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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, MARCH 7, 1994

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 16, 1986 (P.L.1646, No.188),
2 entitled "An act providing for the licensing of chiropractors
3 and the regulation of the practice of chiropractic;
4 establishing the State Board of Chiropractic in the
5 Department of State and providing for its powers and duties;
6 providing for the supervision of colleges of chiropractic,
7 for the examination of applicants, for enforcement and for
8 disciplinary actions; providing penalties; and making
9 repeals," further providing for approval of chiropractic
10 colleges.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. Section 303(b) of the act of December 16, 1986
14 (P.L.1646, No.188), known as the Chiropractic Practice Act, is
15 reenacted and amended to read:

16 Section 303. Approval of chiropractic colleges.

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18 (b) Continuation of colleges pending accreditation.--

19 (1) Any college which, on the effective date of [this
20 act] the reenactment of this subsection, is not accredited as
21 provided in subsection (a) but which has been approved by the

1 board on the basis of a self-study and inspection or has
2 current status as a recognized candidate for accreditation as
3 provided in subsection (a) or whose graduates were admitted
4 to the most recent examination for licensure under the act of
5 August 10, 1951 (P.L.1182, No.264), known as the Chiropractic
6 Registration Act of 1951, shall have five years from the
7 effective date of [this act] the reenactment of this
8 subsection in which to obtain accreditation as provided in
9 subsection (a). Such colleges shall continue to offer
10 chiropractic training and education in accordance with the
11 requirements of the Department of Education of the
12 Commonwealth. The Department of Education of the Commonwealth
13 shall periodically ascertain, by inspection and otherwise,
14 the quality of instruction and facilities possessed by such
15 colleges. A person shall be admitted to the licensing
16 examination and shall be eligible for licensure if he
17 otherwise satisfies the requirements of this act and if he
18 graduated from any such college prior to the effective date
19 of [this act] the reenactment of this subsection, graduated
20 within five years from the effective date of [this act] the
21 reenactment of this subsection, or graduated more than five
22 years from the effective date of [this act] the reenactment
23 of this subsection but was enrolled at such college on the
24 expiration of five years from the effective date of [this
25 act.] the reenactment of this subsection.

26 (2) This subsection shall apply to only those colleges
27 which meet all of the following criteria:

28 (i) they have been in operation continuously for at
29 least 16 years prior to the effective date of the
30 reenactment of this subsection;

1 (ii) they became accredited as provided in
2 subsection (a) no later than July 31, 1991; and
3 (iii) they continue to be accredited by the same
4 chiropractic accrediting agency but are no longer
5 included within the provisions of subsection (a) because
6 the accrediting agency ceased to be recognized by the
7 United States Department of Education as of June 4, 1993.

8 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.