

Amend SB 211 by adding the following SECTIONS, appropriately numbered, and renumbering the subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION __. Section 201.312, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 201.312. REGISTRATION [~~ACCREDITATION~~] OF FACILITIES.

(a) The board by rule shall adopt requirements for registering [~~licensing and regulating~~] chiropractic facilities as necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare.

(b) The rules adopted under this section must:

(1) specify the registration [~~licensing~~] requirements for a chiropractic facility;

(2) prescribe the standards for the chiropractic [~~structure of the~~] facility registration [~~licensing~~] program; [~~and~~]

(3) provide for the issuance of a separate certificate of registration [~~one facility license~~] to an owner of a chiropractic facility for each chiropractic facility owned by the owner; and

(4) provide for the board to send notice to an owner of a chiropractic facility and to each chiropractor practicing in the facility of the impending expiration of the facility's certificate of registration before the expiration of the certificate.

(c) The standards adopted under Subsection (b)(2) must be consistent with industry standards for the practice of chiropractic.

(d) To register a chiropractic facility, the owner of the facility must:

(1) file with the board a written application for registration; and

(2) pay, with the application, a registration fee in an amount set by the board not to exceed \$75.

(e) The board may issue a certificate of registration only to a chiropractic facility that complies with the requirements of this section.

(f) A certificate of registration under this section must be renewed annually. To renew the certificate, the certificate holder

shall apply to the board and pay an annual fee equal to the amount of the registration fee under Subsection (d)(2).

(g) A person licensed to practice chiropractic in this state is subject to disciplinary action under this chapter if the person practices chiropractic in a chiropractic facility that the person knows is not registered under this section.

(h) An owner of a chiropractic facility who violates this section or a rule adopted under this section is subject to disciplinary action by the board in the same manner as a license holder who violates this chapter or a rule adopted under this chapter.

SECTION _____. Not later than January 1, 2004, the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners shall adopt rules under Section 201.503, Occupations Code, specifying the maximum amount of sanctions that may be assessed against a chiropractor for violating Subsection (g), Section 201.312, Occupations Code, as added by this Act.