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House Bill 99 is up for a second hearing in SFIN tomorrow morning (5/4), and I wanted to loop back on two questions during the initial hearing. I was able to gather the following:

1. Does the State Medical Board have a position on HB 99 (specifically removing the licensed physician from the State Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board)?

We do not have any letters for or against the bill from the Medical Board. I reached out to DCCED to see about whether the board would like to take a position. I'll let you know if they do decide to comment on the bill.

2. What is the number of foreign-educated applicants applying for PT/OT licenses?

DCCED does not track foreign-trained applicants in their database, so they don't have a way to quickly query this information. An inquiry has been made.

Please let us know if you have any other questions/concerns.

Best.

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