



HOUSE BILL 150: Standards for Chiropractic Peer Review.

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OVERVIEW: *The Proposed Committee Substitute for House Bill 150 would require that when a third-party payer requests a review of motor vehicle liability claims for personal injury and medical payments claims involving chiropractic treatment that the review be performed by a chiropractor licensed in North Carolina. The review would be performed 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 requirement that the treatment records being reviewed be redacted to remove any information that would identify the treating chiropractor.]

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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