

HB1581/352212/1

BY: House Judiciary Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1581

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, strike “– Repeal”; in line 4, strike “repealing” and substitute “altering”; and in line 8, after “claims;” insert “providing for the application of this Act;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, lines 25, 30, 32, and 35, in each instance, strike the bracket; in lines 32 and 35, strike “(5)” and “(6)”, respectively; in line 25, after “(4)” insert “(I)”; in line 27, strike “devote annually” and substitute “HAVE DEVOTED”; in line 29, after “claims” insert “DURING THE 12 MONTHS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE DATE ON WHICH:

**1. THE CERTIFICATE OF A QUALIFIED EXPERT WAS FILED; OR**

**2. THE EXPERT WAS DESIGNATED BY A PARTY TO TESTIFY BEFORE AN ARBITRATION PANEL OR A COURT, IF THE DESIGNATED EXPERT IS NOT THE PERSON WHO PREPARED THE CERTIFICATE OF A QUALIFIED EXPERT**”;

and after line 29, insert:

**“(II) ONCE A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER MAY NOT BE DISQUALIFIED DURING THE PENDENCY OF THE CASE FOR EXCEEDING THE 20% LIMIT UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.”**

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AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, after line 7, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall apply to any proceeding filed or pending on or after the effective date of this Act.”;

and in line 8, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”.