

By: Perry

S.B. No. 1544

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the practice of chiropractic.

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

SECTION 1. Section 201.002(b), Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A person practices chiropractic under this chapter if the person:

(1) uses objective or subjective means to analyze, examine, ~~or~~ evaluate, or diagnose the biomechanical condition of the spine and musculoskeletal system of the human body;

(2) performs nonsurgical, nonincisive procedures, including adjustment and manipulation, to improve the subluxation complex or the biomechanics of the musculoskeletal system;

(3) in the course of practicing as provided by Subdivisions (1) and (2), identifies and provisionally diagnoses a disease or condition for which treatment by the practice of chiropractic is contraindicated and for the purpose of referring a patient to another health care practitioner;

(4) represents to the public that the person is a chiropractor; or

(5) ~~(4)~~ uses the term "chiropractor," "chiropractic," "doctor of chiropractic," "D.C.," or any derivative of those terms or initials in connection with the person's name.

1           SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.