

A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO REGULATE THE PRACTICE OF PSYCHIROPATHY, AMENDATORY TO TITLE XII, CHAPTER 17 OF THE CODE, RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. The State Board of Medical Examiners shall issue to applicants of good moral character, who comply with the provisions of this act, certificates entitling the holders thereof to practice psychiropathy in this State. Applicants shall make affidavit as to where and how long they have studied, when, where and how long they have practiced, if at all, and also shall file affidavits of two reputable citizens of the county in which they reside as to their own character and standing. Such application shall be accompanied by a fee of five dollars (\$5). Holders of such certificates shall have them recorded in the office of the county recorder in the county or counties in which they practice, for which they shall pay the recorder a fee of fifty (50) cents; and the holders thereof shall not be subject to the provisions of section two thousand five hundred eighty (2580) of the Code.

Sec. 2. The certificate provided for in the foregoing section shall not authorize the holder thereof to prescribe or use drugs, or practice surgery, obstetrics or osteopathy.

Sec. 3. Persons who have been engaged in the practice of psychiropathy for a period of not less than one year in this State prior to July 4, 1904, six months of which shall have been

3 in one locality, and are members in good standing of the Iowa Psychiopathic Association,
4 shall be entitled to receive a certificate as provided for in section one hereof; provided, that
5 such application shall be made prior to January 1, 1905.

Sec. 4. Upon presenting a bona fide diploma from a legally incorporated school of psychi-
2 ropathy, recognized as in good standing by the Iowa Psychiopathic Association, applicant
3 shall be entitled to a certificate as provided for in section one hereof; provided, that such
4 school shall include in its course of instruction nine months' study of anatomy, physiology
5 and hygiene, instruction in diagnosis and prophylaxis of infectious diseases (as classified by
6 Osler), theory and practice of psychiopathy, and three months' clinical practice thereof, and
7 shall require not less than nine months' personal attendance before graduation; and provided
8 further, that in order to entitle its graduates to certificates, said school shall, on and after
9 July 4, 1906, require personal attendance upon two terms of seven months each. The educa-
10 tional requirement for admission to such school shall be a high school diploma or teachers'
11 certificate, in the absence of which the applicant shall be required to pass an examination of a
12 grade required for a teacher's certificate.

Sec. 5. The term "psychiopathy" is a compound word, derived from the Greek, the
2 meaning of which is, treatment with the mind and hand. Thus, any person employing the
3 influence of the mind, by suggestion or otherwise, or who uses the hands by making passes,
4 applying them to the patient, or in manipulation for curative purposes, is practicing psychi-
5 ropathy. Therefore, the systems of healing commonly known as mental science, divine science,
6 mental, psychic or suggestive therapeutics, magnetic healing, vitaopathy, chiropractic move-
7 ment cure, hydrotherapeutics, accompanied by manipulations with the hand, or any other
8 system of drugless therapeutics other than osteopathy, are hereby declared to be the practice
9 of psychiopathy, as within the meaning of this act.

Sec. 6. The Board of Medical Examiners may, for gross immorality or habitual intoxica-
2 tion, or upon satisfactory evidence, by affidavit or otherwise, that a certificate had been granted
3 upon false and fraudulent statements as to graduation and length of practice, revoke a certifi-
4 cate by an affirmative vote of at least five members of said board, which number shall include
5 one or more members of each of the different schools of medicine represented in said board.
6 After the revocation of a certificate the holder thereof shall not practice psychiopathy in this
7 state.

Sec. 7. Any person who shall present to the Board of Medical Examiners a fraudulent or

2 false diploma, or one of which he or she is not the rightful owner, for the purpose of procuring
3 a certificate as herein provided, or shall file, or attempt to file, with the recorder of any county
4 in the State, the certificate of another as his or her own, or shall falsely impersonate any one
5 to whom a certificate has been granted by said board, or shall practice psychiopathy in any
6 form in this State without having first obtained and filed for record the certificate herein
7 required, or who is not embraced in any of the exceptions contained in this act, or who con-
8 tinues to practice psychiopathy after the revocation of his or her certificate, is guilty of a
9 misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than three hundred dollars
10 (\$300), nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500), and costs of prosecution, and shall stand
11 committed to the county jail until such fine is paid; and whosoever shall file, or attempt to
12 file, with the recorder of any county in the State, the certificate of another, with the name of
13 the party to whom it was granted or issued, erased, and the claimant's name inserted, or shall
14 file, or attempt to file, with the Board of Medical Examiners any false or forged affidavits of
15 identification, shall be guilty of forgery.

Sec. 8. Every person practicing psychiopathy, or professing to treat, heal or cure diseases,
2 ailments or injury by any psychiopathy application or method, who goes from place to place,
3 or from house to house, or by circulars, letters or advertisements solicits persons to meet him
4 for professional treatment at places other than his office at the place of his residence, shall be
5 considered an itinerant psychiopath; and such itinerant psychiopath shall, in addition to the
6 certificate elsewhere provided for in this act, procure from the State Board of Medical Exam-
7 iners a license as an itinerant, for which he shall pay to the treasurer of State, for use of the
8 State of Iowa, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) per annum. Upon payment of
9 this sum, the secretary shall issue to the applicant therefor a license to practice within the
10 State, as an itinerant psychiopath, for one year from the date thereof. The Board may, for
11 satisfactory reasons, refuse to issue such license, or may cancel such license upon satisfactory
12 evidence of habitual intoxication or gross immorality.

Sec. 9. Nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prevent persons who are not regis-
2 tered practitioners from treating members of their own families, nor from treating friends or
3 others without direct or indirect compensation, nor for gratuitous services in case of emer-
4 gency, nor those called from other states in consultation with registered practitioners in this
5 State, nor those giving massage in bath parlors under the direction of registered practitioners;

6 nor those treating the eye by fitting glasses, nor those in the United States Army or Navy Hos-
7 pital service.

Sec. 10. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.