

1 IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR PERATROVICH
BY REQUEST

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SENATE BILL NO. 73

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

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TWENTY-THIRD SESSION

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6 For an Act entitled: "An Act defining and regulating the practice
7 of Chiropody in the Territory of Alaska,"

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

9 Section 1. DEFINITION. Chiropody, for the purpose of this Act,
10 means the diagnosis and/or medical, surgical, mechanical, physical
11 and adjunctive treatment of the diseases, injuries and defects of
12 the human foot and leg. This shall not confer the right to ampu-
13 tate the foot or leg or the use of any anesthetic other than local
14 anesthetics, except that a chiropodist may administer narcotics
15 and medications in the treatment of ailments of the human foot and
16 leg in the same manner as a physician and surgeon.

17 Section 2. LICENSING REQUIREMENTS. It shall be unlawful for
18 anyone to practice chiropody in the Territory of Alaska unless he
19 or she possesses a valid license to practice Chiropody in any one
20 of the forty-eight States or the District of Columbia.

21 Section 3. VIOLATIONS OF ACT; PENALTIES: Any person who shall
22 practice or attempt to practice Chiropody without a license or other-
23 wise violate any terms of this Act, or use any words or letter to
24 induce others to believe that he or she is engaged in the practice
25 of Chiropody, or shall use any cutting instruments upon the feet,
26 claiming to be practicing some other branch of the healing art,
27 other than Chiropody or Medicine, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor,
28 and, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than
29 two hundred dollars (\$200) or shall be impounded for not more than

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1 six months, for the first violation. On the second and each sub-
2 sequent conviction, he or she shall be sentenced to pay a fine of
3 not more than five hundred dollars (\$500) or be imprisoned for not
4 more than six months or suffer both such fine and imprisonment.

5 Nothing in this Act shall be construed to interfere with or
6 affect regularly licensed physicians in the discharge of their pro-
7 fessional duties and nothing herein shall be construed so as to
8 prohibit or restrict the sale or fitting of shoes or commercial
9 foot appliances; Provided, however, that no such retail merchant
10 shall be permitted to practice Chiropody as provided for in this
11 Act unless duly licensed to practice Chiropody.

12 Section 4. APPLICATION FOR LICENSE. Any person who desires
13 to practice Chiropody in the Territory of Alaska shall first make
14 a written application to the Territorial Tax Commissioner for an
15 Alaska business license. Such application for license shall be
16 accompanied by an initial fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25) and by
17 a photostatic copy of a valid license to practice Chiropody in
18 one of the forty-eight States or the District of Columbia.

19 Section 5. SEVERABILITY. The fact that any section, sentence,
20 clause or phrase of this Act is declared invalid for any reason
21 shall not affect the remaining portion of this Act.

22 Section 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. An emergency is hereby declared
23 to exist and this Act shall take effect immediately upon its
24 passage and approval.

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