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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY  
REQUEST

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 760

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act authorizing the medical practice of  
7 acupuncture."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 08.64.170(a) is amended to read:

10 (a) No person may practice medicine, [OR] osteopathy or acupunc-  
11 ture in the state unless he is licensed under this chapter, except  
12 that a physician assistant may examine, diagnose or treat persons  
13 under the supervision, control, and responsibility of either a physi-  
14 cian licensed under this chapter or a physician exempted from licensure  
15 under sec. 370 of this chapter. A person licensed under AS 08.36 may  
16 perform acupuncture in the regular practice of dentistry, subject to the  
17 regulations of the Board of Dental Examiners.

18 \* Sec. 2. AS 08.64.180 is amended to read:

19 Sec. 08.64.180. APPLICATION FOR LICENSE. A person who desires  
20 to practice medicine, [OR] osteopathy or acupuncture in the state shall  
21 apply in writing to the department for a license.

22 \* Sec. 3. AS 08.64 is amended by adding a new section to read:

23 Sec. 08.64.207. QUALIFICATIONS FOR ACUPUNCTURE APPLICANTS. Each  
24 acupuncture applicant shall meet all of the qualifications prescribed in  
25 sec. 200 of this chapter and shall meet those requirements of experience  
26 or education in the practice of acupuncture as may be required by the  
27 board.

28 \* Sec. 4. AS 08.64 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

29 (6) "acupuncture" is a medical practice to cure disease or

1       relieve pain, alter function or induce anesthesia by piercing portions  
2       of the body with needles.  
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