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Bill Analysis

SB 387 now requires chiropractors performing a chiropractic treatment to an animal without being certified in animal chiropractic diagnosis and treatment to be referred by a medical professional in writing. Additionally, the measure authorizes the Board of Chiropractic Examiners to employ an Executive Director, who shall be authorized to employ such personnel as needed to run the agency.

The measure also modifies chiropractor license applications, authorization for out-of-state practitioners to operate in the state, and associated fees. SB 387 strikes the requirement for an original applicant to attach an affidavit from two persons who hold a valid license to practice chiropractic in the state. The Board may authorize the newly created Director to issue a temporary license to original applicants.

Out-of-state practitioners may treat patients of an in-state chiropractic physician who is unable to practice for medical reasons. Those seeking to relocate their practice to the state will, under this measure, only be required to have been in an active practice for three years. Current law requires five years of practice out-of-state. The Board may authorize the newly created Director to issue a temporary license to relocation applicants.

The annual license fee is increased from \$225.00 to \$275.00. The Board may also charge a fine equal to the costs expended by the Board to investigate a violation. The measure repeals a duplicative section of the renewal fee for a chiropractic license.

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