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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION
AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

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SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 347 (HESS)

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the licensing of naturopaths."

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

8 * Section 1. AS 08.01.010 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

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(24) regulation of naturopaths under this Act.

10 * Sec. 2. REGULATION OF NATUROPATHY. (a) The department shall license
11 naturopaths in accordance with secs. 3 and 4 of this Act.

12 (b) The department may adopt regulations necessary to implement the
13 provisions of this Act.

14 * Sec. 3. LICENSING REQUIREMENT. A person may not engage in the prac-
15 tice of naturopathy unless that person has a valid license issued under
16 this Act.

17 * Sec. 4. LICENSURE AS A NATUROPATH. To be eligible for a license as a
18 naturopath, an applicant shall be a resident of this state who, on the
19 effective date of this Act

20 (1) is practicing naturopathy in the state; and

21 (2) has graduated from a school of naturopathy that has as a
22 requirement for graduation successful completion of a course of resident
23 study of at least 4,000 hours; and

24 (3) has a valid license to practice naturopathy in another
25 state, province, or territory.

26 * Sec. 5. NATURE OF PRACTICE. The practice of naturopathy is not the
27 practice of medicine if the naturopath does not use prescription drugs,
28 except vitamins, minerals, and herbal remedies, does not perform surgery
29 except for the repair of superficial lacerations and lesions, and does not

1 use radium or x-ray therapy or diagnosis. In addition, a naturopath may
2 not purport to practice anything other than naturopathy.

3 * Sec. 6. In this Act "department" means the Department of Commerce and
4 Economic Development.

5 * Sec. 7. AS 08.01.010(24) and secs. 2 - 6 of this Act are repealed
6 June 30, 1985.