Representative Grier Hopkins



ALASKA STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Sponsor Statement for HB 323

"An Act extending the termination date of the State Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board; and providing for an effective date."

Under current statute, the State Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board is set to terminate on June 30, 2022. The Division of Legislative Audit recommends an eight-year extension of the Board. HB 323 would extend that termination date to an effective date of June 30, 2030.

The State Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board provides oversight for medical services utilized by many Alaskans. Extending the Board's termination date will allow for continued regulation of the practice of physical and occupational therapy in our state; ensuring that the industry adheres to best practices.