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A BILL

To amend section 4734.15 of the Revised Code to
authorize chiropractors to engage in certain
activities involving nutrition-related items and
therapies, nonprescription drugs, and medical
goods and devices.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 4734.15 of the Revised Code be
amended to read as follows:

Sec. 4734.15. (A) The license provided for in this chapter
shall entitle the holder thereof to practice chiropractic in
this state. All of the following apply to the practice of
chiropractic in this state:

(1) A chiropractor is authorized to examine, diagnose, and
assume responsibility for the care of patients, any or all of
which is included in the practice of chiropractic.

(2) A chiropractor may administer, sell, distribute,
recommend, or provide advice regarding any of the following to
restore or maintain the health of the chiropractor's patients:

vitamins, minerals, phytonutrients, antioxidants, enzymes, 18
glandular extracts, botanical substances, herbal therapies, 19
homeopathic remedies, drugs that are available without a 20
prescription, or durable and nondurable medical goods and 21
devices. The authority of a chiropractor to engage in these 22
activities does not affect the authority of any other health 23
care professional, including a dietitian licensed under Chapter 24
4759. of the Revised Code, to engage in any of the same 25
activities. 26

(3) The practice of chiropractic does not permit a 27
chiropractor to ~~treat~~ do any of the following: 28

(a) Treat infectious, contagious, or venereal disease, ~~to~~ 29
~~perform;~~ 30

(b) Perform surgery, ~~or to prescribe or administer;~~ 31

(c) Prescribe drugs for treatment, as defined in section 32
4729.01 of the Revised Code; 33

(d) Administer dangerous drugs, as defined in section 34
4729.01 of the Revised Code. 35

~~(3)~~(4) Except as provided in division (B) of this section, 36
the practice of chiropractic does not permit a chiropractor to 37
perform acupuncture. 38

~~(4)~~(5) A chiropractor may use roentgen rays only for 39
diagnostic purposes. 40

~~(5)~~(6) The practice of chiropractic does not include the 41
performance of abortions. 42

(B) A chiropractor who holds a valid certificate to 43
practice acupuncture issued under section 4734.283 of the 44
Revised Code is authorized to perform acupuncture. 45

(C) An individual holding a valid, current license to 46
practice chiropractic is entitled to use the title "doctor," 47
"doctor of chiropractic," "chiropractic physician," or 48
"~~chiropractic~~chiropractor" and is a "physician" for the purposes 49
of Chapter 4123. of the Revised Code. 50

Section 2. That existing section 4734.15 of the Revised 51
Code is hereby repealed. 52