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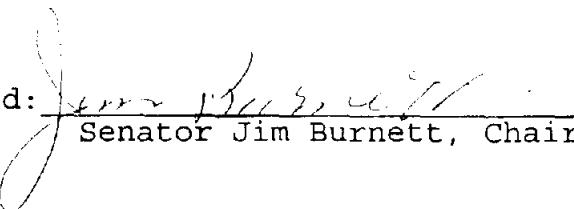
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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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March 24, 1995

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Safety having had under consideration HB 121 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that HB 121 be amended as follows and as so amended be concurred in.

Signed: 
Senator Jim Burnett, Chair

That such amendments read:

1. Title, line 5.

Following: "ANKLE;"

Insert: "REQUIRING CERTIFICATION BY THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS FOR ANKLE SURGERY; LIMITING THE SITES AT WHICH ANKLE SURGERY MAY BE PERFORMED;"

2. Page 1, line 26.

Insert: "

NEW SECTION. Section 3. Certification required for ankle surgery. Notwithstanding any other provisions in this title, a podiatrist may not perform surgical treatments of the ankle unless certified to do so by the board. The board shall certify a podiatrist whom it considers qualified by education, training, and experience or who is certified by the American board of podiatric surgery.

NEW SECTION. Section 4. Site of performance of ankle surgery. A surgical treatment of the ankle performed in accordance with [section 3] must be performed in a hospital or ambulatory surgical center licensed under Title 50.

NEW SECTION. Section 5. Codification instruction. [Sections 3 and 4] are intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 37, chapter 6, part 1, and the provisions of Title 37, chapter 6, part 1, apply to [sections 3 and 4]."

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