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CWHB

**Bill #256  
Patient Access to Care Act**

**CHANGES RECOMMENDED TO THE  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE ON BILLS**

**PAGE 4, Schedule B, Clause 2 - delete the definition of “qualified health professional”.**

**PAGE 4, Schedule B, Clause 5 - delete and substitute the following:**

5 (1) An employer may not require a certificate with respect to an employee’s absence from work due to the employee’s sickness or injury unless the absence continues for more than five consecutive working days.

(2) A certificate permitted to be required under subsection (1) may be issued by a health care practitioner as defined in the *Canada Labour Code*.

(3) An employer shall reimburse an employee for any costs associated with obtaining a certificate permitted to be required under subsection (1).

**PAGE 5, Schedule B, paragraphs 10(1)(a) and (b) - delete.**

**Renumber and reletter accordingly.**