

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
106TH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT" A " to H. P. 1274, L.D. 1677, Bill, "AN ACT  
Relating to the Registration of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons."

Amend said Bill in section 1 by striking out in the first line  
of the 2nd paragraph of that part designated "§2562." (same in L.D.)  
the underlined figure ~~"\$25"~~ and inserting in place thereof the  
following: '\$50'

Further amend said Bill in section 1 by striking out in the 9th,  
10th and 11th lines (9th and 10th of L.D.) of the 2nd paragraph of  
that part designated "2581." the underlined words and figures "or  
150 board approved hours of continuing medical education within a  
3-year period"

Further amend said Bill in section 1 by striking out in the last  
line of paragraph "J" of that part designated "§2591." (same in L.D.)  
the last 5 words as follows: "as defined in this chapter"

Further amend said Bill in section 1 by inserting in the last  
line of paragraph "O" of that part designated "2591." after the  
underlined word "another" the underlined word 'physician'

Further amend said Bill by striking out in the first line of  
subsection 2 of that part designated "§2591." of section 1, the  
following: "--results" and inserting in place thereof the following:  
'Disposition.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting in section 1 after that  
part designated "2592." the following heading:

'SUBCHAPTER VII  
GENERAL PROVISIONS'

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Further amend ~~said Bill~~ ~~in~~ section 1 by striking out all of that part designated "\$2595." and inserting in place thereof the following:

'\$2595. Treatment of minors

Any person licensed under this chapter who renders medical care to a minor for treatment of venereal disease or abuse of drugs is under no obligation to obtain the consent of said minor's parent or guardian or to inform such parent or guardian of such treatment. Nothing in this section shall be construed so as to prohibit the licensed person rendering such treatment from informing such parent or guardian. For purposes of this section "abuse of drugs" means the use of drugs solely for their stimulant, depressant or hallucinogenic effect upon the higher functions of the central nervous system and not as a therapeutic agent recommended by a practitioner in the course of medical treatment.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting at the end of section 1, before section 2, the following underlined section:

'\$2598. Penalty

Any person who attempts to practice osteopathic medicine without proper license or certificate or who holds himself or herself out to the public under circumstances as to induce the belief that said person is legally engaged in the practice of osteopathic medicine without having fully complied with all requirements of law shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not less than 30 days, nor for not more than 11

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months, or by both such fine and imprisonment; provided that nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit any lawfully qualified osteopathic physician in any other state meeting a registered osteopathic physician in this State for consultation.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact, the following:

'Sec. 3. Effective date. This Act shall become effective 91 days after the adjournment of the Legislature.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is:

1. To make the bill more workable
2. To provide for penalties
3. To provide for treatment of minors as already enacted by chapter 145 of the public laws of 1973.

Reported by the Committee on Health and Institutional Services.

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