

1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE BILL NO. 58

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

4 TWENTY-SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An act regulating the practice of physi-
7 cal therapy; and prescribing a penalty."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA:

9 Section 1. SUPERVISION. Before any person may practice or
10 hold himself out to the public as a "physiotherapist," he must
11 secure the express written permission, and practice under the
12 supervision of, a person licensed to engage in the "practice of
13 healing."

14 Sec. 2. DEFINITIONS. (1) The term "physiotherapist" as
15 used in this act shall mean any person who practices physical
16 therapy.

17 (2) The term "physical therapy" shall mean the treatment
18 of any bodily or mental condition of any person by the use of
19 the physical, chemical, and other properties of heat, light,
20 water, electricity, massage, and active, passive, and resistive
21 exercise. The use of roentgen rays and radium, for diagnostic
22 and therapeutic purposes, and the use of electricity for surgi-
23 cal purposes, including cauterization, are not authorized under
24 the term "physical therapy" as used herein.

25 (3) The term "practice of healing" as used in this act
26 shall mean and include any person who shall in any manner for
27 any fee, gift, compensation or reward, or in expectation thereof,
28 engage in, or hold himself out to the public as being engaged in,
29 the practice of medicine or surgery, the practice of osteopathy,

1 the practice of chiropractic, the practice of any legalized
2 method of healing or the diagnosis, analysis, treatment, correc-
3 tion or cure of any disease, injury, defect, deformity, infirm-
4 ity, ailment or affliction of human beings or any condition or
5 conditions incident to pregnancy or childbirth or examination
6 into the fact, condition or cause of human health or disease,
7 or who shall, for any fee, gift, compensation or reward or in
8 expectation thereof, suggest, recommend or prescribe any medi-
9 cine or any form of treatment, correction or cure therefor;
10 also any person or persons individually or collectively who
11 maintains an office for the reception, examination, diagnosis
12 or treatment of any person for any disease, injury, defect,
13 deformity, or infirmity of body or mind, or who attaches the
14 title of Doctor, Physician, Surgeon, Specialist, M.D., M.B.,
15 D.O., D.C., or any other work, abbreviation or title to his name
16 indicating or designed to indicate that he is engaged in the
17 practice of healing.

18 Sec. 3. ~~shall~~ PENALTY. Any person who violates the provisions
19 of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction
20 thereof be punished by a fine not to exceed \$1,000.00 or impri-
21 sonment in the federal jail for not more than a year, or both
22 such fine or imprisonment.
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