



AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS RELATED TO PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS; INCREASING PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS; AND AMENDING SECTION 2-15-1731, MCA.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

**Section 1.** Section 2-15-1731, MCA, is amended to read:

**"2-15-1731. Board of medical examiners.** (1) In accordance with 37-1-123, there is a Montana state board of medical examiners.

(2) The board consists of ~~42~~14 members:

(a) five doctors of medicine, including one with experience in emergency medicine, none of whom may be from the same county;

(b) one doctor of osteopathy;

(c) one podiatrist;

(d) one nutritionist;

~~(e) one physician assistant;~~

~~(e)~~ three physician assistants;

~~(f)(f)~~ one emergency care provider, as defined in 50-6-202, who may be a volunteer emergency care provider; and

~~(g)(g)~~ two public members.

(3) The board is allocated to the department as prescribed in 2-15-121."

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I hereby certify that the within bill,  
HB 686, originated in the House.

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Speaker of the House

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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President of the Senate

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

HOUSE BILL NO. 686

INTRODUCED BY J. ETCHART

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