

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.  
Reference to the Committee on Business Legislation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO

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**An Act to Certify Nonprofessionals Working in Chiropractic Offices.**

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(AFTER DEADLINE)



2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA c. 9, sub-c. IV is enacted to read:**

6 **SUBCHAPTER IV**

8 **CHIROPRACTIC ASSISTANTS**

10 **§555. Assistants**

12 This chapter does not prohibit an individual from rendering  
14 ancillary diagnostic or therapeutic services as used in  
16 chiropractic practice, other than the adjustive or manipulative  
18 techniques, if those services are rendered under the supervision  
20 and control of a licensed chiropractor as long as that person has  
22 successfully completed a training program recognized by the  
24 board. "Supervision and control" may not be construed as  
26 requiring the personal presence of the supervising and  
28 controlling chiropractor at the place where those services are  
30 rendered, unless physical presence is necessary to provide  
32 patient care of the same quality as provided by the  
34 chiropractor. This chapter does not prohibit a chiropractor from  
36 delegating to an employee certain activities relating to the care  
38 and treatment being performed by custom and usage when those  
activities are under the direct control of and in the person  
presence of the chiropractor. The chiropractor delegating those  
activities, either to an employee, program graduate or to a  
participant in an approved training program, is legally liable  
for those activities performed by such a person and that person  
is deemed to be the chiropractor's agent.

32 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

34 This bill allows chiropractic assistants to provide certain  
36 ancillary diagnostic or therapeutic services under the  
38 supervision of a chiropractor.