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SB 1050: chiropractic care; diagnostic imaging.

Sponsor: Senator Shamp, LD 29

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Overview

Includes diagnostic imaging in a Doctor of Chiropractic's scope of practice.

History

A *Doctor of Chiropractic* is a natural person who holds a license to practice chiropractic ([A.R.S. § 32-900](#)).

A Doctor of Chiropractic may currently:

- 1) diagnose and correct subluxations, functional vertebral or articular dysarthrosis or neuromuscular skeletal disorders for restoring and maintaining health;
- 2) perform physical and clinical examinations, perform diagnostic x-rays and clinical diagnostic laboratory procedures that are limited to nasal swabs, oral swabs, sputum collection, urine collection, finger pricks or venipuncture in order to determine the propriety of a regimen of chiropractic care or to form a basis for referring patients to other licensed health care professionals, or both; and
- 3) conduct treatment by physical medicine modalities, therapeutic procedures, adjustments of the spine or bodily articulations, procedures to correct subluxations and neuromuscular skeletal disorders, prescription of orthopedic supports and acupuncture ([A.R.S. § 32-925](#)).

A Doctor of Chiropractic is prohibited from prescribing or administering medicine or drugs, performing surgeries or practicing obstetrics ([A.R.S. § 32-925](#)).

Provisions

1. Adds diagnostic imaging to the list of acts a Doctor of Chiropractic may perform. (Sec. 1)

Amendments

Committee on Health & Human Services

1. Specifies that a Doctor of Chiropractic may order diagnostic imaging.

Prop 105 (45 votes)

Prop 108 (40 votes)

Emergency (40 votes)

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