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A bill for an act

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relating to health; modifying the definition of optometry; amending Minnesota

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Statutes 2010, section 148.56, subdivision 1.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 148.56, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

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Subdivision 1. **Optometry defined.** (a) Any person shall be deemed to be practicing

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optometry within the meaning of sections 148.52 to 148.62 who shall in any way:

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(1) advertise as an optometrist; or

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(2) employ any means for the measurement of the powers of vision or the adaptation

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of lenses or prisms for the aid thereof; or

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(3) possess testing appliances for the purpose of the measurement of the powers of

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vision; or

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(4) diagnose any disease, optical deficiency or deformity, or visual or muscular

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anomaly of the human eye or visual system; or

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(5) prescribe lenses, prisms, or the use of any scientific instruments in connection

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with ocular exercises, orthoptics, visual training, vision training, vision therapy, or

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habilitative/rehabilitative therapeutic vision care to train the visual system for the

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correction or improvement of, or the relief of same to, the visual function; or

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(6) prescribe or administer legend drugs to aid in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation,

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prevention, treatment, or management of disease, deficiency, deformity, or abnormality

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of the human eye and adnexa included in the curricula of accredited schools or colleges

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of optometry, and as limited by Minnesota statute and adopted rules by the Board of

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Optometry, or who holds oneself out as being able to do so.

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(b) In the course of treatment, nothing in this section shall allow:

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- 2.1 (1) legend drugs to be administered intravenously, intramuscularly, or by injection,
- 2.2 except for treatment of anaphylaxis;
- 2.3 (2) invasive surgery including, but not limited to, surgery using lasers;
- 2.4 (3) Schedule II and III oral legend drugs and oral steroids to be administered or
- 2.5 prescribed;
- 2.6 (4) oral antivirals to be prescribed or administered for more than ten days; or
- 2.7 (5) oral carbonic anhydrase inhibitors to be prescribed or administered for more
- 2.8 than seven days.