

Senate Study Bill 3059

Bill Text

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1 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 148A.7 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE
1 2 RESTRICTION.

1 3 Notwithstanding section 148A.3, subsection 1, a person,
1 4 including a licensed health care provider engaged in the
1 5 practice of the provider's profession, shall not represent
1 6 that the person is providing physical therapy, physiotherapy,
1 7 or to use any other words which indicate or suggest that the
1 8 person is a physical therapist unless that person has obtained
1 9 from the department a license pursuant to this chapter.

1 10 Sec. 2. Section 151.1, subsection 3, Code Supplement 1999,
1 11 is amended to read as follows:

1 12 3. Persons utilizing differential diagnosis and related
1 13 procedures, withdrawing or ordering withdrawal of the
1 14 patient's blood for diagnostic purposes, performing or
1 15 utilizing routine laboratory tests, performing physical
1 16 examinations, rendering nutritional advice, utilizing
1 17 chiropractic

~~—physiotherapy~~

— modalities and procedures, all of
1 18 which are subject to and authorized by section 151.8.

1 19 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 151.13 LIMITATIONS.

1 20 A license to practice chiropractic shall not authorize the
1 21 licensee to practice or represent that the licensee practices
1 22 physical therapy, physiotherapy, or to use any other words
1 23 indicating or implying that the person is a physical therapist
1 24 unless that person has obtained a license from the department
1 25 pursuant to chapter 148A. Nothing in this section shall
1 26 restrict the utilization of modalities and procedures
1 27 authorized pursuant to this chapter in the practice of
1 28 chiropractic.

1 29 EXPLANATION

1 30 This bill provides for changes relating to authorization to
1 31 perform, or representing that a person performs, physical
1 32 therapy or physiotherapy. The bill provides that a person,
1 33 including a licensed health care provider engaged in the
1 34 practice of the provider's profession, is not permitted to
1 35 represent that the person provides physical therapy or
2 1 physiotherapy, or use any other words to indicate or suggest
2 2 that the person is a physical therapist unless that person has
2 3 obtained a license pursuant to Code chapter 148A. This
2 4 provision is added to the physical therapy licensure
2 5 provisions in Code chapter 148A and to the chiropractic
2 6 licensure provisions in Code chapter 151.

2 7 The bill also provides for a consistent change in
2 8 terminology regarding authorized procedures included within
2 9 the chiropractic scope of practice. The utilization of
2 10 chiropractic physiotherapy procedures is currently included
2 11 within the chiropractic scope of practice. The bill replaces
2 12 this term with the term "chiropractic modalities" to
2 13 differentiate chiropractic from the practice of physical
2 14 therapy.

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