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## HOUSE BILL 2774

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to review of chiropractic health care; adding a new
- 2 section to chapter 18.26 RCW; and creating a new section.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** (1) The purpose of this act is to assure
- 5 that review of chiropractic health care requested by third-party payors
- 6 is conducted thoroughly and fairly.
- 7 (2) The legislature intends that patients, providers, and third-
- 8 party payors are assured that a review will be conducted in accordance
- 9 with accepted standards of care as practiced in this state and that the
- 10 review will not be influenced by considerations of remuneration.
- 11 (3) The legislature finds that thoroughness and fairness can only
- 12 be assured if the reviews are conducted by licensed chiropractors who
- 13 are providing care to patients in this state.

- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 18.26 RCW
- 2 to read as follows:
- 3 The chiropractic disciplinary board shall establish a registration
- 4 system and shall develop and enforce standards for the education,
- 5 qualifications, and training of chiropractic physicians who engage in
- 6 the business of issuing professional opinions on the condition,
- 7 prognosis, or treatment of a patient.
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** If any provision of this act or its
- 9 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
- 10 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
- 11 persons or circumstances is not affected.