

# House Research Act Summary

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## Overview

This act updates provisions of the Medical Practice Act based on recommendations made by a working group charged with evaluating the effectiveness of the act.

### Section

- 1** **Scope and purpose.** Amends § 147.001. Divides this section into two subdivisions. Subdivision 1 provides the citation for the Medical Practice Act. Subdivision 2 defines the purpose of the act.
- 2** **Creation; terms.** Amends § 147.01, subd. 1. Adds that not less than one board member must hold a degree of doctor of osteopathy. Current law states that one board member must hold this degree.
- 3** **United States or Canadian medical school graduates.** Amends § 147.02, subd. 1. Makes a technical change to allow a candidate to appear before the board to show that the applicant meets the requirements of this section. Current law requires this appearance before the board. Adds references to the National Board of Osteopathic Examiners and the licensure examination for osteopaths.
- 4** **Diversionsary program.** Creates § 147.0911. Allows a licensee to participate in the health professional services program, if the licensee meets the eligibility requirements.
- 5** **Oversight of allied health professions.** Creates § 147.61. Names the allied health professions supervised by the Board of Medical Practice.