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March 5, 2015

Mr. President:

Your PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it **DO PASS**, amended as follows:

- 1. On page 1, line 13, strike the semicolon and insert in lieu thereof a period.
 - 2. On page 1, strike lines 14 through 16 in their entirety.
- 3. On page 6, line 8, through page 7, line 10, strike Subsection 0 in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following new subsection:
- "O. A physical therapist shall refer a patient to the patient's licensed health care provider if:
- (1) after thirty days of initiating physical therapy intervention, the patient has not made measurable or functional improvement with respect to the primary complaints of the patient; provided that the thirty-day limit shall not apply to:
- (a) treatment provided for a condition related to a chronic, neuromuscular or developmental condition for a patient previously diagnosed by a licensed health care provider as having a chronic, neuromuscular or developmental condition;
- (b) services provided for health promotion, wellness, fitness or maintenance purposes; or
- (c) services provided to a patient who is participating in a program pursuant to an individual education plan under federal law; or

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(2) at any time, the physical therapist has reason to believe the patient has symptoms or conditions requiring treatment that is beyond the scope of practice of the physical therapist."".

4. On page 7, lines 11 and 12, strike Section 2 in its entirety.,

and thence referred to the ${\bf CORPORATIONS}$ AND TRANSPORTATION ${\bf COMMITTEE.}$

	Respectfully submitted,	
	Gerald Ortiz y Pino, Chairman	
Adopted(Chief Clerk)	Not Adopted(Chief Clerk)	
Date		
The roll call vote was <u>5</u> For Yes: 5	0 Against	

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Excused: Candelaria, Kernan, Stewart

None

Absent: