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### Sponsor Statement for HB 73 An Act extending the termination date of the State Medical Board

[AS 08.64.010](#) established the State Medical Board and provided for the appointment of members by the governor. The board consists of five licensed physicians, one licensed physician assistant, and two persons with no direct financial interests in the healthcare industry. [HB 73](#), if enacted would extend the board operation for another 4 years to June 30, 2007.

The board serves the public interest by establishing the minimum education and work experience requirements that individuals must meet to become licensed physicians, osteopaths, podiatrists, paramedics, and physician assistants. The board further serves the public interest by investigating complaints against licensed professionals and taking disciplinary licensing action when appropriate.

The board has consistently proven to be efficient, therefore I recommend that the State Medical Board be extended to June 30, 2007, and urge you to vote for its passage.