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Senate Resolution

A resolution commending the osteopathic physicians of this state and recognizing January 18, 2012, as "Osteopathic Medicine Day" in Florida.

WHEREAS, there are currently more than 70,000 osteopathic physicians in the United States who provide health care services that account for more than 76 million patient visits each year, and

WHEREAS, this state has three accredited osteopathic hospitals, two osteopathic medical colleges, and the third-largest osteopathic physician population in the nation, and

WHEREAS, osteopathic manipulation of the musculoskeletal system is a viable and proven technique for many diagnoses and treatments and provides an alternative to many drug therapies, and

WHEREAS, osteopathic physicians provide comprehensive medical care, including preventive medicine, diagnoses, and the appropriate use of drugs, surgery, manipulation, and hospital referrals, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That the members of the Senate commend the osteopathic physicians of this state and recognize January 18, 2012, as "Osteopathic Medicine Day" in Florida.