

State of  
Washington  
House of  
Representatives



May 23, 2013

John Wiesman, Secretary  
Washington State Department of Health  
P.O. Box 47890  
Olympia, Washington 98504-7890

Dear Secretary Wiesman,

I am requesting that the Department of Health consider a Sunrise Review application for a proposal that would change the scope of practice for licensed chiropractors to include the performance of physical examinations for sports physicals and commercial driver's licenses.

A copy of the proposal (HB 1573 from the 2013 legislative session) is attached. The House Health Care and Wellness Committee would be interested in an assessment of whether the proposal meets the sunrise criteria for expanding the scope of practice for a regulated health profession in Washington.

I appreciate your consideration of this application and I look forward to receiving your report. Please contact my office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eileen Cody".

EILEEN CODY, Chair  
House Health Care and Wellness Committee

Cc: Karen Jensen, Washington State Department of Health  
Lori Grassi, Washington State Chiropractic Association  
Jim Morishima, Office of Program Research

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HOUSE BILL 1573

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State of Washington

63rd Legislature

2013 Regular Session

By Representatives Harris, Hope, Pettigrew, Green, Walsh, Cody, Moeller, Stonier, and Morrell

Read first time 01/31/13. Referred to Committee on Health Care & Wellness.

1 AN ACT Relating to clarifying the prohibitions against  
2 discriminating against licensed chiropractors; and amending RCW  
3 18.25.0194 and 18.25.0195.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.25.0194 and 1974 ex.s. c 97 s 3 are each amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 The state and its political subdivisions, including school  
8 districts, and all officials, agents, employees, or representatives  
9 thereof, are prohibited from in any way discriminating against licensed  
10 chiropractors in performing and receiving compensation for services  
11 covered by their licenses. Licensed chiropractors must be allowed to  
12 perform sports physicals for school athletes and physical examinations  
13 required for commercial driver's licenses.

14 **Sec. 2.** RCW 18.25.0195 and 1974 ex.s. c 97 s 4 are each amended to  
15 read as follows:

16 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the state and its  
17 political subdivisions, and all officials, agents, employees, or  
18 representatives thereof, are prohibited from entering into any

1 agreement or contract with any individual, group, association,  
2 including the Washington interscholastic activities association, or  
3 corporation which in any way, directly or indirectly, discriminates  
4 against licensed chiropractors in performing and receiving compensation  
5 for services covered by their licenses.

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