

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To regulate the practice of chiropractic and to provide for the examination and license of chiropractors and to provide for the maintenance of the board of examiners.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 Section 1. Any person shall be eligible for examination,
2 after the passage of this act, who is a graduate of a
3 recognized incorporated school or college of chiropractic,
4 giving adequate courses in anatomy, physiology, symptoma-
5 tology and diagnosis, hygiene and sanitation, chemistry,
6 histology, pathology, principles and practice, requiring
7 actual attendance for three school years of not less than
8 six months each.

1 Sec. 2. Such person shall at least fifteen days before
2 the date fixed for any regular meeting of the board of
3 examiners make written application for examination to the
4 secretary-treasurer of said board, and shall accompany
5 the same with a preliminary fee of fifteen (\$15.00) dollars.
6 The application shall contain a statement showing the
7 name, age, sex, and the residence of the applicant; the
8 name and location of the school or college of which he
9 graduated, the length of time devoted to the study of
10 chiropractic, the date of graduation, the experience of
11 the applicant if any, in the care of the sick as interne

12 or clinical assistant under any regular licensed
13 preceptor. The application shall be signed and verified
14 by the oath of the applicant.

1 Sec. 3. For the purpose of examining applicants for
2 license as chiropractors, there is hereby created a board
3 of chiropractic examiners, which shall be appointed by the
4 state appointment board created by section 2564 of the
5 1913 supplement to the code of Iowa, and shall be
6 composed of three members who are fully equipped
7 and qualified chiropractors.

1 Sec. 4. The term of office of the membership of
2 the board of chiropractic examiners shall commence
3 within 30 days from date of the taking effect of
4 this act, and shall continue for three years, provided
5 that the term of office of one member shall expire
6 in one year, one in two years and the other in three
7 years and one member annually thereafter, provided, however,
8 the first board shall meet as soon as convenient
9 after their appointment and organize by electing a
10 president and secretary-treasurer and annually there-
11 after during the life of said board; and shall adopt
12 rules and regulations to govern the making of applica-
13 tions and manner of conducting examinations which
14 shall be printed in pamphlet form, and thereafter one
15 copy shall be furnished to any person on applying for such
16 pamphlet, and shall adopt the forms to be used in the

17 business of the board and an official seal. Any
18 vacancies occurring in the membership of the board of
19 examiners shall be filled by appointment in the same
20 manner and from the same classes as is provided for by
21 the creation of the board. No such appointment shall
22 be made of any person who has not been continuously
23 engaged in the practice of chiropractic within the
24 state of Iowa for the two years next preceding such
25 appointment.

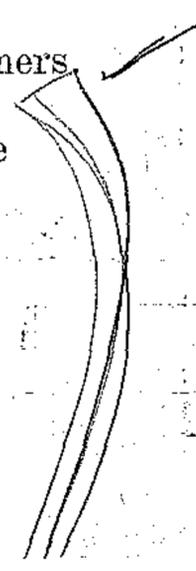
1 Sec. 5. The board of examiners shall hold regular
2 sessions for examinations of candidates for examination
3 and license to practice, and the transaction of such
4 other business as may properly come before it,
5 commencing on the first Monday of February, July and
6 October in each year at the capitol building in the
7 city of Des Moines, and it is hereby made the duty
8 of the custodian of said building to furnish the
9 board with a suitable room in which to hold its sessions.

1 Sec. 6. The board shall conduct written examina-
2 tions in anatomy, physiology, symptomatology and
3 diagnosis, hygiene and sanitation, chemistry, histology,
4 pathology, and principles of chiropractic, and shall
5 further require each candidate for license to give
6 a clinical demonstration of vertebral palpation,
7 nerve tracing and adjusting. Each candidate must
8 answer correctly at least sixty per centum of the

9 questions propounded in every subject and seventy-
10 five per centum of all questions propounded, besides
11 making satisfactory clinical demonstration, to be
12 entitled to a license. When it shall have been
13 determined by the board of examiners that any candidate
14 has passed successfully the examination and has made
15 satisfactory demonstration of the clinical art, and
16 is a person of good moral character there shall be
17 issued to such candidate a license to practice chiro-
18 practic, which must be countersigned by the president
19 and secretary-treasurer of the board of examiners
20 and authenticated by its official seal. The fee for
21 the license shall be five dollars and shall be paid
22 to the secretary-treasurer of the board of examiners
23 before the delivery of the license. Before any chiro-
24 practor shall be allowed to practice his profession
25 in the state his license shall be recorded in the
26 office of the recorder of the county in which he
27 resides, and the county recorder of such county shall
28 record such license and the fee therefor shall be
29 fifty cents. Anyone failing in his examination
30 shall be entitled to a second examination at the
31 next regular session, without further fee.

1 Sec. 7. Any person who has been bona fide,
2 regularly and continuously engaged in the practice
3 of chiropractic, in this state, for at least two years

4 prior to the taking effect of this act, or one who has
5 been bona fide and continuously engaged in the prac-
6 tice for six months prior and is a graduate of a
7 recognized school or college of chiropractic, having
8 and teaching an adequate course of at least two years
9 of six months each, in the subject of anatomy,
10 physiology, symptomatology, hygiene, chemistry,
11 histology, pathology, principles and practice of
12 chiropractic, and who shall have furnished satis-
13 factory proof to said board of examiners that he has
14 studied in such school or college of chiropractic the
15 subjects herein named for two school years of not
16 less than six months each, and has successfully
17 passed the examinations of such school or college of
18 chiropractic, in said subjects; that he is a person
19 of good moral character, shall be entitled to receive
20 a license without examination upon a payment of
21 a fee of twenty (\$20.00) dollars, to the secretary-
22 treasurer of the board of examiners, provided, however,
23 the application for such license shall be made within
24 thirty days after the appointment of board of examiners.
25 Provided further, that any person holding a license
26 issued by the board of any other state, having re-
27 quirements equal to those provided in this act,
28 shall be entitled to license without examination



29 at the discretion of the board upon the payment of
30 the fee of twenty (\$20.00) dollars and furnishing to
31 said board of examiners satisfactory evidence of his
32 good moral character.

1 Sec. 8. Any school or college duly organized
2 and incorporated giving a course of study in the
3 following subjects; anatomy, physiology, symptomatology
4 and diagnosis, hygiene and sanitation, chemistry,
5 histology, pathology, principles and practice, and
6 requiring an attendance for three school years of six
7 months each, is hereby determined to be a standard
8 school of chiropractic, and subject, only, to the
9 limitations of this act, and entitled to every
10 privilege of other schools and colleges of healing in
11 this state.

1 Sec. 9. The board of examiners may refuse to grant
2 a license to any person otherwise qualified and shall
3 revoke any license issued by it to any chiropractor,
4 who is not of good moral character, or who solicits
5 professional patronage by agents, or who is guilty
6 of false and fraudulent representations as to his
7 skill and ability, or who is guilty of gross unpro-
8 fessional conduct, or for incompetency, or for habitual
9 intoxication or use of narcotic drugs or for fraud or
10 deception in the procurement of his license. Before
11 any license shall be revoked by the board, the holder

12 thereof shall be entitled to have at least twenty days'
13 notice of the charge against him and of the time and
14 place when the board will hear and determine the
15 charges and upon such hearing he shall be entitled to
16 be represented by counsel, and have compulsory
17 process to procure the attendance of witnesses.
18 Any person who is aggrieved by any ruling, order, or
19 decision of the board of examiners made as contem-
20 plated in this section, shall have the right of
21 appeal therefrom to the district court of the county
22 where such hearing of revocation is held. Upon
23 receiving notice of any appeal the secretary-treasurer
24 of the board of examiners shall forthwith certify to
25 the clerk of the court in which the appeal is triable a
26 complete transcript of the entire record of the
27 proceedings before the board and shall transmit to
28 the clerk all the original papers, documents, and
29 records. The appeal shall be heard at the next term
30 of court commencing not less than ten days after the
31 service of the notice of appeal, and shall be triable
32 as a law action, with right of appeal to the supreme
33 court.

1 Sec. 10. The practice of chiropractic shall be
2 deemed to be the adjustment by hand of the articulations
3 of the spine and other incidental adjustments according
4 to chiropractic methods; but it shall not include

5 operative surgery, osteopathy, nor the administration or
6 prescribing of any drug or medicine now or hereafter
7 included in materia medica. Chiropractors shall,
8 subject to the limitations of this act, be entitled to
9 all the rights and privileges of physicians and surgeons
10 and shall be subject to all the duties and obligations
11 prescribed by the statutes of this state in so far as
12 that same are not inconsistent with the provisions of
13 this act. Every chiropractor shall place on all
14 signs used by him, and also display prominently in
15 his office, the word "chiropractor."

1 Sec. 11. Any person who shall practice or attempt
2 to practice chiropractic or who shall use the title
3 of chiropractor, or any word or title having a tendency
4 to induce any person to believe that he is a chiroprac-
5 tor, without having first complied with the provisions of
6 this act, or shall be guilty of any fraud,
7 deception, or false pretense in securing or attempting
8 to secure a license as a chiropractor, shall be guilty of
9 a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by a fine of not
10 less than three hundred dollars, nor more than five
11 hundred dollars, and shall pay the costs of prosecution,
12 and be committed to the county jail until such fine
13 and costs are paid. If any person holding a license to
14 practice under this act shall be convicted of a mis-
15 demeanor, as hereinbefore defined, or of practicing

16 contrary to the provisions of this act, or shall
17 be convicted of any felony, his license shall at once stand
18 revoked and shall furnish no protection thereafter against
19 prosecution for practicing or attempting to practice
20 chiropractic without a license. It is hereby declared to be
21 the special duty of the county attorneys to enforce the
22 provisions of this act within their respective counties.

1 Sec. 12. At the close of each regular meeting
2 of the board of examiners, the secretary-treasurer of the
3 board shall account to and deposit with the treasurer of
4 state all preliminary and license fees received and the
5 same shall be kept by said treasurer of state in a
6 separate fund, and shall be paid out only upon written
7 order, duly authenticated by the signature of the
8 president and secretary-treasurer of said board of
9 examiners and by the official seal of said board.
10 The fund so created shall be used for the payment of
11 the compensation of the members of the board of examiners,
12 which is hereby fixed at fifteen dollars a day for
13 each day actually spent in the performance of their
14 duties and their actual expense of travel while
15 engaged in official business, and the incidental
16 expense of the board for supplies required in order
17 to enable it to perform its duties. No further
18 appropriation shall be made for any expenses or
19 compensation of said board of examiners, and if said

20 fund in the hands of the treasurer of state shall be
21 insufficient, at any time, to pay said compensation
22 and expenses of said board of examiners for any regular
23 meeting of said board as herein provided for, the fund
24 on hand, if any shall be first applied to the payment
25 of said expenses of said board, and the balance of said
26 fund, if any, shall be apportioned and paid to said
27 board of examiners pro rata, which shall be in full
28 payment of the per diem of said board of examiners
29 for any such regular meeting. If at the end of four
30 years from the passage of this act there shall be a
31 surplus of said fund in the hands of the treasurer of
32 state, exceeding five hundred (\$500.00) dollars, it
33 shall be covered into the treasury of the state, and on
34 the 30th day of June in each year thereafter. The
35 funds created by section twelve of this act shall remain
36 in the hands of the treasurer of state, and the same
37 used from time to time for the maintenance of the board
38 of examiners, as provided in this act.

1 Sec. 13. This act being deemed of immediate import-
2 ance shall take effect and be in force from and after
3 its publication in the Des Moines Register and Des Moines
4 Capital, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa
5 without expense to the state.