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Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 710

Chairperson: Tim Gay
Committee: Health and Human Services
Date of Hearing: January 21, 2010

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

The purpose of LB 710 is to provide statutory clarification of the term "chiropractic adjustment" as contained in the Chiropractic Practice Act. It also clarifies that the performance of a chiropractic adjustment on a patient other than by a person authorized under his or her scope of practice to make a diagnosis of such patient, including the use of diagnostic x-rays and physical and clinical examinations, is prohibited.

LB 710 is not intended to change the current scope of practice of any profession, or to restrict any person or profession currently exempt from the Chiropractic Practice Act, including licensed physicians and surgeons and licensed osteopathic physicians.

The definition of "chiropractic adjustment" is intended to reflect the commonly understood meaning of this term. The definition expressly states that "chiropractic adjustment" involves a high velocity thrust which carries a joint beyond the normal physiological range of motion, and is accompanied by a joint cavitation.

Principal Introducer:

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