

Senate Bill 521

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

SUMMARY

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Adds evaluation, diagnosis and treatment of subluxation to definition of "chiropractic."

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the practice of chiropractic; amending ORS 684.010.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 684.010 is amended to read:

684.010. As used in this chapter:

(1) "Active senior" means a person who:

(a) Is licensed under ORS 684.054;

(b) Is at least 60 years of age; and

(c) Has been in practice for 25 years or more.

(2) "Chiropractic" [*is defined as:*] **means:**

(a) [*That*] **The** system of adjusting with the hands the articulations of the bony framework of the human body, and the employment and practice of physiotherapy, electrotherapy, hydrotherapy and minor surgery.

(b) The [*chiropractic*] diagnosis, treatment and prevention of body dysfunction; correction, maintenance of the structural and functional integrity of the neuro-musculoskeletal system and the effects thereof or interferences therewith by the utilization of [*all recognized and accepted chiropractic*] diagnostic procedures **recognized and accepted by the chiropractic profession** and the employment of all rational therapeutic measures [*as*] taught in approved chiropractic colleges.

(c) **The preservation and restoration of health, focusing particular attention on the evaluation, diagnosis and treatment of subluxation through the use of procedures that are based on rational and empirical evidence. The procedures may include, but are not limited to, specific spinal adjustments, spinal manipulation or spinal mobilization. For purposes of this paragraph, "subluxation" means a complex of functional, structural and pathological articular changes that compromise neural integrity and can influence organ system function and general health.**

(3) "Chiropractic physician" means a person licensed by ORS 677.060, 684.025, 684.100, 684.155 or 688.010 to 688.201 and this section as an attending physician.

(4) "Drugs" means all medicines and preparations and all substances, except over-the-counter nonprescription substances, food, water and nutritional supplements taken orally, used or intended to be used for the diagnosis, cure, treatment, mitigation or prevention of diseases or abnormalities of humans, which are recognized in the latest editions of the official United States Pharmacopoeia, official Homeopathic Pharmacopoeia, official National Formulary, or any supplement to any of them,

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 or otherwise established as drugs.

2 (5) "Impaired chiropractic physician" means a chiropractic physician unable to practice
3 chiropractic with reasonable skill and safety by reason of habitual or excessive use or abuse of
4 drugs, alcohol or other substances that impair ability.

5 (6) "Minor surgery" means the use of electrical or other methods for the surgical repair and
6 care incident thereto of superficial lacerations and abrasions, benign superficial lesions, and the
7 removal of foreign bodies located in the superficial structures; and the use of antiseptics and local
8 anesthetics in connection therewith.

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