

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Pass
Vote:	5 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	George, Monnes Anderson, Prozanski, Telfer, Rosenbaum
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	3/11

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Clarifies that a chiropractor who is serving as an attending physician at the time of a workers' compensation claim closure may make findings regarding the injured worker's impairment for purposes of evaluating the worker's disability.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the bill

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: In 2007, House Bill 2756 expanded the authority of a chiropractic physician, among others, to act for a limited period of time as the attending physician for an injured worker in the workers' compensation system, as well as to authorize time loss for 30 days and manage the worker's return to work during that period. House Bill 2756 inadvertently removed the authority for a chiropractic physician serving as an injured worker's attending physician to make findings regarding impairments for the purposes of evaluating the worker's disability. SB 2045 was recommended by the Management-Labor Advisory Committee.