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## **PREAMENDED**

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**SENATE BILL 14-032** 

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#### A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING ELIMINATION OF RESTRICTIONS ON THE ABILITY OF ALTERNATIVE HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS TO TREAT CHILDREN.

#### **Bill Summary**

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.)

Current law prohibits complementary and alternative health care practitioners and registered naturopathic doctors (alternative health care providers) from treating children under 2 years of age and requires those providers to obtain parental consent and make specified disclosures to parents before treating a child 2 years of age or older but less than 8 years of age.

The bill repeals the restrictions on the ability of alternative health care providers to treat children of any age.

| 1  | Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:                  |
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| 2  | <b>SECTION 1.</b> In Colorado Revised Statutes, 6-1-724, <u>amend (6)</u>        |
| 3  | (n) introductory portion; and repeal (6) (m) as follows:                         |
| 4  | 6-1-724. Unlicensed alternative health care practitioners -                      |
| 5  | deceptive trade practices - short title - legislative declaration -              |
| 6  | <b>definitions.</b> (6) A complementary and alternative health care practitioner |
| 7  | providing complementary and alternative health care services under this          |
| 8  | section who is not licensed, certified, or registered by the state shall not:    |
| 9  | (m) Treat a child who is under two years of age;                                 |
| 10 | (n) Treat a child who is two years of age or older but less than                 |
| 11 | eight years of age unless the complementary and alternative health care          |
| 12 | <u>practitioner:</u>   |
| 13 | <del></del>  |
| 14 | SECTION <u>2.</u> Safety clause. The general assembly hereby                     |
| 15 | finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate     |
| 16 | preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.                            |

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