

# HOUSE BILL 1527

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By: **Delegate Arikan**

Introduced and read first time: February 13, 2026

Assigned to: Health

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Complementary and Alternative Health Care – Practice Authorized**  
3 **(Complementary and Alternative Health Care Practice Act)**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing an individual to practice complementary or alternative  
5 health care in the State without obtaining a license, certification, or authorization  
6 issued under certain provisions of law; establishing certain requirements and  
7 limitations regarding the practice of complementary or alternative health care;  
8 providing that certain provisions of this Act do not waive certain claims for relief;  
9 and generally relating to complementary and alternative health care practitioners.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

11 Article – Health Occupations

12 Section 1A–101(a) and (d), 2–101(a) and (c), 3–101(a) and (b), 4–101(a) and (b),  
13 5–101(a) and (b), 6–101(a) and (b), 8–101(a) and (d), 9–101(a) and (d),  
14 10–101(a) and (d), 11–101(a) and (b), 12–101(a) and (d), 13–101(a) and (b),  
15 14–101(a) and (b), 15–101(a) and (c), 16–101(a) and (b), 17–101(a) and (e),  
16 18–101(a) and (b), 19–101(a) and (b), 20–101(a) and (c), and 21–101(a) and (b)

17 Annotated Code of Maryland

18 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

19 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

20 Article – Health Occupations

21 Section 1A–301(a), 2–301(a)(1), 3–301(b), 4–301(a), 4–505(c) and (d), 5–301(a),  
22 6–301(a), 8–301(a) through (c), 8–6A–02(a) and (f), 8–6B–07(a), 8–6C–06(a),  
23 8–6D–02(a), 9–301(a), 9–3A–01(a), 10–301(a), 11–301(a), 11–404.1, 12–301(a),  
24 12–6B–01(a), 12–6D–02, 13–301(a), 14–301, 14–5A–08(a), 14–5B–08(a)(1),  
25 14–5C–08(a), 14–5D–07(a), 14–5E–08(a), 14–5F–10(a), 14–5G–08(a),  
26 15–301(d)(1), 16–301, 17–301(a), 17–401, 17–6A–10(a), 18–301(a), 19–301(a),  
27 20–301(a)(1) and (b)(1), and 21–301(a)

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 BY adding to  
2 Article – Health Occupations  
3 Section 22–101 through 22–204 to be under the new title “Title 22. Complementary  
4 and Alternative Health Care Practitioners”  
5 Annotated Code of Maryland  
6 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

7 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
8 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

9 **Article – Health Occupations**

10 1A–101.

11 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

12 (d) “Board” means the State Acupuncture Board.

13 1A–301.

14 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an  
15 individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice acupuncture  
16 in this State.

17 2–101.

18 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

19 (c) “Board” means the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid  
20 Dispensers, Speech–Language Pathologists, and Music Therapists.

21 2–301.

22 (a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22–201 OF THIS**  
23 **ARTICLE**, an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice  
24 audiology, hearing aid dispensing, speech–language pathology, or music therapy, or assist  
25 in the practice of speech–language pathology or audiology in this State.

26 3–101.

27 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

28 (b) “Board” means the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

29 3–301.

1 (b) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an  
2 individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice chiropractic in  
3 this State.

4 4–101.

5 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

6 (b) “Board” means the State Board of Dental Examiners.

7 4–301.

8 (a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22–201 OF THIS**  
9 **ARTICLE**, an individual shall be licensed by the Board to practice dentistry before the  
10 individual may practice dentistry on a human being in this State.

11 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22–201 OF THIS**  
12 **ARTICLE**, an individual shall be licensed by the Board to practice dental hygiene before the  
13 individual may practice dental hygiene on a human being in this State.

14 4–505.

15 (c) [After July 1, 1988] **EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**,  
16 an individual must be certified by the Board as a dental radiation technologist before a  
17 licensed dentist may employ the individual to practice dental radiation technology.

18 (d) [After July 1, 1988] **EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**,  
19 an individual may not practice dental radiation technology unless certified by the Board.

20 5–101.

21 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

22 (b) “Board” means the State Board of Dietetic Practice.

23 5–301.

24 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**,  
25 an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice dietetics in  
26 the State.

27 6–101.

28 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

29 (b) “Board” means the State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners.

1 6–301.

2 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**,  
3 before an individual may practice massage therapy in the State, the individual shall be:

4 (1) On or before October 31, 2026:

5 (i) Licensed by the Board; or

6 (ii) Registered by the Board to practice massage therapy in a setting  
7 that is not a health care setting; or

8 (2) On or after November 1, 2026, licensed by the Board.

9 8–101.

10 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

11 (d) “Board” means the State Board of Nursing.

12 8–301.

13 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an  
14 individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice registered  
15 nursing in this State.

16 (b) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an  
17 individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice licensed  
18 practical nursing in this State.

19 (c) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an  
20 individual shall be certified as an advanced practice registered nurse before the individual  
21 may practice advanced practice registered nursing in this State.

22 8–6A–02.

23 (a) Subject to subsection (f) of this section and except as otherwise provided in  
24 this subtitle **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an individual shall be certified by the Board  
25 to practice as a nursing assistant, dialysis technician, or medication technician before the  
26 individual may practice as a nursing assistant, dialysis technician, or medication  
27 technician in the State.

28 (f) **[An] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE, AN** individual  
29 shall be certified by the Board to practice as a nursing assistant and as a dialysis technician

1 before the individual may practice as a dialysis technician in a State-owned hospital or  
2 State-owned facility.

3 8-6B-07.

4 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle **OR § 22-201 OF THIS ARTICLE**,  
5 an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice electrology  
6 or teach an electrology education program in the State.

7 8-6C-06.

8 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle **OR § 22-201 OF THIS ARTICLE**,  
9 an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice direct-entry  
10 midwifery in the State.

11 8-6D-02.

12 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle **OR § 22-201 OF THIS ARTICLE**,  
13 an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice certified  
14 midwifery in the State.

15 9-101.

16 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

17 (d) “Board” means the State Board of Long-Term Care Administrators.

18 9-301.

19 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section **OR § 22-201 OF THIS ARTICLE**,  
20 an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice as a nursing  
21 home administrator in this State.

22 9-3A-01.

23 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle **OR § 22-201 OF THIS ARTICLE**,  
24 beginning July 1, 2026, an individual must be licensed by the Board before the individual  
25 may practice as an assisted living manager in the State.

26 10-101.

27 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

28 (d) “Board” means the State Board of Occupational Therapy Practice.

29 10-301.

1 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an  
2 individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice occupational  
3 therapy or limited occupational therapy in this State.

4 11–101.

5 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

6 (b) “Board” means the State Board of Examiners in Optometry.

7 11–301.

8 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an  
9 individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice optometry in  
10 this State.

11 11–404.1.

12 **(A) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO AN INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO**  
13 **PRACTICE OPTOMETRY IN THE STATE UNDER § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE.**

14 **[(a)] (B)** Unless certified under this section, a licensed optometrist may not  
15 administer or prescribe any therapeutic pharmaceutical agents or remove superficial  
16 foreign bodies from a human eye, adnexa, or lacrimal system.

17 **[(b)] (C)** (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Board  
18 shall certify a licensed optometrist as a therapeutically certified optometrist if the licensed  
19 optometrist submits to the Board evidence satisfactory to the Board that the licensed  
20 optometrist:

21 (i) Has successfully completed at least 110 hours of a therapeutic  
22 pharmaceutical agents course approved by the Board;

23 (ii) Has successfully passed a pharmacology examination relating to  
24 the treatment and management of ocular disease, which is prepared, administered, and  
25 graded by the National Board of Examiners in Optometry or any other nationally  
26 recognized optometric organization as approved by the Secretary;

27 (iii) Is currently certified by the Board to administer topical ocular  
28 diagnostic pharmaceutical agents under § 11–404 of this subtitle; and

29 (iv) Has successfully completed an 8–hour course in the management  
30 of topical steroids approved by the Board.

31 (2) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, an  
32 optometrist who has graduated on or after July 1, 2005 from an accredited school of

1 optometry recognized by the Board is not subject to the requirements of paragraph (1) of  
2 this subsection.

3 (ii) If an optometrist who has graduated on or after July 1, 2005 from  
4 an accredited school of optometry recognized by the Board is not certified under this section  
5 within 3 years of graduation, the optometrist shall successfully complete a therapeutic  
6 pharmaceutical agents course and successfully pass a pharmacology exam under paragraph  
7 (1) of this subsection before the Board may certify the optometrist.

8 12-101.

9 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

10 (d) "Board" means the State Board of Pharmacy.

11 12-301.

12 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22-201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an  
13 individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice pharmacy in  
14 this State.

15 12-6B-01.

16 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22-201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an  
17 individual shall be registered and approved by the Board as a pharmacy technician before  
18 the individual may perform delegated pharmacy acts.

19 12-6D-02.

20 Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22-201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an  
21 individual shall be registered and approved by the Board as a registered pharmacy intern  
22 before the individual may practice pharmacy under the direct supervision of a licensed  
23 pharmacist in accordance with this subtitle.

24 13-101.

25 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

26 (b) "Board" means the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners.

27 13-301.

28 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22-201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an  
29 individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice physical  
30 therapy or limited physical therapy in this State.

31 14-101.

1 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

2 (b) “Board” means the State Board of Physicians.

3 14–301.

4 Except as otherwise provided in this title [or], § 13–516 of the Education Article, **OR**  
5 **§ 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the  
6 individual may practice medicine in this State.

7 14–5A–08.

8 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**,  
9 an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice respiratory  
10 care in this State.

11 14–5B–08.

12 (a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle **OR § 22–201 OF THIS**  
13 **ARTICLE**, an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice  
14 radiation therapy, radiography, nuclear medicine technology, or radiology assistance in this  
15 State.

16 14–5C–08.

17 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle[, on or after October 1, 2013,]  
18 **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the  
19 individual may practice polysomnography in this State.

20 14–5D–07.

21 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**,  
22 an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice athletic  
23 training in the State.

24 14–5E–08.

25 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle[, on or after October 1, 2013,]  
26 **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the  
27 individual may practice perfusion in this State.

28 14–5F–10.

1 (a) [Beginning March 1, 2016, except] **EXCEPT** as otherwise provided in this  
2 subtitle **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an individual shall be licensed by the Board  
3 before the individual may practice naturopathic medicine in the State.

4 14–5G–08.

5 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle[, on or after January 1, 2024,]  
6 **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the  
7 individual may practice genetic counseling in the State.

8 15–101.

9 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

10 (c) “Board” means the State Board of Physicians, established under § 14–201 of  
11 this article.

12 15–301.

13 (d) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22–201 OF THIS**  
14 **ARTICLE**, an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice  
15 as a physician assistant.

16 16–101.

17 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

18 (b) “Board” means the State Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners.

19 16–301.

20 [An] **EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, AN individual shall  
21 be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice podiatry in this State.

22 17–101.

23 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

24 (e) “Board” means the State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists.

25 17–301.

26 (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this section **OR § 22–201 OF**  
27 **THIS ARTICLE**, an individual may not practice, attempt to practice, or offer to practice  
28 clinical alcohol and drug counseling, clinical marriage and family therapy, clinical

1 professional art therapy, or clinical professional counseling in the State unless licensed by  
2 the Board.

3 17-401.

4 **(A) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO AN INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO**  
5 **PRACTICE ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELING, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY,**  
6 **PROFESSIONAL ART THERAPY, OR PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING IN THE STATE**  
7 **UNDER § 22-201 OF THIS ARTICLE.**

8 **[(a)] (B)** (1) This subsection only applies to individuals certified by the Board  
9 as a certified professional counselor or certified professional counselor–marriage and family  
10 therapist on or before September 30, 2008.

11 (2) (i) An individual shall be certified as a professional counselor by the  
12 Board before the individual may:

- 13 1. Use the title “certified professional counselor”;
- 14 2. Use the initials “C.P.C.” after the name of the individual;  
15 or
- 16 3. Represent to the public that the individual is certified as  
17 a professional counselor.

18 (ii) A certificate to practice professional counseling issued by the  
19 Board authorizes the certificate holder to practice professional counseling while the  
20 certificate is effective.

21 (3) (i) An individual shall be certified as a professional  
22 counselor–marriage and family therapist by the Board before the individual may:

- 23 1. Use the title “certified professional counselor–marriage  
24 and family therapist”;
- 25 2. Use the initials “C.P.C.–M.F.T.” after the name of the  
26 individual; or
- 27 3. Represent to the public that the individual is certified as  
28 a certified professional counselor–marriage and family therapist.

29 (ii) A certificate to practice marriage and family therapy issued by  
30 the Board authorizes the certificate holder to practice marriage and family therapy while  
31 the certificate is effective.

1           **[b] (C)**     (1)   An individual shall be certified as a certified professional  
2 counselor–alcohol and drug by the Board before the individual may:

3                           (i)     Use the title “certified professional counselor–alcohol and drug”;

4                           (ii)    Use the initials “C.P.C.–A.D.” after the name of the individual;

5 or

6                           (iii)  Represent to the public that the individual is certified as a  
7 certified professional counselor–alcohol and drug.

8           (2)   An individual shall be certified as a certified associate  
9 counselor–alcohol and drug by the Board before the individual may:

10                          (i)     Use the title “certified associate counselor–alcohol and drug”;

11                          (ii)    Use the initials “C.A.C.–A.D.” after the name of the individual;

12 or

13                          (iii)  Represent to the public that the individual is certified as a  
14 certified associate counselor–alcohol and drug.

15           (3)   An individual shall be certified as a certified supervised  
16 counselor–alcohol and drug by the Board before the individual may:

17                          (i)     Use the title “certified supervised counselor–alcohol and drug”;

18                          (ii)    Use the initials “C.S.C.–A.D.” after the name of the individual;

19 or

20                          (iii)  Represent to the public that the individual is certified as a  
21 certified supervised counselor–alcohol and drug.

22           (4)   A certificate to practice alcohol and drug counseling issued by the Board  
23 authorizes the certificate holder to practice alcohol and drug counseling while the certificate  
24 is effective.

25 17–6A–10.

26           (a)   Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle[, beginning January 1, 2015,]  
27 **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the  
28 individual may practice behavior analysis in the State.

29 18–101.

30           (a)   In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

1 (b) “Board” means the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists.

2 18–301.

3 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**,  
4 an individual shall be licensed or registered by the Board before the individual may practice  
5 psychology as a psychologist or psychology associate in this State.

6 19–101.

7 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

8 (b) “Board” means the State Board of Social Work Examiners.

9 19–301.

10 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an  
11 individual shall be:

12 (1) Licensed by the Board before the individual may practice social work in  
13 this State while representing oneself as a social worker; or

14 (2) Licensed as a certified social worker–clinical before the individual may  
15 practice clinical social work in this State.

16 20–101.

17 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

18 (c) “Board” means the State Board for Certification of Residential Child Care  
19 Program Professionals.

20 20–301.

21 (a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection **OR § 22–201 OF THIS**  
22 **ARTICLE**, an individual shall receive a certificate from the Board before the individual may  
23 be a program administrator in this State.

24 (b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection[, on or before  
25 October 1, 2015,] **OR § 22–201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an individual shall receive a certificate  
26 from the Board before the individual may be a residential child and youth care practitioner  
27 in this State.

28 21–101.

29 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

1 (b) "Board" means the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists.

2 21-301.

3 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this title **OR § 22-201 OF THIS ARTICLE**, an  
4 individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice as an  
5 environmental health specialist in this State.

6 **TITLE 22. COMPLEMENTARY AND ALTERNATIVE HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS.**

7 **SUBTITLE 1. DEFINITIONS.**

8 **22-101.**

9 **IN THIS TITLE, "COMPLEMENTARY OR ALTERNATIVE HEALTH CARE"**  
10 **INCLUDES:**

11 (1) **ACUPRESSURE;**

12 (2) **ANTHROPOSOPHY;**

13 (3) **AROMATHERAPY;**

14 (4) **AYURVEDA;**

15 (5) **CRANIAL SACRAL THERAPY;**

16 (6) **CULTURALLY TRADITIONAL HEALING PRACTICES;**

17 (7) **DETOXIFICATION PRACTICES AND THERAPIES;**

18 (8) **ENERGETIC HEALING;**

19 (9) **POLARITY THERAPY;**

20 (10) **FOLK PRACTICES;**

21 (11) **HEALING PRACTICES USING FOOD, FOOD SUPPLEMENTS,**  
22 **NUTRIENTS, AND THE PHYSICAL FORCES OF HEAT, COLD, WATER, TOUCH, AND**  
23 **LIGHT;**

24 (12) **GERSON THERAPY;**

- 1           **(13) COLOSTRUM THERAPY;**  
2           **(14) HEALING TOUCH;**  
3           **(15) HERBOLOGY OR HERBALISM;**  
4           **(16) HOMEOPATHY;**  
5           **(17) IRIDOLOGY;**  
6           **(18) BODYWORK;**  
7           **(19) MEDITATION;**  
8           **(20) MIND–BODY HEALING PRACTICES;**  
9           **(21) REFLEXOLOGY AND REIKI;**  
10          **(22) TRADITIONAL NATUROPATHY;**  
11          **(23) NONINVASIVE INSTRUMENTALITIES;**  
12          **(24) TRADITIONAL ORIENTAL PRACTICES;**  
13          **(25) QIGONG; AND**  
14          **(26) ENERGY HEALING.**

15                   **SUBTITLE 2. AUTHORIZATION TO PRACTICE.**

16   **22–201.**

17           **SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS AND LIMITATIONS OF THIS TITLE, AN**  
18   **INDIVIDUAL MAY PRACTICE COMPLEMENTARY OR ALTERNATIVE HEALTH CARE**  
19   **WITHOUT OBTAINING A LICENSE, CERTIFICATION, OR OTHER AUTHORIZATION**  
20   **ISSUED UNDER THIS ARTICLE.**

21   **22–202.**

22           **UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL HOLDS A LICENSE, CERTIFICATION, OR OTHER**  
23   **AUTHORIZATION ISSUED UNDER THIS ARTICLE THAT AUTHORIZES THE INDIVIDUAL**  
24   **TO DO SO, AN INDIVIDUAL PRACTICING COMPLEMENTARY OR ALTERNATIVE HEALTH**  
25   **CARE MAY NOT:**

1           **(1) REPRESENT TO THE PUBLIC THAT THE INDIVIDUAL IS A LICENSED**  
2 **HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER;**

3           **(2) RECOMMEND TO ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL TO DISCONTINUE**  
4 **PRESCRIBED MEDICAL TREATMENT;**

5           **(3) PERFORM SURGERY;**

6           **(4) EXPOSE ANOTHER TO X-RAY RADIATION;**

7           **(5) SET A FRACTURE;**

8           **(6) PRESCRIBE OR DISPENSE A PRESCRIPTION DRUG OR**  
9 **CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE, AS DEFINED BY 21 U.S.C. § 812; OR**

10          **(7) MANIPULATE A SPINE OR OTHER JOINT.**

11 **22-203.**

12          **(A) AN INDIVIDUAL ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF A LICENSE,**  
13 **CERTIFICATE, OR OTHER AUTHORIZATION ISSUED UNDER THIS ARTICLE IS NOT**  
14 **SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.**

15          **(B) A COMPLEMENTARY OR ALTERNATIVE HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER**  
16 **SHALL:**

17           **(1) PROVIDE EACH OF THE PRACTITIONER'S CLIENTS WITH A**  
18 **WRITTEN NOTICE THAT CONTAINS:**

19                   **(I) THE NAME, TITLE, BUSINESS ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE**  
20 **NUMBER OF THE PRACTITIONER;**

21                   **(II) A STATEMENT INDICATING WHETHER THE PRACTITIONER**  
22 **HOLDS A LICENSE, CERTIFICATE, OR OTHER AUTHORIZATION ISSUED BY A HEALTH**  
23 **OCCUPATIONS BOARD UNDER THIS ARTICLE;**

24                   **(III) A DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPLEMENTARY OR**  
25 **ALTERNATIVE HEALTH CARE SERVICE THAT THE PRACTITIONER PROVIDES; AND**

26                   **(IV) ANY EDUCATIONAL CREDENTIAL, TRAINING, EXPERIENCE,**  
27 **OR OTHER QUALIFICATION HELD BY THE PRACTITIONER;**

1           **(2) OBTAIN A SIGNED WRITTEN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THAT THE**  
2 **CLIENT HAS RECEIVED THE NOTICE REQUIRED UNDER ITEM (1) OF THIS**  
3 **SUBSECTION;**

4           **(3) RETAIN THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT REQUIRED UNDER ITEM (2) OF**  
5 **THIS SUBSECTION AT LEAST 2 YEARS AFTER THE DATE THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT IS**  
6 **SIGNED; AND**

7           **(4) PROVIDE THE CLIENT WITH A COPY OF THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**  
8 **REQUIRED UNDER ITEM (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.**

9 **22-204.**

10           **THIS TITLE MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO WAIVE OR LIMIT ANY COMMON LAW**  
11 **OR STATUTORY CLAIM FOR RELIEF THAT A PERSON MAY BRING AGAINST A**  
12 **COMPLEMENTARY OR ALTERNATIVE HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER.**

13           **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect**  
14 **October 1, 2026.**