

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SB 6038

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As of December 14, 2020

**Title:** An act relating to acupuncture and Eastern medicine.

**Brief Description:** Concerning acupuncture and Eastern medicine.

**Sponsors:** Senators Rivers, Cleveland, Keiser, Short, Conway, Kuderer, Saldaña and Wilson, C..

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Health & Long Term Care: 1/15/20.

**Brief Summary of Bill**

- Changes the definition of acupuncture and *Eastern* medicine. Add a sentence.
- Permits acupuncturists to practice intramuscular and dry needling, practice ear acupuncture, and use contact needling and non-insertion tools.
- Permits acupuncturists, once they have completed a training, to inject local anesthetics for reducing pain during point injection therapy and use oxygen and epinephrine for potential emergency purposes.

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & LONG TERM CARE

**Staff:** Greg Attanasio (786-7410)

**Background:**

Adding text to the background.

**Summary of Bill:** The bill as referred to committee not considered.

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**Summary of Bill (Proposed Substitute):** This is the summary of the bill.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Available.

**Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members:** No.

**Effective Date:** The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.