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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

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Senate Bill 1252 – An Act Requiring Informed Consent for Chiropractic Treatment

The Department of Public Health provides the following information with regard to Senate Bill 1252.

Senate Bill 1252 requires licensed chiropractors to obtain written informed consent from patients prior to performing any procedure, adjustment, manipulation or treatment and provides the Board of Chiropractic Examiners with the authority to take disciplinary action against the license of a chiropractor who fails to comply with these provisions.

The bill would also require the Department to adopt regulations establishing requirements for the process of informed consent, including but not limited to prior verbal and written notification of the risks and possible side effects of any proposed procedure, adjustment, manipulation or treatment. The Department respectfully requests the Committee to consider including definitions for such standards within the bill.

Thank you for your consideration of the Department's views on this bill.

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