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A BILL FOR

An Act to regulate the practice of Naprapathy, and providing for the examination and license of Naprapaths, and the appointment and maintenance of a board of examiners.

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

1 Section 1. For the purposes of this Act, the following
2 classes of persons shall be deemed to be engaged in the prac-
3 tice of Naprapathy:

4 1. Persons publicly professing to be Naprapaths, or
5 publicly professing to assume the duties incident to the prac-
6 tice of Naprapathy.

7 2. Persons who treat human ailments by manipulation of
8 shrunken ligaments and connective tissues.

1 Sec. 2. The preceding section shall not be construed
2 to include the following classes of persons:

3 1. Licensed physicians and surgeons, licensed "osteopaths",
4 and licensed "osteopaths and surgeons" and licensed
5 "chiropractors", who are exclusively engaged in the practice
6 of their respective professions.

7 2. Physicians and surgeons of the U. S. army, navy or
8 public health service, when acting in the line of duty in the
9 state.

10 3. Students of naprapathy, who have entered upon a
11 regular course of study in a naprapathic college, approved by

12 the naprapathic examiners, who practice naprapathy under the
13 direction of a licensed naprapath, and in accordance with the
14 rules of said examiners.

1 Sec. 3. Every applicant for a license to practice napra-
2 pathy shall:

3 1. Present satisfactory evidence that he possesses a
4 preliminary education, equal to the requirements for gradua-
5 tion from an accredited high school, or other secondary school.

6 2. Presents a diploma issued by a college of napra-
7 pathy, approved by the naprapathic examiners.

8 3. Passes an examination prescribed by the naprapathic
9 examiners in the subjects of anatomy, physiology, symptomatology,
10 and diagnosis, hygiene and sanitation, chemistry, histology,
11 pathology, and principles and practice of naprapathy, including
12 clinical demonstrations of naprapathic charted diagnosis and
13 directoplanning.

1 Sec. 4. No college of naprapathy shall be approved by
2 the naprapathic examiners, as a college of recognized standing,
3 unless said college

4 1. Requires for graduation, or for receipt of any
5 naprapathic degree, the completion of the course of study cover-
6 ing a period of not less than three school years, of six months
7 each year, in actual, continuous attendance.

8 2. Requires an adequate course of study in the sub-
9 jects enumerated in paragraph three (3) of the preceding section,
10 including practical clinical instruction.

11 3. Publishes in a regularly issued catalog, the re-
12 quirements for graduation, and degrees, as herein specified.

1 Sec. 5. A license to practice naprapathy shall not author-
2 ize the licensee to practice operative surgery, osteopathy,
3 chiropractic nor administer nor prescribe any drug or medicine
4 included in *Materia Medica*.

1 Sec. 6. Every licensee shall place upon all signs used
2 by him, and display prominently in his office, the word "Napr-
3 path."

1 Sec. 7. For the purpose of examining applicants for
2 license as naprapaths, there is hereby created a board of napra-
3 pathic examiners, which shall be appointed by the governor, and
4 shall be composed of three members who are fully equipped and
5 qualified naprapaths.

1 Sec. 8. The term of office of the membership of the
2 board of naprapathic examiners shall commence within thirty (30)
3 days from date of the taking effect of this act, and shall
4 continue for three years, provided that the term of office of
5 one member shall expire in one year, one in two years, and the
6 other in three years, and one member annually thereafter, provided,
7 however, the first board shall meet as soon as convenient after
8 their appointment and organize by electing a president and sec-
9 retary-treasurer and annually thereafter during the life of said
10 board; and shall adopt rules and regulations to govern the making
11 of applications and manner of conducting examinations which shall
12 be printed in pamphlet form, and thereafter one copy shall be

13 furnished to any person on applying for such pamphlet, and shall
14 adopt the forms to be used in the business of the board and an
15 official seal. Any vacancies occurring in the membership of
16 the board of examiners shall be filled by appointment in the same
17 manner and from the same classes as is provided for by the crea-
18 tion of the board. No such appointment shall be made of any
19 person who has not been continuously engaged in the practice of
20 naprapathy within the state of Iowa for the two years next pre-
21 ceding such appointment.

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

1 Sec. 10. The board shall conduct written examinations
2 in anatomy, physiology, symptomatology and diagnosis, hygiene
3 and sanitation, chemistry, histology, pathology and principles
4 of naprapathy, and shall further require each candidate for
5 license to give a clinical demonstration of naprapathic charted
6 diagnosis and direct planning. Each candidate must answer cor-
7 rectly at least sixty-five per centum of all questions propound-
8 ed, besides making satisfactory clinical demonstration, to be
9 entitled to a license. When it shall have been determined by

10 the board of examiners that any candidate has passed success-
11 fully the examination and has made satisfactory demonstration
12 of the clinical art, as provided herein, and is a person of good
13 moral character, there shall be issued to such candidate a
14 license to practice naprapathy, which must be countersigned by
15 the president and the secretary-treasurer of the board of exam-
16 iners and authenticated by its official seal. The fee for the
17 license shall be five dollars (\$5.00) and shall be paid to the
18 secretary-treasurer of the board of examiners before the de-
19 livery of the license. Before any naprapath shall be allowed to
20 practice his profession in this state his license shall be re-
21 corded in the office of the recorder of the county in which he
22 resides, or practices his profession, and the county recorder
23 of such county shall record such license and the fee therefor
24 shall be fifty cents (.50c). Anyone failing his examination
25 shall be entitled to a second examination without further fee,
26 at the next regular session.

1 Sec. 11. Any person who has been bona fide, regularly
2 and continuously engaged in the practice of naprapathy in the
3 state of Iowa on the passage of this act and who shall have
4 submitted to the board of examiners proof of good moral charac-
5 ter and evidence that he possesses the degree of knowledge, and
6 skill required in this act, shall be granted a license; and
7 any other person who is in actual practice in the state of Iowa
8 at this time and of good moral character shall receive a license
9 to practice naprapathy in this state after having passed a satis-

10 factory examination in anatomy, physiology, symptomatology and
11 diagnosis, histology, pathology, hygiene and sanitation, chemis-
12 try and the principles and practice of naprapathy, charted and
13 diagnosis and directoplanning; such license shall be issued, upon
14 the payment of the fee of twenty (\$20.00) dollars, to the sec-
15 retary-treasurer of the board of examiners, and said petitioner
16 shall annually thereafter, pay a renewal fee of two (\$2.00) dollars
17 per annum. Provided that any person holding a license issued
18 by the board of any other state, having requirements equal to
19 those provided in this act, shall be entitled to license with-
20 out examination at the discretion of the board upon payment of
21 the fee of twenty (\$20.00) dollars and furnishing to said board
22 of examiners satisfactory evidence of his good moral character.

1 Sec. 12. Any school or college duly organized and incor-
2 porated giving a course of study in the subjects specified in
3 paragraph three (3) of section three (3) above, and requiring
4 an attendance for three (3) school years of six (6) months each,
5 is hereby determined to be a standard school of naprapathy, and
6 subject, only, to the limitations of this act, and entitled to
7 every privilege of other schools and colleges of healing in
8 this state.

1 Sec. 13. The board of examiners may refuse to grant a
2 license to any person otherwise qualified and shall revoke any
3 license issued by it to any naprapath who is not of good moral
4 character, or who solicits professional patronage by agents, or
5 who is guilty of false and fraudulent representations as to his

6 skill and ability, or who is guilty of gross unprofessional con-
7 duct, or for incompetency, or for habitual intoxication or use
8 of narcotic drugs or for fraud or deception in the procurement
9 of his license. Before any license shall be revoked by the
10 board, the holder thereof shall be entitled to have at least
11 twenty (20) days' notice of the charge against him and of the
12 time and place when the board will hear and determine the charges
13 and upon such hearing he shall be entitled to be represented by
14 counsel, and have compulsory process to procure the attendance
15 of witnesses. Any person who is aggrieved by any ruling, order,
16 or decision of the board of examiners made as contemplated in
17 this section, shall have the right of appeal therefrom to the
18 district court of the county where such hearing of revocation is
19 held. Upon receiving notice of any appeal the secretary-treas-
20 urer of the board of examiners shall forthwith certify to the
21 clerk of the court in which the appeal is triable a complete
22 transcript of the entire record of the proceedings before the
23 board and shall transmit to the clerk all the original papers,
24 documents and records. The appeal shall be heard at the next
25 term of court commencing not less than ten (10) days after the
26 service of the notice of appeal, and shall be triable as a law
27 action, with right of appeal to the supreme court.

1 Sec. 14. The practice of naprapathy shall be deemed to be
2 the examination for, and charting of shrunken ligaments and con-
3 nective tissues, and the scientific relaxation of such ligaments
4 and connective tissues in accordance with Naprapathic Principles

5 and Directoplanning; but it shall not include operative surgery,
6 osteopathy, nor chiropractic, nor the administration or prescrib-
7 ing of any drug or medicine now or hereafter included in materia
8 medica. Naprapaths shall, subject to the limitations of this act,
9 be entitled to all rights and privileges of physicians and surg-
10 eons and shall be subject to all the duties and obligations pre-
11 scribed by the statutes of this state in so far as the same are
12 not inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

1 Sec. 15. Any person who shall practice or attempt to
2 practice naprapathy, or who shall use the title of naprapath,
3 or any word or title having a tendency to induce any person to
4 believe that he is a naprapath, without having first complied
5 with the provisions of this act, or shall be guilty of any fraud,
6 deception, or false pretense in securing or attempting to secure
7 a license as a naprapath, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and
8 shall be punished by a fine of not less than three hundred (\$300.00)
9 dollars, nor more than five hundred (\$500.00) dollars and shall
10 pay the costs of prosecution, and be committed to the county jail
11 until such fine and costs are paid. If any person holding a
12 license to practice under this act shall be convicted of a mis-
13 demeanor, as hereinbefore defined, or of practicing contrary to
14 the provisions of this act, or shall be convicted of a felony,
15 his license shall at once stand revoked and shall furnish no
16 protection thereafter against prosecution for practicing or
17 attempting to practice naprapathy without a license. It is here-
18 by declared to be the special duty of county attorneys to en-

19 force the provisions of this act within their respective counties.

1 Sec. 16. At the close of each regular meeting of the board
2 of examiners, the secretary-treasurer of the board shall account
3 to and deposit with the treasurer of the state all preliminary
4 and license fees received and the same shall be kept by the
5 said treasurer of state in a separate fund and shall be paid out
6 only upon written orders, duly authenticated by the signature of
7 the president and secretary-treasurer of said board of examiners
8 and by the official seal of said board. The fund so created shall
9 be used for the payment of the compensation of members of the
10 board of examiners which is hereby fixed at fifteen (\$15.00)
11 dollars per day for each day actually spent in the performance
12 of their duties, and their actual expense of travel while en-
13 gaged in official business, and the incidental expense of the
14 board for supplies required in order to enable it to perform its
15 duties. No appropriation shall be made for any expenses or com-
16 pensation of said board of examiners, and if said fund in the
17 hand of the treasurer of state shall be insufficient, at any
18 time, to pay said compensation and expenses of said board of
19 examiners for any regular meeting of said board as herein pro-
20 vided for, the fund on hand, if any, shall be first applied to
21 the payment of said expenses of said board, and the balance of
22 said fund, if any, shall be apportioned and paid to said board
23 of examiners pro rata, which shall be in full payment of the per
24 diem and traveling expenses of said examiners for any such reg-
25 ular or special meeting. At the end of each year after the pass-

26 age of this act, if there shall be a surplus of said fund in the
27 hands of the treasurer of state, exceeding five hundred (\$500.00)
28 dollars, it shall be covered into the treasury of state; and on
29 the thirtieth (30th) day of June in each year thereafter. The
30 funds created by this act shall remain in the hands of the
31 treasurer of state, and the same used from time to time for the
32 maintenance of the board of examiners, as provided in this act.

1 Sec. 17. This act being deemed of immediate importance
2 shall take effect and be in force from and after its pub-
3 lication in the, a newspaper
4 published at, Iowa and in
5 the, a newspaper published at
6, Iowa, without expense to
7 the state.