



HOUSE BILL 187: Modernize Physical Therapy Practice.

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OVERVIEW: *House Bill 187 would remove the prohibition on manipulation of the spine from the definition of "physical therapy" in G.S. 90-270.24(4).*

[As introduced, this bill was identical to S177, as introduced by Sens. Pate, Rabin, Krawiec, which is currently in Senate Rules and Operations of the Senate.]

CURRENT LAW: Under current law, the practice of physical therapy does not include the manipulation of the spine, unless prescribed by a physician.

BILL ANALYSIS: The bill would amend the definition of "physical therapy" in G.S. 90-270.24(4) to remove the prohibition of manipulating the spine without a prescription from a licensed physician.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This bill would become effective on October 1, 2017.

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