

HB0259/456086/1

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 259

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “prohibiting” in line 5 down through “term;” in line 26 and substitute “prohibiting health occupations boards and disciplinary panels from reprimanding a certain licensee or certificate holder, placing a certain licensee or certificate holder on probation, or suspending or revoking a license of a certain licensee or the certificate of a certain certificate holder solely on the basis of a licensee’s or certificate holder’s use of a certain diagnostic evaluation or treatment; providing for the construction of this Act;”; and strike line 29 in its entirety.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 1 through 4, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 2 through 4, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 13 on page 2 through line 8 on page 4, inclusive.

On pages 4 and 5, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 18 on page 4 through line 14 on page 5, inclusive, and substitute:

**“(C) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARDS AND DISCIPLINARY PANELS MAY NOT REPRIMAND A LICENSEE OR CERTIFICATE HOLDER, PLACE A LICENSEE OR CERTIFICATE HOLDER ON PROBATION, OR SUSPEND OR REVOKE THE LICENSE OF A LICENSEE OR THE CERTIFICATE OF A CERTIFICATE HOLDER SOLELY ON THE BASIS OF THE LICENSEE’S OR CERTIFICATE HOLDER’S USE OF A DIAGNOSTIC EVALUATION OR TREATMENT OF A PATIENT THAT IS INTEGRATIVE, COMPLEMENTARY, ALTERNATIVE, OR NONCONVENTIONAL, INCLUDING IN THE TREATMENT OF LYME DISEASE OR TICK-BORNE ILLNESSES.**

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**(2) THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO RELEASE A LICENSEE OR CERTIFICATE HOLDER FROM THE DUTY TO EXERCISE A PROFESSIONAL STANDARD OF CARE WHEN EVALUATING AND TREATING A PATIENT'S MEDICAL CONDITION."**