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Senate Bill 1151 (as introduced 5-20-98)  
Sponsor: Senator Bill Bullard, Jr.  
Committee: Health Policy and Senior Citizens

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### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Public Health Code to prohibit an individual from announcing, or holding himself or herself out to the public as being able to perform, a “chiropractic adjustment”, unless the person was a licensed chiropractor or was otherwise authorized under the Code to perform that type of procedure.

Under the bill, “chiropractic adjustment” would mean an application of forces to the body that was intended to reduce or correct, or both, a vertebral misalignment, a vertebral subluxation, or a vertebral subluxation complex and its associated impact on the spine and related bones and tissues.

Currently, the Code describes the practice of chiropractic. Within the description is a statement that the practice includes, “the adjustment of spinal subluxations or misalignments and related bones and tissues for the establishment of neural integrity utilizing the inherent recuperative powers of the body for restoration and maintenance of health”. The bill would add that the practice of chiropractic would include, but not be limited to, the performance of a chiropractic adjustment.

Currently, the Code forbids a person from engaging in the practice of chiropractic unless licensed or otherwise authorized by the Code. The bill further would forbid a person from performing a chiropractic adjustment unless licensed or otherwise authorized under the Code.

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### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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