

I oppose trying to regulate reiki and similar alternative healing modalities. I understand the temptation to try to regulate and define reiki as it moves more into the mainstream and is used in more official medical settings in the US - but I think that the general medical understanding of reiki is currently very limited, and to try to regulate it would have a devastating effect on the reiki and alternative healing community. Trying to define and regulate something that is so poorly understood and regarded as fakery by a large portion of the mainstream medical community is a two edged sword - on the one hand, official regulation could potentially provide some legitimacy for the practice, which I suspect is the point. But the probability of creating a terrible mess for the community by inept and poorly constructed regulations created by people who have zero understanding of the practice is a very real and likely danger. Please do NOT pass legislation trying to regulate reiki and similar healing modalities.