

By: Senator(s) Canon

To: Public Health and
Welfare

SENATE BILL NO. 2799
(As Passed the Senate)

1 AN ACT TO CODIFY SECTION 73-6-34, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS, GUIDELINES AND QUALIFICATIONS FOR ANY
3 CHIROPRACTOR WHO DOES CHIROPRACTIC CLAIMS REVIEWS AND/OR
4 INDEPENDENT EXAMINATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF RENDERING DECISIONS ON
5 CHIROPRACTIC INSURANCE CLAIMS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 SECTION 1. The following provision shall be codified as

8 Section 73-6-34, Mississippi Code of 1972:

9 73-6-34. (1) "Claims review" and/or "independent
10 examinations" are defined as services for third party entities for
11 the purpose of rendering a decision on chiropractic insurance
12 claims.

13 (2) Any review of chiropractic claims in the State of
14 Mississippi must be performed by a chiropractor licensed in the
15 State of Mississippi and must also meet the following
16 requirements:

17 (a) Present proof of three hundred (300) hours of study
18 in insurance claim review by a course of study recognized by the
19 Mississippi State Chiropractic Examining Board. Such proof is to
20 be filed with the Executive Secretary of the Mississippi State
21 Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

22 (b) Present proof to the Executive Secretary of the
23 Mississippi State Board of Chiropractic Examiners ten (10) hours
24 of continuing education each fiscal year in the instruction or
25 developments in claims review, which must be approved by the
26 Mississippi State Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

27 (c) Those chiropractors active in doing claims review

28 five (5) years prior to the enactment of this law will be exempt
29 from the three hundred (300) hours educational requirements.
30 Those chiropractors qualifying under subsection (c) of this
31 section must show proof of one hundred (100) hours of study in
32 claims reviews or related subjects, and meet all other
33 requirements.

34 (d) The Mississippi State Board of Chiropractic
35 Examiners shall issue a certificate to those chiropractors
36 qualifying under this law.

37 (e) Any chiropractor not complying with this act will
38 be subject to disciplinary action by the Mississippi State Board
39 of Chiropractic Examiners.

40 (3) No chiropractor shall engage in chiropractic claims
41 review or independent examinations on or after the date of passage
42 of this act unless he has met all requirements in this act.

43 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
44 and after July 1, 1999.