

HOUSE BILL NO. 437

**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION**

BY REPRESENTATIVE GRUENBERG

Introduced: 1/30/92

Referred: Health, Education & Social Services, Labor & Commerce, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

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

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 08.45.030 is repealed and reenacted to read:

5 **Sec. 08.45.030. ISSUANCE OF LICENSE.** The division shall issue a license to practice
6 naturopathy to an applicant who provides proof satisfactory to the division that the applicant

7 (1) completed naturopathic studies on or before December 31, 1987, and has

8 (A) received a degree from an accredited four-year college or university;

9 (B) graduated from a school of naturopathy that required four years of

10 attendance at the school; and

11 (C) either

12 (i) been continuously licensed in another state since passing an
13 examination for licensure in that state; or

14 (ii) not been continuously licensed in another state but has passed

1 the Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examination sponsored by the American
2 Association of Naturopathic Physicians; or
3 (2) completed naturopathic studies after December 31, 1987, and has
4 (A) received a degree from an accredited four-year college or university;
5 (B) graduated from a school of naturopathy that required four years of
6 attendance at the school and at the time of graduation the school was accredited or a
7 candidate for accreditation by the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education or a
8 successor organization recognized by the United States Department of Education; and
9 (C) passed the Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examination sponsored
10 by the American Association of Naturopathic Physicians.

11 * **Sec. 2.** AS 08.45 is amended by adding a new section to read:

12 **Sec. 08.45.035. TEMPORARY LICENSES.** (a) The division shall issue a temporary
13 license to practice naturopathy to an applicant who agrees to take the next Naturopathic
14 Physicians Licensing Examination offered after the date of application and provides proof
15 satisfactory to the division that the applicant

16 (1) meets the requirements of AS 08.45.030(1)(A) and (B) or (2)(A) and (B); and

17 (2) has not previously failed the Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examination
18 sponsored by the American Association of Naturopathic Physicians in Alaska.

19 (b) A temporary license issued under (a) of this section terminates on the date

20 (1) the results of the examination under (a)(2) of this section are reported by the
21 testing authority if the applicant failed the examination; or

22 (2) of the Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examination that the applicant
23 agreed to take under (a) of this section if the applicant fails to take the examination.

24 * **Sec. 3.** AS 08.45 is amended by adding a new section to read:

25 **Sec. 08.45.100. REGULATIONS.** The Department of Commerce and Economic
26 Development shall adopt regulations to implement this chapter.

27 * **Sec. 4.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).