

SENATE BILL NO. 175

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Introduced: 1/25/12

Referred: Labor and Commerce

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the practice of naturopathy; and providing for an effective date."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 * **Section 1.** AS 08.45.050 is amended to read:

4 **Sec. 08.45.050. Restrictions on practice of naturopathy.** A person who
5 practices naturopathy may not

6 (1) give, prescribe, or recommend in the practice

7 (A) a prescription drug, **except as provided in (b) of this**
8 **section;**

9 (B) a controlled substance;

10 (C) a poison;

11 (2) engage in surgery;

12 (3) use the word "physician" in the person's title.

13 * **Sec. 2.** AS 08.45.050 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

14 (b) Notwithstanding (a)(1)(A) of this section, a person who practices
15 naturopathy may give, prescribe, or recommend in the practice a prescription drug that

1 is derived from or is a concentrate of or is an extract of a plant, tree, root, moss,
2 fungus, or other natural substance if the prescription drug is not a controlled substance.
3 * **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).