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Sub. H. B. No. 374

Representatives Plummer, Manchester Cosponsor: Representative Manning, G.

A BILL

| То | amend sections 503.40, 503.41, 503.42, 503.43, | 1 |
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| | 503.44, 503.47, 503.48, 503.49, 503.50, 715.61, | 2 |
| | 2927.17, 4731.04, 4731.15, and 4731.41; to enact | 3 |
| | section 503.411; and to repeal sections 503.45 | 4 |
| | and 503.46 of the Revised Code to make changes | 5 |
| | to the massage therapy licensing law. | 6 |

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

| Section 1 . That sections 503.40, 503.41, 503.42, 503.43, | 7 |
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| 503.44, 503.47, 503.48, 503.49, 503.50, 715.61, 2927.17, | 8 |
| 4731.04, 4731.15, and 4731.41 be amended and section 503.411 of | 9 |
| the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: | 10 |
| Sec. 503.40. As used in sections 503.40 to 503.49 of the | 11 |
| Revised Code: | 12 |
| (A) "Massage therapy" means any method of exerting | 13 |
| pressure on, stroking, kneading, rubbing, tapping, pounding, | 14 |
| vibrating, or stimulating the external soft tissue of the body- | 15 |
| with the hands, or with the aid of any mechanical or electrical | 16 |
| apparatus or appliance has the same meaning as in section | 17 |
| 4731.04 of the Revised Code. | 18 |

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| registration requirements, and amendments under this section | 48 |
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| only after public hearing at not fewer than two regular sessions | 49 |
| of the board. The board shall cause to be published in a | 50 |
| newspaper of general circulation in the township, or as provided | 51 |
| in section 7.16 of the Revised Code, notice of the public | 52 |
| hearings, including the time, date, and place, once a week for | 53 |
| two weeks immediately preceding the hearings. The board shall | 54 |
| make available proposed <u>establishment</u> regulations, registration | 55 |
| requirements, or amendments to the public at the office of the | 56 |
| board. | 57 |

(C) Regulations Establishment regulations, registration requirements, or amendments adopted by the board are effective thirty days after the date of adoption unless, within thirty days after the adoption of the regulations, requirements, or amendments, the township fiscal officer receives a petition, signed by a number of qualified electors residing in the unincorporated area of the township equal to not less than ten per cent of the total vote cast for all candidates for governor in the area at the most recent general election at which a governor was elected, requesting the board to submit the regulations, requirements, or amendments to the electors of the area for approval or rejection at the next primary or general election occurring at least ninety days after the board receives the petition.

No <u>establishment</u> regulation, registration requirement, or amendment for which the referendum vote has been requested is effective unless a majority of the votes cast on the issue is in favor of the regulation, requirement, or amendment. Upon certification by the board of elections that a majority of the votes cast on the issue was in favor of the regulation, requirement, or amendment, the regulation, requirement, or

| amendment takes immediate effect. | 79 |
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| (D) The board shall make available establishment | 80 |
| regulations and registration requirements it adopts or amends to | 81 |
| the public at the office of the board and shall cause to be | 82 |
| published once a notice of the availability of the regulations | 83 |
| and requirements in a newspaper of general circulation in the | 84 |
| township within ten days after their adoption or amendment. | 85 |
| (E) Nothing in sections 503.40 to 503.49 of the Revised | 86 |
| Code shall be construed to allow a board of township trustees to | 87 |
| <u>license</u> any massage therapist or otherwise regulate the practice | 88 |
| of any limited branch of medicine specified in section 4731.15 | 89 |
| of the Revised Code or the practice of providing therapeutic | 90 |
| massage by a licensed physician, a licensed podiatrist, a | 91 |
| licensed chiropractor, a licensed podiatrist, a licensed nurse, | 92 |
| or any other licensed health professional. As | 93 |
| As used in this division, "licensed" means licensed, | 94 |
| certified, or registered to practice in this state. | 95 |
| Sec. 503.411. If a board of township trustees has adopted | 96 |
| a resolution under section 503.41 of the Revised Code to | 97 |
| regulate massage establishments, all of the following apply: | 98 |
| (A) The massage establishment regulations shall include a | 99 |
| requirement that all massage therapy performed in a massage | 100 |
| establishment be performed by a person who meets one or more of | 101 |
| the following conditions and that does not exclude any such | 102 |
| <pre>person:</pre> | 103 |
| (1) Is licensed by the state cosmetology and barber board, | 104 |
| or its predecessors or successors, and provides massage therapy | 105 |
| as a portion of, and incidental to, barber services in | 106 |
| accordance with Chapter 4700 of the Povised Code or cosmetalogy | 107 |

as determined by the state medical board.

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resolution under section 503.41 of the Revised Code that includes a permit requirement to operate a massage establishment:

(A) No person shall engage in, conduct or carry on, or permit to be engaged in, conducted or carried on in the unincorporated areas of the township, the operation of operate a massage establishment in the unincorporated areas of a township without first having obtained a permit from the board of township trustees as provided in section 503.43 of the Revised Code.

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| (B) No individual shall act as a masseur or masseuse for a | 166 |
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| massage establishment located in the unincorporated areas of the | 167 |
| township without first having obtained a license from the board- | 168 |
| of township trustees as provided in section 503.45 of the | 169 |
| Revised Code. | 170 |
| (C)—No owner or operator of a massage establishment | 171 |
| located in the unincorporated <u>areas</u> of the township shall | 172 |
| knowingly do any of the following: | 173 |
| (1) Employ an unlicensed masseur or masseuse as a massage | 174 |
| therapist a person who does not meet one of the criteria listed | 175 |
| in division (A) of section 503.411 of the Revised Code; | 176 |
| (2) Refuse to allow appropriate state or local | 177 |
| authorities, including police officers, access to the massage | 178 |
| establishment for any health or safety inspection conducted | 179 |
| pursuant to a <u>massage establishment</u> regulation <u>or massage</u> | 180 |
| therapist registration requirement adopted by the township under | 181 |
| section 503.41 of the Revised Code; | 182 |
| (3) Operate during the hours designated as prohibited | 183 |
| hours of operation by the board of township trustees; | 184 |
| (4) Employ any person under the age of eighteen. | 185 |
| (D) No person employed in a massage establishment located | 186 |
| in the unincorporated area of the township shall knowingly do- | 187 |
| any of the following in the performance of duties at the massage | 188 |
| establishment: | 189 |
| (1) Place his or her hand upon, touch with any part of his | 190 |
| or her body, fondle in any manner, or massage the sexual or | 191 |
| genital area of any other person; | 192 |
| (2) Perform, offer, or agree to perform any act which | 193 |

| (C) The full name and address of any person applying for a | 222 |
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| permit, including any partner or limited partner of a | 223 |
| partnership applicant, any officer or director of a corporate | 224 |
| applicant, and any stock holder holding more than two per cent | 225 |
| of the stock of a corporate applicant having less than a total | 226 |
| of fifty employees or any stock holder holding more than twenty- | 227 |
| five per cent of the stock of a corporate applicant having more | 228 |
| than a total of fifty employees, the date of birth and social | 229 |
| security number of each individual, and the federal | 230 |
| identification number of any partnership or corporation; | 231 |
| (D) Authorization for an investigation into the criminal | 232 |
| record of any person applying for a permit; | 233 |
| (E) Proof that the massage establishment fully complies | 234 |
| with any applicable zoning resolution and amendments to the | 235 |
| resolution adopted by the board under Chapter 519. of the | 236 |
| Revised Code; | 237 |
| (F) Any other information determined by the board to be | 238 |
| necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the township | 239 |
| residents, subject to division (E) of section 503.41 of the | 240 |
| Revised Code. | 241 |
| A permit issued under this section to a massage | 242 |
| establishment shall expire one year after the date of issuance, | 243 |
| except that no massage establishment shall be required to | 244 |
| discontinue business because of the failure of the board to act | 245 |
| on a renewal application filed in a timely manner and pending | 246 |
| before the board on the expiration date of the establishment's | 247 |
| permit. Each permit shall contain the name of the applicant, the | 248 |
| address of the massage establishment, and the expiration date of | 249 |
| the permit. | 250 |

| Sec. 503.44. If a board of township trustees has adopted a | 251 |
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| resolution under section 503.41 of the Revised Code that | 252 |
| includes a permit requirement to operate a massage | 253 |
| establishment, it shall deny any application for a permit to | 254 |
| operate a massage establishment or revoke, at any time, a | 255 |
| previously issued permit, for any of the following reasons: | 256 |
| (A) Falsification of any of the information required for | 257 |
| the application or failure to fully complete the application; | 258 |
| (B) Failure to cooperate with any required health or | 259 |
| safety inspection; | 260 |
| (C) Any one of the persons named on the application is | 261 |
| under the age of eighteen; | 262 |
| (D) Any one of the persons named on the application has | 263 |
| been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any violation of Chapter | 264 |
| 2907. of the Revised Code, or \underline{any} violation of any municipal | 265 |
| ordinance that is substantially equivalent to any offense | 266 |
| contained in Chapter 2907. of the Revised Code, within five | 267 |
| years preceding the application+ | 268 |
| (E) Any masseur or masseuse employed at the licensed | 269 |
| massage establishment has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to- | 270 |
| a violation of division (D) of section 503.42 of the Revised | 271 |
| Code . | 272 |
| Sec. 503.47. If a board of township trustees has adopted a | 273 |
| resolution under section 503.41 of the Revised Code that | 274 |
| includes a permit requirement to operate a massage | 275 |
| <u>establishment</u> , the regulations adopted for that purpose may | 276 |
| require any of the following: | 277 |
| (A) A massage establishment to display its current permit | 278 |
| in an area open to the public; | 279 |

| (B) Each massager A massage establishment to display the | 280 |
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| massager's license massage therapists' licenses to practice at | 281 |
| all times in the areas of the massage establishment where the | 282 |
| licensee is providing massages massage therapy is provided; | 283 |
| (C) Massage establishments to undergo periodic health and | 284 |
| safety inspections to determine continual compliance with | 285 |
| applicable health and safety codes; | 286 |
| (D) Massagers to undergo periodic physical examinations | 287 |
| performed by a licensed physician, a physician assistant, a | 288 |
| clinical nurse specialist, a certified nurse practitioner, or a | 289 |
| certified nurse-midwife certifying that the massager continues- | 290 |
| to be free from communicable diseases; | 291 |
| (E)—Any other requirement reasonably thought necessary by | 292 |
| the board for the health, safety, and welfare of township | 293 |
| residents, subject to division (E) of section 503.41 of the | 294 |
| Revised Code. | 295 |
| Sec. 503.48. A board of township trustees acting under | 296 |
| sections 503.40 to 503.49 of the Revised Code that has adopted a | 297 |
| resolution under section 503.41 of the Revised Code need not | 298 |
| hold any hearing in connection with an order denying or revoking | 299 |
| a permit to operate a massage establishment—or masseur or— | 300 |
| masseuse license. The board shall maintain a complete record of | 301 |
| each proceeding and shall notify the applicant in writing of its | 302 |
| order. Any person adversely affected by an order of the board | 303 |
| denying or revoking a permit to operate a massage establishment | 304 |
| or masseur or masseuse license may appeal from the order of the | 305 |
| board to the court of common pleas of the county in which the | 306 |
| township is located, the place of business of the permit holder | 307 |
| is located, or the person is a resident. The appeal shall be in | 308 |
| accordance with Chapter 2506. of the Revised Code. | 309 |

| Sec. 503.49. If a board of township trustees has adopted a | 310 |
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| resolution under section 503.41 of the Revised Code that | 311 |
| includes a permit requirement to operate a massage | 312 |
| establishment, the board shall deposit the fees collected by the | 313 |
| township for massage establishment permits and masseur and | 314 |
| masseuse licenses in the township general fund and first use the | 315 |
| fees for the cost of administering and enforcing massage | 316 |
| <u>establishment</u> regulations <u>and massage therapist registration</u> | 317 |
| <u>requirements</u> adopted under section 503.41 of the Revised Code. | 318 |
| Sec. 503.50. (A) Whoever violates division (A) $\overline{\text{or }(B)}$ of | 319 |
| section 503.42 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of | 320 |
| the first degree. | 321 |
| (B) Whoever violates <u>division</u> (B) of section 503.411 or | 322 |
| division—(C), (D), or (E)_(B) of section 503.42 of the Revised | 323 |
| Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree. | 324 |
| Sec. 715.61. (A) As used in this section: | 325 |
| (1) "Massage establishment" has the same meaning as in | 326 |
| section 503.40 of the Revised Code. | 327 |
| (2) "Massage therapy" has the same meaning as in section | 328 |
| 4731.04 of the Revised Code. | 329 |
| (B) Any municipal corporation may regulate and license | 330 |
| manufacturers and dealers in explosives, chattel mortgage and | 331 |
| salary loan brokers, peddlers, public ballrooms, scavengers, | 332 |
| intelligence officers, billiard rooms, bowling alleys, livery, | 333 |
| sale, and boarding stables, dancing or riding academies or | 334 |
| schools, race courses, ball grounds, street musicians, | 335 |
| secondhand dealers, junk shops, and all persons engaged in the | 336 |
| trade, business, or profession of manicuring, massaging, or | 337 |
| chiropody. In the granting of any license a municipal | 338 |

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physician training programs of the federation of provincial

medical licensing authorities of Canada;

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| (4) A residency program conducted in Canada and accredited | 395 |
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| by either the royal college of physicians and surgeons of Canada | 396 |
| or the college of family physicians of Canada. | 397 |
| (D) "Massage therapy" means the treatment of disorders of | 398 |
| the human body by the manipulation of soft tissue through the | 399 |
| systematic external application of massage techniques including | 400 |
| touch, stroking, friction, vibration, percussion, kneading, | 401 |
| stretching, compression, and joint movements within the normal | 402 |
| physiologic range of motion; and adjunctive thereto, the | 403 |
| external application of water, heat, cold, topical preparations, | 404 |
| and mechanical devices. | 405 |
| "Massage therapy" does not include the manipulation of the | 406 |
| reproductive organs, perineum, rectum, or anus unless the action | 407 |
| is undertaken pursuant to a prescription issued by a person who | 408 |
| is authorized under this chapter to practice medicine and | 409 |
| surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery or the action is | 410 |
| performed under the supervision of such a physician. | 411 |
| (E) "Reflexology" means a protocol of manual techniques | 412 |
| that are applied to specific reflex areas on the feet, hands, | 413 |
| and outer ears for the purpose of stimulating the complex neural | 414 |
| pathways linking body systems to achieve optimal body function. | 415 |
| Manual techniques include thumb- and finger-walking, as well as | 416 |
| hook and backup and rotating-on-a-point. | 417 |
| Sec. 4731.15. (A) The state medical board also shall | 418 |
| regulate the following limited branches of medicine: massage | 419 |
| therapy and cosmetic therapy, and to the extent specified in | 420 |
| section 4731.151 of the Revised Code, naprapathy and | 421 |
| mechanotherapy. The board shall adopt rules governing the | 422 |
| limited branches of medicine under its jurisdiction. The rules | 423 |
| shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised | 424 |

| Code. | 425 |
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| (B) A license to practice a limited branch of medicine | 426 |
| issued by the state medical board is valid for a two-year period | 427 |
| unless revoked or suspended and expires on the date that is two | 428 |
| years after the date of issuance. The license may be renewed for | 429 |
| additional two-year periods in accordance with division (C) of | 430 |
| this section. | 431 |
| (C) Both of the following apply with respect to the | 432 |
| renewal of licenses to practice a limited branch of medicine: | 433 |
| (1) Each person seeking to renew a license to practice a | 434 |
| limited branch of medicine shall apply for biennial renewal with | 435 |
| the state medical board in a manner prescribed by the board. An | 436 |
| applicant for renewal shall pay a biennial renewal fee of one | 437 |
| hundred dollars. | 438 |
| (2) At least one month before a license expires, the board | 439 |
| shall provide a renewal notice to the license holder. | 440 |
| (D) All persons who hold a license to practice a limited | 441 |
| branch of medicine issued by the state medical board shall | 442 |
| provide the board notice of any change of address. The notice | 443 |
| shall be submitted to the board not later than thirty days after | 444 |
| the change of address. | 445 |
| (E) A license to practice a limited branch of medicine | 446 |
| shall be automatically suspended if the license holder fails to | 447 |
| renew the license in accordance with division (C) of this | 448 |
| section. Continued practice after the suspension of the license | 449 |
| to practice shall be considered as practicing in violation of | 450 |
| sections 4731.34 and 4731.41 of the Revised Code. | 451 |
| If a license has been suspended pursuant to this division | 452 |
| for two years or less, it may be reinstated. The board shall | 453 |

| reinstate the license upon an applicant's submission of a | 454 |
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| renewal application and payment of a reinstatement fee of one | 455 |
| hundred twenty-five dollars. With regard to reinstatement of a | 456 |
| license to practice cosmetic therapy, the applicant also shall | 457 |
| submit with the application a certification that the number of | 458 |
| hours of continuing education necessary to have a suspended | 459 |
| license reinstated have been completed, as specified in rules | 460 |
| the board shall adopt in accordance with Chapter 119. of the | 461 |
| Revised Code. | 462 |
| If a license has been suspended pursuant to this division | 463 |
| for more than two years, it may be restored. Subject to section | 464 |
| 4731.222 of the Revised Code, the board may restore the license | 465 |
| upon an applicant's submission of a restoration application and | 466 |
| a restoration fee of one hundred fifty dollars and compliance | 467 |
| with sections 4776.01 to 4776.04 of the Revised Code. The board | 468 |
| shall not restore to an applicant a license to practice unless | 469 |
| the board, in its discretion, decides that the results of the | 470 |
| criminal records check do not make the applicant ineligible for | 471 |
| a license issued pursuant to section 4731.17 of the Revised | 472 |
| Code. | 473 |
| (F) The following persons are not required to hold a | 474 |
| license to practice massage therapy issued under this chapter: | 475 |
| (1) A person authorized to practice under Chapter 4709., | 476 |
| 4713., 4723., 4730., 4734., 4755., or 4762. of the Revised Code, | 477 |
| provided that the scope of practice authorizes the person to use | 478 |
| <pre>massage techniques;</pre> | 479 |
| (2) An enrolled student practicing massage therapy as part | 480 |
| of a program of study at a school, college, or institution in | 481 |
| good standing as determined by the board in accordance with | 482 |
| division (A) of section 4731 16 of the Revised Code: | 483 |

| (3) A person holding a license to practice cosmetic | 484 |
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| therapy issued under this chapter and whose practice may include | 485 |
| massage techniques; | 486 |
| (4) A person who holds a certification issued by the | 487 |
| American reflexology certification board or its successor and | 488 |
| who practices reflexology in this state; | 489 |
| (5) An enrolled student practicing reflexology as part of | 490 |
| a program of study at a school, college, or institution with a | 491 |
| certificate of registration issued by the state board of career | 492 |
| colleges and schools under section 3332.05 of the Revised Code. | 493 |
| Sec. 4731.41. (A) No Except as provided in division (F) of | 494 |
| section 4731.15 of the Revised Code, no person shall practice | 495 |
| medicine and surgery, or any of its branches, without the | 496 |
| appropriate license or certificate from the state medical board | 497 |
| to engage in the practice. No person shall advertise or claim to | 498 |
| the public to be a practitioner of medicine and surgery, or any | 499 |
| of its branches, without a license or certificate from the | 500 |
| board. No person shall open or conduct an office or other place | 501 |
| for such practice without a license or certificate from the | 502 |
| board. No person shall conduct an office in the name of some | 503 |
| person who has a license or certificate to practice medicine and | 504 |
| surgery, or any of its branches. No person shall practice | 505 |
| medicine and surgery, or any of its branches, after the person's | 506 |
| license or certificate has been revoked, or, if suspended, | 507 |
| during the time of such suspension. | 508 |
| A license or certificate signed by the secretary of the | 509 |
| board to which is affixed the official seal of the board to the | 510 |
| effect that it appears from the records of the board that no | 511 |
| such license or certificate to practice medicine and surgery, or | 512 |
| any of its branches, in this state has been issued to the person | 513 |

| specified therein, or that a license or certificate to practice, | 514 |
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| if issued, has been revoked or suspended, shall be received as | 515 |
| prima-facie evidence of the record of the board in any court or | 516 |
| before any officer of the state. | 517 |
| (B) No license or certificate from the state medical board | 518 |
| is required by a physician who comes into this state to practice | 519 |
| medicine at a free-of-charge camp accredited by the SeriousFun | 520 |
| children's network that specializes in providing therapeutic | 521 |
| recreation, as defined in section 2305.231 of the Revised Code, | 522 |
| for individuals with chronic illnesses as long as all of the | 523 |
| following apply: | 524 |
| (1) The physician provides documentation to the medical | 525 |
| director of the camp that the physician is licensed and in good | 526 |
| standing to practice medicine in another state; | 527 |
| (2) The physician provides services only at the camp or in | 528 |
| connection with camp events or camp activities that occur off | 529 |
| the grounds of the camp; | 530 |
| (3) The physician receives no compensation for the | 531 |
| services; | 532 |
| (4) The physician provides those services within this | 533 |
| state for not more than thirty days per calendar year; | 534 |
| (5) The camp has a medical director who holds an | 535 |
| unrestricted license to practice medicine issued in accordance | 536 |
| with division (A) of this section. | 537 |
| (C) Division (A) of this section does not apply to a | 538 |
| person who meets both of the following conditions: | 539 |
| (1) The person holds in good standing a valid license to | 540 |
| practice medicine and surgery issued by another state. | 541 |

Code are hereby repealed.

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| (2) The person is practicing as a volunteer without | 542 |
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| remuneration during a charitable event that lasts not more than | 543 |
| seven days. | 544 |
| When a person meets the conditions of this division, the | 545 |
| person shall be deemed authorized by the state medical board, | 546 |
| during the course of the charitable event, to practice medicine | 547 |
| and surgery and shall be subject to the provisions of this | 548 |
| chapter authorizing the board to take disciplinary action | 549 |
| against a physician. Not less than seven calendar days before | 550 |
| the first day of the charitable event, the person or the event's | 551 |
| organizer shall notify the board of the person's intent to | 552 |
| practice medicine and surgery at the event. During the course of | 553 |
| the charitable event, the person's scope of practice is limited | 554 |
| to the procedures that a physician authorized under this chapter | 555 |
| to practice medicine and surgery is authorized to perform unless | 556 |
| the person's scope of practice in the other state is more | 557 |
| restrictive than in this state. If the latter is the case, the | 558 |
| person's scope of practice is limited to the procedures that a | 559 |
| physician in the other state may perform. | 560 |
| Section 2. That existing sections 503.40, 503.41, 503.42, | 561 |
| 503.43, 503.44, 503.47, 503.48, 503.49, 503.50, 715.61, 2927.17, | 562 |
| 4731.04, 4731.15, and 4731.41 of the Revised Code are hereby | 563 |
| repealed. | 564 |
| Section 3. That sections 503.45 and 503.46 of the Revised | 565 |