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SB 423

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Sue – I queried some of the physicians on the Board, and came up with the below as a definition of chronic pain for the committee's consideration. We were hoping to be helpful as this seemed to be a point of struggle.

- (c) severe chronic pain is persistent pain of severe intensity that significantly interferes with daily activities as documented by the patient's treating physician; and by
- (i) objective proof of the etiology of the pain, including diagnostic tests that may include but are not limit to the results of an x-ray, computerized tomography scan, or magnetic resonance imaging; or
- (ii) confirmation of that diagnosis from a second physician independent of the treating physician.

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