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**By** Senator Fasano

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1	Senate Resolution
2	A resolution commending the osteopathic physicians of
3	this state and recognizing January 18, 2012, as
4	"Osteopathic Medicine Day" in Florida.
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6	WHEREAS, there are currently more than 70,000 osteopathic
7	physicians in the United States who provide health care services
8	that account for more than 76 million patient visits each year,
9	and
10	WHEREAS, this state has three accredited osteopathic
11	hospitals, two osteopathic medical colleges, and the third-
12	largest osteopathic physician population in the nation, and
13	WHEREAS, osteopathic manipulation of the musculoskeletal
14	system is a viable and proven technique for many diagnoses and
15	treatments and provides an alternative to many drug therapies,
16	and
17	WHEREAS, osteopathic physicians provide comprehensive
18	medical care, including preventive medicine, diagnoses, and the
19	appropriate use of drugs, surgery, manipulation, and hospital
20	referrals, NOW, THEREFORE,
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22	Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:
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24	That the members of the Senate commend the osteopathic
25	physicians of this state and recognize January 18, 2012, as
26	"Osteopathic Medicine Day" in Florida.

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