants**

Establishes licensure by the State Medical Board for certified mental health assistants (CMHAs).

Authorizes CMHAs to provide mental health care under the supervision, control, and direction of a physician with whom the CMHA has entered into a supervision agreement.

Authorizes CMHAs to prescribe and personally furnish drugs and therapeutic devices in the exercise of physician-delegated prescriptive authority, including certain identified controlled substances.

Specifies application procedures including education requirements, renewal procedures, and continuing education requirements for CMHAs.

Establishes within the Medical Board an advisory committee to advise the Board and the Department of Higher Education regarding CMHA education programs.

Authorizes the Medical Board to discipline CMHAs in a manner similar to that of other Board licensees.

Prohibits an individual from claiming to be able to function as a CMHA if that individual does not hold a CMHA license and imposes criminal penalties for violations of that and other related prohibitions.

#### **Medical identifying devices - Paige's law**

Modifies the law governing the use of medical identifying devices, including by (1) recognizing devices containing bar or quick response codes that may be scanned to obtain medical information in an emergency and (2) authorizing law enforcement officers, emergency medical service providers, health care practitioners, and others to scan such devices in emergencies.

Designates these provisions as "Paige's Law."

## **Technical correction**

Removes a duplicated word.