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**State of Washington 64th Legislature 2015 Regular Session**

**By** Senate Health Care (originally sponsored by Senators Habib and King)

AN ACT Relating to referral of medical cases to occupational therapists; and amending RCW 18.59.100.

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

**Sec.**  RCW 18.59.100 and 1999 c 333 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

An occupational therapist shall, after evaluating a patient and if the case is a medical one, refer the case to a physician for appropriate medical direction if such direction is lacking. Treatment by an occupational therapist of such a medical case may take place only upon the referral of a physician, osteopathic physician, podiatric physician and surgeon, naturopath, chiropractor, physician assistant, psychologist, optometrist, or advanced registered nurse practitioner licensed to practice in this state.

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