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**BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS  
MEETING MINUTES  
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE  
May 22, 2008  
Hearing Room  
1625 N. Market Blvd., Room S102  
Sacramento, CA 95833**

**Committee Members Present**

Frederick Lerner, D.C., Chair  
Francesco Columbu, D.C., Professional Member

**Staff Present**

Brian Stiger, Executive Officer  
LaVonne Powell, Senior Staff Counsel  
Marlene Valencia, Staff Services Analyst

**Call to Order**

Dr. Lerner called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Dr. Columbu called the roll. All committee members were present.

**Approval of Minutes for March 27, 2008**

Minutes were approved as submitted.

**Senate Bill 1402**

Mr. Stiger stated that he testified at the most recent legislative committee hearing informing the committee that the Board adopted a "Watch" position on the bill. He also stated that he and legal counsel drafted stronger enforcement language and forwarded to Senator Corbett's office for consideration.

Dr. Lerner stated that he had concerns with the \$2,000 reporting requirement, and he asked about the status of the proposed amendments from the Board.

Mr. Stiger stated that the proposed amendments put teeth in the bill to allow the Board to be more proactive.

Mr. Stiger offered an example of an insurance company that refused to provide pertinent information to enforcement staff because current law does not require insurance companies to provide the information.

Ms. Powell stated that without the documents many times the complaint seems more serious than previously thought. Ms. Powell clarified that we are seeking amendments to make it easier to collect information from insurance companies in order for staff to determine if they need to investigate further.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dr. Charles Davis, International Chiropractic Association of California (ICAC) stated that the \$2,000 threshold reporting requirement is too low and questioned why this profession is being singled out.

**MOTION: DR. COLUMBU MOVED TO TAKE A “SUPPORT IF AMENDED” POSITION ON THIS BILL AND CONTINUE TO WORK COOPERATIVELY WITH SENATOR CORBETT’S OFFICE.**

**SECONDED: DR. LERNER SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**VOTE 2-0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Any other legislative bills of interest to the board:**

Senate Bill 1441 (Ridley-Thomas)

Dr. Lerner outlined the major requirements of the bill. Ms. Powell stated that the bill allows the board to participate in diversion meetings conducted by other healing arts boards under DCA.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dr. Charles Davis, ICAC, is not opposed to this bill.

Kristine Schultz, California Chiropractic Association stated the association does not have a position on this bill.

**MOTION: DR. COLUMBU RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD TAKE A “SUPPORT” POSITION ON THIS BILL**

**SECONDED: DR. LERNER SECONDED THE MOTION**

**VOTE 2-0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Assembly Bill 2969 (Lieber)

Dr. Lerner outlined the major requirements of the bill.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Caryle Brakensiek, California Society of Industrial Medicine and Surgery, stated his association is a co-sponsor of the bill. Mr. Brakensiek urged the Board to take a support position on this bill.

Dr. Charles Davis, ICAC, urged the Board to support of this bill.

Kristine Schultz, CCA, urged the Board to support this bill.

**MOTION: DR. COLUMBU RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD TAKE A SUPPORT POSITION**

**ON THIS BILL.  
SECONDED: DR. LERNER SECONDED THE MOTION.  
VOTE 2-0  
MOTION CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Lerner adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:15 a.m.