

By Senator Sobel

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing April 3, 2013, as  
"Osteopathic Medicine Day" in Florida.

WHEREAS, there are currently more than 70,000 osteopathic  
physicians in the United States, and

WHEREAS, osteopathic physicians provide health care  
services that account for more than 76 million patient visits  
annually nationwide, 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 preventative care  
and comprehensive medical care that includes the appropriate use  
of drugs, surgical procedures, manipulation, and hospital  
referrals, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That April 3, 2013, is recognized as "Osteopathic Medicine  
Day" in Florida.