

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## HB 1360

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Addressing discriminatory practices against osteopathic physicians and surgeons.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Dyer, Dellwo, Backlund and Cody.

**House Committee on Health Care**  
**Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care**

**Background:** Osteopathic doctors are licensed under the Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery to practice osteopathic medicine and surgery in this state. The tenets of osteopathy emphasize the musculo-skeletal structure of the body, and include medical treatment as well as osteopathic manipulative therapy.

Cases of discrimination have occurred against osteopathic doctors in this state with regard to practice and training privileges.

**Summary:** Health maintenance organizations, professional service corporations, and hospitals are prohibited from discriminating against doctors of osteopathic medicine solely because they have been board certified or are eligible under an approved osteopathic certifying board.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

House	97	0
Senate	44	0

**Effective:** July 23, 1995