BY: House Judiciary Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 41

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 8, strike "has" and substitute "<u>shall have</u>"; in line 9, after "appeal;" insert "<u>providing that the writing or record may not express a physician's or dentist's medical or dental opinion; clarifying language; providing for the application of this Act;".</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in lines 1 and 2, strike ", A PHYSICIAN'S OR DENTIST'S MEDICAL OR DENTAL OPINION,"; in line 6, strike "THE MEDICAL OR DENTAL OPINION,"; in line 14, after "APPEAL" insert "WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF THE TESTIMONY OF A PHYSICIAN, DENTIST, OR HOSPITAL EMPLOYEE"; in lines 15 and 26, in each instance, strike "MUST" and substitute "SHALL"; in line 19, strike "FILES" and substitute "SHALL FILE"; in line 20, strike "SERVES" and substitute "SERVE"; in line 25, strike "AND"; and in line 26, after "ADMISSIBLE" insert "; AND

(4) THE WRITING OR RECORD MAY NOT EXPRESS A PHYSICIAN'S OR DENTIST'S MEDICAL OR DENTAL OPINION".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, in line 8, after "(B)" insert "(1)"; in the same line, after "SECTION" insert "AND PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION"; and after line 13, insert:

"(2) THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO ALLOW FEES AND CHARGES FOR MEDICAL SERVICES OR TREATMENT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNTS ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION UNDER § 9-663 OF THIS TITLE."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, after line 30, insert:

"SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall apply only to an injury or death occurring on or after the effective date of this Act.";

and in line 31, strike "2." and substitute "3.".