## Alabama Legislative Fact Sheet

•Alabama is one of only six states that do not regulate the practice of acupuncture.

• AOMA worked with Stephen McMillan (R) in the House of Representatives to draft a bill that will regulate the practice of acupuncture in Alabama.

• SB508 was introduced by Gerald Allen (R) in Senate Health Committee during the spring 2012 legislative session. It died under opposition from the Executive Director of the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners (AMBE).

• On August 15th, 2012 the AMBE board members, upon the suggestion of their credential committee, voted NOT to oppose legislation for the creation of an independent acupuncture board.

•Alabama State Board of Chiropractic Examiners has agreed to support the creation of an independent acupuncture board.

## What you can do to help:

In order to bring a bipartisan bill to both houses of the legislature during the upcoming legislative session **we need democratic sponsors. Sponsor this bill or find someone who will.** 

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