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"An act extending the termination date of the Board of Chiropractic Examiners; requiring a report on audit compliance by the Board of Chiropractic Examiners; and providing for an effective date."

The Division of Legislative Audit reviewed the Board of Chiropractic Examiners (BCE). The purpose of this audit was to determine whether or not there is a demonstrated public need for BCE's continued existence and whether it has been operating in an effective manner. As a result of this audit, our auditors concluded that the board's termination date should be extended until June 30, 2027; however, after deliberation among committee members, the Labor and Commerce Committee put forward a committee substitute to decrease the extension until June 30, 2024.

Legislative Audit makes two new recommendations:

- a. The Office of the Governor should appoint board members in accordance with statute.
- b. The Department should continue efforts to improve the investigative case management system's integrity and confidentiality.

Additionally, this bill also adds a section of uncodified law requiring the Division of Legislative Audit to submit a report to the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee concerning the Boards compliance with the recommendations from the 2021 audit, within one year after the effective date.

I urge your support of this legislation to extend the Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

Please contact my staff, Madison Govin, at 465-8181 with any further questions.