

in cases where such renewal is made before the end of its period of duration.

Sec. 2. Six months limitation.—Such proceedings to obtain such extension shall be taken within six (6) months after the passage of this act.

Sec. 3. Original acts declared valid.—When such steps are taken within such period, such proceedings shall relate back to the date of the expiration of said original corporate period, and when said period is extended as provided by this act any and all corporate acts and contracts done, performed, made and entered into after the expiration of said original period, shall be and each is hereby declared to be legal and valid.

Sec. 4. Application.—This act shall not apply to any corporation the charter of which has been declared forfeited by the final judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction in this state, nor to any corporation as to which there is any action or proceeding pending in any of the courts in this state for the forfeiture of its charter.

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CHAPTER 64—H. F. No. 228.

An act defining and regulating the practice of chiropractic in the State of Minnesota, creating a state board of chiropractic examiners, and prescribing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. State board of chiropractic examiners.—There is hereby created and established a board to be known by the name and style of State Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

Sec. 2. Definition.—For the purpose of this act, chiropractic is hereby defined as being the science of adjusting any abnormal articulations of the human body, especially those of the spinal column, for the purpose of giving freedom of action to impinged nerves that may cause pain or deranged function.

Sec. 3. Appointment of board by governor and qualifications.—That within thirty days after the passage of this act, the governor shall appoint a state board of chiropractic examiners, consisting of five resident chiropractors, who shall have practiced chiropractic in this state at least three years immediately prior to the time of appointment, all of whom shall be graduates of a course in chiropractic, but no two of whom shall be a graduate of the same school or college of chiropractic; one to serve for one year, one to serve for two years, one to serve for three years, one to serve for four years and one to serve for five years, and until their successors are appointed and qualified, and one every year thereafter to the end

that each member shall serve five years after the first appointment. Vacancies caused by death or otherwise shall be filled by the governor within sixty (60) days. No member of said board shall be financially interested in any chiropractic school or college, or be in any way affiliated with the practice of other methods of healing as are now regulated by law in the state of Minnesota.

Sec. 4. Organization and procedure.—Said board shall, within thirty days after being so appointed, assemble at the Capitol building in St. Paul, Minnesota, and then and there organize by electing a president, vice president and a secretary-treasurer to serve for one year, or until their successors are elected and qualified. The officers of the board shall have power to administer oaths, summon witnesses and take testimony as to matters pertaining to its duties. They shall adopt a minimum of educational requirements not inconsistent with the provisions of this law, which shall be without prejudice, partiality or discrimination as to the different schools or colleges of chiropractic. Said board shall meet twice in each year on the first Tuesday of the months of March and September, and at such other times as the majority of the board may deem proper. Three members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The secretary shall keep a record of its proceedings. Said reports shall be prima facie evidence of all matters therein recorded. Within thirty days after the organization of said board it shall notify all persons known to be engaged in the practice of chiropractic in this state of the provisions of this act by publishing notice of this act in one issue of a daily paper in each of the cities of St. Paul, Minneapolis and Duluth, such publication to be made within thirty days after the organization of said board.

Sec. 5. License and fee—Necessary qualifications.—At its first meeting the board members shall issue to the members thereof a license to practice chiropractic, for which each member shall pay a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). Said board shall have a common seal and shall formulate rules to govern its actions. All persons who have been engaged in the practice of chiropractic in this state six months or more immediately prior to the passage of this act, shall within sixty days after its passage, make a personal or written application to the board of examiners for a license to practice. All applicants shall be required to furnish documentary evidence of having completed his or her course in chiropractic; also, an affidavit signed by three citizens who reside in the town or city in which applicant practices, setting forth that the applicant is a resident of this state and has practiced chiropractic six months or more, immediately prior to the passage of this act, and upon payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) the board shall issue the applicant a license to practice chiropractic. Provided, however, that any chiropractor who was actually engaged in the practice of chiropractic in the State of Minnesota at the time of his enlistment

in the organized military or naval service of the United States, or of any allied power friendly to the United States during the late war, may make the application hereinbefore provided for within sixty days after the passage of this act, or in case of his discharge subsequent to the passage of this act, then within sixty days after his discharge.

Sec. 6. Examination of applicants.—Any person desiring to commence the practice of chiropractic in this state after the passage of this act, or who shall not have been practicing in this state six months immediately prior to the passage of this act, shall make a written application to the secretary of the board for a license and appear at its first regular meeting thereafter. The applicant shall furnish evidence of having completed a high school course, or its equivalent, and taken a three-year resident course of eight months each, or more, no two of which courses shall be taken in any one year, in a chartered school or college of chiropractic, wherein the curriculum of studies includes instruction in the following branches, to-wit: anatomy, physiology, symptomatology, pathology, hygiene, dietetics, gynecology, diagnosis, urinalysis, chiropractic orthopedy, intellectual adaptation and the science and art of chiropractic. An examination for a license shall be in writing. The applicant shall be required to give practical demonstration in vertebral palpation, nerve tracing and adjusting. A license countersigned by the members of the board and authenticated by the seal thereof, shall be granted to each applicant who shall correctly answer seventy-five per centum (75%) of the questions propounded in each of the above subjects. All applications shall be accompanied with a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). Such fee shall not be returned in the event of failure to pass, but the applicant may, within six months, present himself for examination without the payment of an additional fee. Provided, however, that such examination may be waived as to any person who has been licensed to practice chiropractic in another state whose requirements are equal to the provisions of this act, upon the payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).

Sec. 7. Renewal fee—Fees to be paid to state treasurer—Report.—(a) All persons practicing chiropractic within this state shall pay on or before the first day of September of every second year after a license is issued to them as herein provided, to said board of chiropractic examiners a renewal fee of five (5) dollars. The secretary-treasurer shall, thirty days or more before September first of every second year mail to all chiropractors in this state a notice of the fact that the renewal fee will be due on or before the first of September. Nothing in this act shall be construed so as to require that the renewal receipts shall be recorded as original licenses are required to be recorded.

(b) All fees received by said board under this act shall be paid to the secretary-treasurer, who shall forthwith deposit the

same with the state treasurer in a separate fund of the state board of chiropractic examiners for their use and shall pay the same out only upon written orders issued and signed by the secretary-treasurer and president of said board. The expense of the board in carrying out the provisions of this act shall be paid out of this fund, and not otherwise.

(c) The secretary-treasurer shall, on the first Tuesday of October of every year file with the governor of the state a report of all receipts and disbursements and proceedings of said board for the fiscal year. He shall also give bonds in such sum and such sureties as the board shall deem necessary. The members of the board shall receive a fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) per day and mileage at the rate of three cents (3c) per mile, and other necessary incidentals, in attending the meetings of said board.

Sec. 8. Recording of licenses—Rules and regulations—Negative practices.—(a) Every person holding a license from the state board of chiropractic examiners, shall have it recorded in the office of the clerk of the district court of the county in which applicant practices and the date of recording shall be indicated thereon. Said clerk shall keep in a book provided by him for the purpose, a complete list of the licenses recorded, for which he shall receive a fee of one dollar (\$1.00) for each license so recorded.

(b) Chiropractors shall be subject to the same rules and regulations both municipal and state, that govern other licensed doctors or physicians in the control of contagious and infectious diseases, and shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of other doctors or physicians in all matters pertaining to the public health, except prescribing internal drugs or the practice of surgery and obstetrics.

(c) The practice of chiropractic is hereby declared not to be the practice of medicine, surgery or osteopathy.

Sec. 9. Violation a misdemeanor.—Any person who shall practice or attempt to practice chiropractic or who shall use any of the terms or letters "Doctors of Chiropractic," "Chiropractor," "D. C." or any other title or letters under any circumstances as to lead the public to believe that the person that so uses such terms is engaged in the practice of chiropractic without having complied with the provisions of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or be imprisoned in the county jail for not less than thirty (30) days nor more than six (6) months, or both fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court. It shall be the duty of the county attorney of the county in which such person practices, to prosecute under this act. Provided, however, that nothing in this act shall be considered as interfering with any person engaged in other methods of healing as are now regulated by law in the State of Minnesota.

Sec. 10. Revocation of licenses—Restoration of rights.—(a) The state board of chiropractic examiners may refuse to grant or revoke a license to practice chiropractic in this state, or may cause the name of a person licensed to be removed from the records in the office of the county clerk in this state upon any of the following grounds, to-wit: The employment of fraud or deception in applying for a license or in passing an examination provided for in this act; the practice of chiropractic under a false or assumed name or the impersonation of another practitioner of like or different name; the conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude; habitual intemperance in the use of ardent spirits, narcotics or stimulants. Any person duly licensed, or who is an applicant for a license to practice chiropractic against whom any of the foregoing grounds for revoking or refusing a license is presented to said board with a view of having the board revoke or refuse to grant a license, shall be furnished with a copy of the complaint, and shall have a hearing before said board in person or by attorney, and witnesses may be examined by said board respecting the guilt or innocence of said accused. In case a license is revoked by the state board of chiropractic examiners, a copy of the order of revocation duly certified by the secretary of the board shall forthwith be filed by said secretary in the office of the clerk of the district court in which the revoked license was filed, and the clerk of the district court where the same is filed shall make a notation of such revocation in the book in which the record of said license is kept and shall cancel such revoked license. Said clerk shall receive a fee of one dollar (\$1) for filing such order of revocation and making said notation and cancellation which shall be paid from the funds of said state board.

(b) Said board may at any time within two years of the refusal or revocation or cancellation of a license under this section, by a majority vote, issue a new license or grant a license to the person affected, restoring him to or conferring upon him all the rights and privileges of, and pertaining to the practice of chiropractic as defined and regulated by this act. Any person to whom such have been restored shall pay to the secretary-treasurer the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) upon issuance of a new license.

Sec. 11. Inconsistent acts repealed.—All acts and parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 12. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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