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House of Representatives, February 14, 2019

### An Act To Allow Chiropractic Internships

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Reference to the Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services suggested and ordered printed.

Handwritten signature of Robert B. Hunt in cursive.

ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative DOORE of Augusta.  
Cosponsored by Senator LAWRENCE of York and  
Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, CAMPBELL of Orrington, COLLINGS of Portland,  
FECTEAU of Biddeford, HANDY of Lewiston, MARTIN of Sinclair, MASTRACCIO of  
Sanford, Senator: HERBIG of Waldo.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §451, sub-§2-A** is enacted to read:

3 **2-A. Chiropractic intern.** "Chiropractic intern" means a chiropractic student who  
4 has been issued a temporary license to provide chiropractic services under the provisions  
5 of subchapter 5.

6 **Sec. 2. 32 MRSA c. 9, sub-c. 5** is enacted to read:

7 **SUBCHAPTER 5**

8 **CHIROPRACTIC INTERNS**

9 **§561. License**

10 An individual may not provide chiropractic services as a chiropractic intern except as  
11 described under this subchapter.

12 **1. Application for licensure.** An applicant for a temporary license to practice  
13 chiropractic as a chiropractic intern pursuant to this subchapter shall complete an  
14 application on a form established by the board and pay a fee established by the board. An  
15 applicant for a temporary license shall:

16 A. Identify the college or institution at which the applicant is a student sponsoring  
17 the applicant through a preceptorship arrangement;

18 B. Identify the licensed chiropractic doctor who will provide supervision to the  
19 applicant, who must possess a valid, unrestricted license to practice chiropractic in  
20 the State and be approved by the sponsoring college or institution under paragraph A;

21 C. Identify to the satisfaction of the board that adequate professional liability  
22 insurance provided by the sponsoring college or institution under paragraph A that  
23 covers the internship relationship is in effect;

24 D. Provide evidence of having good moral character by means of a letter of good  
25 standing from the sponsoring college or institution under paragraph A and submit to a  
26 criminal background check as described in Title 20-A, section 6103; and

27 E. Attest to having fully read and understood the requirements of this chapter and all  
28 rules established by the board pertaining to the legal practice of chiropractic in the  
29 State and agree to practice within the confines of state law.

30 The board may issue a nonrenewable temporary license, not to exceed 6 months, to  
31 practice chiropractic to an applicant meeting all of the conditions of this subsection. The  
32 temporary license must describe the place or setting where chiropractic services are  
33 provided. An applicant failing to provide documentation of the requirements of this  
34 subsection may not be granted a temporary license by the board. The board may by rule  
35 establish other requirements for temporary licensure of chiropractic interns.

