

SENATE BILL NO. 432—SENATOR SCHNEIDER

MARCH 19, 2007

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Directs the Legislative Committee on Health Care to appoint a subcommittee to conduct a review concerning complementary integrative medicine, homeopathic medicine and the Nevada Institutional Review Board. (BDR S-694)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Increases or Newly Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City Jail or Detention Facility.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to health; directing the Legislative Committee on Health Care to appoint a subcommittee to conduct a review concerning complementary integrative medicine, homeopathic medicine and the Nevada Institutional Review Board; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law governs the practice of homeopathic medicine and the operation of
2 the Nevada Institutional Review Board. (Chapter 630A of NRS) The Legislative
3 Committee on Health Care is a permanent statutory committee of Legislators that
4 meets during the interim between legislative sessions to study various issues
5 relating to health care. (NRS 439B.200-439B.240) This bill requires the Committee
6 to appoint a subcommittee to review issues relating to complementary integrative
7 medicine, homeopathic medicine and the Nevada Institutional Review Board.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** 1. The Legislative Committee on Health Care
2 shall appoint a subcommittee to review issues concerning
3 complementary integrative medicine, homeopathic medicine and the



1 Nevada Institutional Review Board. The subcommittee must consist
2 of:

3 (a) One member of the Legislative Committee on Health Care
4 who is a member of the Senate appointed by the Chairman of that
5 Committee;

6 (b) Two members of the Legislative Committee on Health Care
7 who are members of the Assembly appointed by the Chairman of
8 that Committee;

9 (c) Two members of the Senate Standing Committee on
10 Commerce and Labor who served during the 74th Session of the
11 Nevada Legislature appointed by the Chairman of that Committee;
12 and

13 (d) One member of the Assembly Standing Committee on
14 Commerce and Labor who served during the 74th Session of the
15 Nevada Legislature appointed by the Chairman of that Committee.

16 2. The Chairman of the Legislative Committee on Health Care
17 shall designate a member of the subcommittee to serve as chairman
18 of the subcommittee.

19 3. The review must include, without limitation:

20 (a) A review of the status and operation of the Board of
21 Homeopathic Medical Examiners and the Nevada Institutional
22 Review Board;

23 (b) An examination of the advisability of making the Nevada
24 Institutional Review Board an independent body;

25 (c) An examination of the practice of complementary integrative
26 medicine, including:

27 (1) The scope of the practice;

28 (2) Any laws governing the practice; and

29 (3) The importance, benefits and value of the practice to this
30 State and the residents of and visitors to this State; and

31 (d) An examination of the potential for and advisability of an
32 independent board and statutory structure to govern the practice of
33 complementary integrative medicine.

34 4. Not later than June 30, 2008, the subcommittee shall submit
35 a report of the results of its review and any recommendations for
36 legislation to the Legislative Committee on Health Care. The
37 Legislative Committee on Health Care shall submit the report of the
38 results of the review and any recommendations for legislation to the
39 75th Session of the Nevada Legislature.

40 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2007.

