



# HOUSE BILL 150: Standards for Chiropractic Peer Review.

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<b>Committee:</b>	House Insurance. If favorable, re-refer to Judiciary III	<b>Date:</b>	March 14, 2017
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**OVERVIEW:** *The Proposed Committee Substitute for House Bill 150 would require a chiropractor licensed in North Carolina to review motor vehicle liability claims for personal injury and medical payments claims involving chiropractic treatment for the purpose of advising a third-party payer as to whether the services rendered by the treating chiropractor were clinically necessary and supported by the documentation.*

*[The PCS would add a new ground of disciplinary action that could be taken by the Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the Board) if a chiropractor failed to meet the peer review guidelines created by House Bill 150.]*

## BILL ANALYSIS:

**Section 1** would do the following:

- Limit the peer reviews to only motor vehicle liability claims for personal injury claims and medical payments claims.
- Define "chiropractic peer review".
- Provide a list of qualifications that a chiropractor performing the peer reviews must meet.
- Require the peer reviewer to apply the North Carolina standards of care that were in effect at the time the treatment was provided.
- Subject any licensed chiropractor performing a peer review to disciplinary action for failure to comply with the peer review guidelines.
- Subject any individual who performs a peer review without a chiropractic license to prosecution (Class 1 misdemeanor) and injunctive action.

**Section 2** would create a new ground of disciplinary action that could be taken by the Board if a chiropractor failed to comply with the peer review guidelines created in **Section 1**.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act becomes effective October 1, 2017, and applies to reviews conducted on or after that date.

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