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House File 121  
By NIELSEN.

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Vote: Ayes.....85..... Nays.....2..... Vote: Ayes.....35..... Nays.....2.....  
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## A BILL FOR

An Act relating to the change of name of chiropodist to podiatrist and the name of chiropody to podiatry, and amending certain provisions of the Code relating thereto.

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

1 Section 1. Wherever the word "chiropody" appears in  
2 chapter one hundred forty-seven (147) of chapter one hundred  
3 forty-nine (149) of the Code, or other sections of the Code,  
4 or in any legislation enacted by the Fifty-ninth General  
5 Assembly, it is hereby stricken and the word "podiatry"  
6 inserted in lieu thereof.

1 Sec. 2. Wherever the word "chiropodist" appears in  
2 chapter one hundred forty-seven (147) or chapter one hundred  
3 forty-nine (149) of the Code, or other sections of the Code,  
4 or in any legislation enacted by the Fifty-ninth General  
5 Assembly, it is hereby stricken and the word "podiatrist"  
6 inserted in lieu thereof.

### EXPLANATION OF HOUSE FILE 121

After consultation with representatives of the American Medical Association, with representatives of the Armed Services, Army, Navy and Air Corps), and at the suggestion of the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, the national association of those engaged in the examination, diagnosis and treatment of the human foot was changed to the American Podiatry Association.

In order that there will be a conformity in professional designation throughout the United States, 29 states have already changed the name of the profession to "podiatry" and the balance are now in the process of making this change. It is also felt that this change will avoid the confusion which has existed between the names "chiropodist" and "chiropractor."

Prior to 1949 the profession was designated as podiatrist in the Code of Iowa. The trend at that time was to the name of chiropody, so the 53rd General Assembly in chapter 80, changed the name to chiropody. Now the trend is back to the name of podiatry and this bill merely changes the name back to what it was before the year 1949, and implements the change in the statutes of Iowa.

