

Cause of Death Certification; HB 2358

HB 2358 modifies the Uniform Vital Statistics Act provisions concerning who could certify a cause of death.

Cause of Death Certifier

The bill specifies that a cause of death certifier could certify the cause of death of a deceased person. The bill defines “cause of death certifier” to mean:

- A person licensed to practice medicine and surgery by the State Board of Healing Arts (Board);
- A physician assistant licensed by the Board;
- An advanced practice registered nurse licensed by the Board of Nursing;
- District coroner;
- Deputy coroner; or
- Special deputy coroner.

Technical and Conforming Amendments

The bill makes technical and conforming amendments to implement the bill’s provisions, including replacing references to medical certifications regarding the death of person by specifying the certification as a “cause of death” certification.