

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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H.B. 3153  
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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Current law allows doctors of podiatry or dentistry to create jointly owned, managed, or operated health care facilities in the form of professional associations. H.B. 3153 authorizes one or more persons duly licensed to practice chiropractic to form certain professional associations.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 2(A), Texas Professional Association Act (Article 1528f, V.T.C.S.), to read as follows:

(A) Formation. Authorizes any one or more persons duly licensed to practice a profession, including podiatry, dentistry, or chiropractic, under the laws of this state to, by complying with this Act, form a professional association, as distinguished from either a partnership or a corporation, by associating themselves for the purpose of performing professional services and dividing the gains therefrom as stated in articles of association or bylaws.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2001.