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Allowing physical therapist to perform acupuncture -- defined as the insertion of needles into the body -- presents a major threat to public safety. Preserving the use of acupuncture needles to qualified health professionals is of utmost importance. There are vast differences in amount and scope of training between licensed acupuncturists and other providers such as physical therapists when it comes to insertion and manipulation of needles. I strongly oppose HB 3824.