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SENATE BILL NO. 17

Introduced by: The Committee on Health and Human Services at the request of the Board of
Chiropractic Examiners

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require each applicant for licensure as a chiropractor in
2 South Dakota or a licensee who is the subject of a disciplinary investigation to submit to a
3 state and federal criminal background check.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

5 Section 1. That chapter 36-5 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
6 follows:

7 Each applicant for licensure as a chiropractor, in this state shall submit to a state and federal
8 criminal background investigation by means of fingerprint checks by the Division of Criminal
9 Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Upon application, the Board of
10 Chiropractic Examiners shall submit completed fingerprint cards to the Division of Criminal
11 Investigation. Upon completion of the criminal background check, the Division of Criminal
12 Investigation shall forward to the board all information obtained as a result of the criminal
13 background check. This information shall be obtained prior to permanent licensure of the
14 applicant. The Board of Chiropractic Examiners may require a state and federal criminal
15 background check for any licensee who is the subject of a disciplinary investigation by the



1 board. Failure to submit or cooperate with the criminal background investigation is grounds for
2 denial of an application or may result in revocation of a license. The applicant shall pay for any
3 fees charged for the cost of fingerprinting or the criminal background investigation.