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BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 198

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, strike "Continuing Education" and substitute "Recommended Courses"; strike beginning with "requiring" in line 4 down through "courses;" in line 13 and substitute "requiring the Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities to provide to certain health occupations boards a list of certain recommended courses; requiring each board to post a certain list in a certain manner on the board's Web site, encourage certain applicants and health care professionals to take certain courses, provide information about the courses to certain health care professionals at a certain time, and advertise the availability of certain courses in certain newsletters and media;"; in lines 13 and 14, strike "continuing education" and substitute "recommended courses"; in line 15, strike "providers" and substitute "professionals"; and in line 18, strike "through 1-804" and substitute "and 1-802".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, after line 12, insert:

"(A) THE OFFICE OF MINORITY HEALTH AND HEALTH DISPARITIES
SHALL PROVIDE TO EACH BOARD A LIST OF RECOMMENDED COURSES IN
CULTURAL AND LINGUISTIC COMPETENCY, HEALTH DISPARITIES, AND HEALTH
LITERACY.

(B) EACH BOARD SHALL:

(1) POST THE LIST OF RECOMMENDED COURSES PROVIDED TO THE BOARD UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION PROMINENTLY ON THE BOARD'S WEB SITE;

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- (2) ENCOURAGE ALL APPLICANTS AND HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS TO TAKE ONE OR MORE OF THE RECOMMENDED COURSES;
- (3) PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT THE RECOMMENDED COURSES
 TO HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS AT THE TIME OF RENEWAL OF LICENSURE;
 AND
- (4) ADVERTISE THE AVAILABILITY OF THE RECOMMENDED COURSES IN NEWSLETTERS AND ANY OTHER MEDIA PUBLISHED BY THE BOARD.".

On pages 3 and 4, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 13 on page 3 through line 24 on page 4, inclusive.