
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY RAVENSTAHL, JAMES, DEASY AND NEILSON,
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, AUGUST 18, 2017

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," in licensure and regulation, further providing for
10 license required.

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

13 Section 1. Section 521 of the act of December 16, 1986
14 (P.L.1646, No.188), known as the Chiropractic Practice Act, is
15 amended to read:

16 Section 521. License required.

17 It shall be unlawful after the effective date of this act for
18 any person in this Commonwealth to engage in the practice of
19 chiropractic or indicate in any manner whatsoever the ability to
20 practice chiropractic unless licensed under the provisions of
21 this act, except that [any]:

22 (1) Any person licensed or legally authorized to

1 practice chiropractic in this Commonwealth under any other
2 act shall thereafter continue to possess the same rights and
3 privileges with respect to the practice of chiropractic
4 without being required to be licensed anew under the
5 provisions of this act, and as fully as if he were licensed
6 under the provisions of this act; and to that extent, he
7 shall be exempt from any penalties under this act.

8 (2) This section does not apply to a student enrolled in
9 a chiropractic education program who is:

10 (i) conducting chiropractic activities under the
11 supervision of:

12 (A) a licensee; or

13 (B) instructors or supervisors who meet the
14 licensing criteria of the Department of Education or
15 the board; and

16 (ii) enrolled in a program approved by the board at
17 a regionally accredited college or university or
18 Pennsylvania private licensed school or its equivalent as
19 determined by the board.

20 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.