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Sectional Analysis for CS for Senate Bill 69 (FIN) ver. S *By Senator Bill Stoltze*

“An Act relating to the Board of Chiropractic Examiners and the practice of chiropractic.”

Section 1: Amends AS 08.20.055 by adding new language that allows the board to adopt regulations for the following:

- Training and scope of practice of chiropractic interns and chiropractic preceptors;
- Designation of a nationally recognized certification program for chiropractic clinical assistants;
- Performance of patient examinations.

Section 2: Amends AS 08.20.100(b) clarifying how chiropractors can accept referrals, authorizes chiropractors to perform school physicals, and allows the employment of certified chiropractic clinical assistants, chiropractic interns, and chiropractic preceptors.

Section 3: Amends AS 08.20.100 by adding a new subsection (d) that exempts chiropractic interns from this section.

Section 4: Amends AS 08.20.160 regarding the requirements for temporary permits.

Section 5: Amends AS 08.20 by adding a new section (AS 08.20.168 Chiropractic clinical assistant) providing qualifications and allowed duties of chiropractic clinical assistants.

Section 6: Amends 08.20.185 by changing name of “peer review committee” to “utilization review committee” to better reflect the purpose of the committee. Also, the change is intended to assist in determining what complaints warrant a referral to investigative staff.

Section 7: Amends AS 08.20 by adding a new section (AS 08.20.195 Limitation of practice) requiring chiropractic clinical assistants, interns, and preceptors to act within the scope of practice as authorized by the board of chiropractic examiners.

Section 8: Amends AS 08.20.200 by updating penalties for unlicensed practice.

Section 9: Amends AS 08.20.210 by updating penalties for fraudulent licenses and certificates.

Section 10: Amends definition of “chiropractic examination” located in AS 08.20.900(7).

Section 11: Amends AS 08.20.900 by adding new definitions for “chiropractic clinical assistant,” chiropractic intern,” and “chiropractic preceptor.”