

1 **State of Arkansas**

2 **79th General Assembly**

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4 **By: Representative Newman**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL**

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## 7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ONLY THOSE PERSONS LICENSED AS  
9 CHIROPRACTORS, OSTEOPATHS AND ORTHOPEDIC SURGEONS SHALL  
10 ENGAGE IN ANY ACTIVITY THAT IS DEFINED AS THE PRACTICE OF  
11 CHIROPRACTIC; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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## **Subtitle**

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15 OSTEOPATHS AND ORTHOPEDIC SURGEONS SHALL ENGAGE IN THE  
16 PRACTICE OF CHIROPRACTIC."

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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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20 SECTION 1. For the purposes of this act, the term "practice of  
21 chiropractic" means the engagement for compensation in the diagnosis and  
22 analysis of any interference with normal nerve transmission and expression,  
23 and the procedure preparatory to and complementary to the correction thereof  
24 by an adjustment of the articulations of the vertebral column, its immediate  
25 articulations, including spinal adjustments, spinal manipulations, and spinal  
26 mobilizations, such as any type of pressure, force, thrust, or passive  
27 movement, singular or plural, applied to the spinal vertebrae or their  
28 adjacent articulations by hand or mechanical device or by other incidental  
29 adjustments, including extremity articulations, for the restoration and  
30 maintenance of health. The practice of chiropractic includes therapy, the  
31 normal regimen, and rehabilitation of the patient for the purpose of removing  
32 any injury, deformity, or abnormality of human beings without the use of drugs  
33 or surgery.

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35 SECTION 2. Only those persons licensed as chiropractors under Arkansas

1 Code Title 17 Chapter 80, those licensed as osteopaths under Arkansas Code  
2 Title 17, Chapter 90, and those board certified orthopedic physicians licensed  
3 under Arkansas Code Title 17, Chapter 93, shall engage in the practice of  
4 chiropractic as defined herein.

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6 SECTION 3. Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be  
7 guilty of a Class A misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished  
8 accordingly. In addition, any such violation shall be grounds for revoking any  
9 health professional license held by such person.

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11 SECTION 4. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
12 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
13 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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15 SECTION 5. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
16 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
17 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
18 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
19 act are declared to be severable.

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21 SECTION 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
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