



AN ACT REVISING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL OCCUPATIONS; ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE MEDICAL LEGAL PANEL TO SEND A LICENSING BOARD THE OUTCOME OF A DECISION; ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE CHIROPRACTIC LEGAL PANEL TO SEND THE LICENSING BOARD THE OUTCOME OF A DECISION; REMOVING THE REQUIREMENT FOR AN INSURER TO REPORT TO THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS FOR ALLEGED PROFESSIONAL NEGLIGENCE; AMENDING SECTIONS 27-6-605, 27-12-605, 37-3-404, AND 37-3-405, MCA; AND REPEALING SECTION 37-3-402, MCA.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 27-6-605, MCA, is amended to read:

"27-6-605. Decision to be filed and copies sent to parties, and attorneys, ~~and licensing board.~~

The decision shall be communicated in writing to the parties and attorneys concerned, and a copy thereof shall be retained in the permanent files of the panel. ~~A copy of the decision shall be sent to the health care provider's professional licensing board."~~

Section 2. Section 27-12-605, MCA, is amended to read:

"27-12-605. Decision to be filed and copies sent to parties, and attorneys, ~~and licensing board.~~

A copy of the decision must be:

- (1) given to the parties and their attorneys; and
- (2) retained in the permanent files of the panel."

Section 3. Section 37-3-404, MCA, is amended to read:

"37-3-404. Immunity of person providing information. A person, organization, association, society,

or health care facility ~~which~~that in good faith provides information to the state board of medical examiners as required by 37-3-401, ~~37-3-402~~, or 37-3-403 is not subject to suit for civil damages as a result ~~thereof~~ of providing information."

Section 4. Section 37-3-405, MCA, is amended to read:

"37-3-405. Suspension of license or privilege for failure to report. The willful failure of any person, organization, association, society, or health care facility to comply with 37-3-401, ~~37-3-402~~, or 37-3-403 is grounds for suspension of ~~any~~a license or privilege granted by the state of Montana. ~~Upon such failure, the~~
The agency granting the license or privilege may, in its discretion, suspend the license or privilege for a period not to exceed 1 month for a failure to comply."

Section 5. Repealer. The following section of the Montana Code Annotated is repealed:

37-3-402. Insurer to report to board.

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I hereby certify that the within bill,
HB 442, originated in the House.

Chief Clerk of the House

Speaker of the House

Signed this _____ day
of _____, 2025.

President of the Senate

Signed this _____ day
of _____, 2025.

HOUSE BILL NO. 442

INTRODUCED BY V. MOORE

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