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Short Title: Bd. of Complementary Med. Examiners.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF COMPLEMENTARY MEDICINE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter 90 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new Article to read:

**"ARTICLE 29.**

**"BOARD OF COMPLEMENTARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS.**

**"§ 90-430. Short title. This Article shall be known as the North Carolina Complementary Medical Practice Act.**

**"§ 90-431. Definitions.**

- (1) 'Board' means the Board of Complementary Medical Examiners.
- (2) 'Chelation therapy' means medical therapy to restore cellular homeostasis through the use of intravenous, metal-binding, and bioinorganic agents such as ethylene diamine tetraacetic acid.
- (3) 'Doctor of complementary medicine' means a physician licensed pursuant to the provisions of Article I of this Chapter who has completed and documented postgraduate education in one or more therapies, including homeopathy, nutritional therapy, chelation therapy, or any other complementary therapy as designated by the

1 Board in its rules, and who has met all such licensing requirements for  
2 qualification under this statute.

3 (4) 'Homeopathy' means a system of medicine employing substances of  
4 animal, vegetable, or mineral origin which are given in microdosages,  
5 prepared according to homeopathic pharmacology, in accordance with  
6 the principle that a substance which produces symptoms in a healthy  
7 person can cure those symptoms in an ill person.

8 (5) 'Letter of concern' means an advisory letter to notify a physician that,  
9 while there is sufficient evidence to support disciplinary action, the  
10 Board believes the physician should modify or eliminate certain  
11 practices.

12 (6) 'Nutrition therapy' means therapy to provide the optimum  
13 concentration of substances normally present in the human body such  
14 as vitamins, minerals, amino acids, and enzymes.

15 **"§ 90-432. Board of Complementary Medical Examiners.**

16 (a) There is established a Board of Complementary Medical Examiners which  
17 shall consist of five members appointed by the Governor, four of whom shall be  
18 complementary physicians who are licensed under this Article, except as provided in  
19 subsection (b), and one of whom shall be a public member. Except as provided for  
20 initial appointments in subsection (b), the term of office of each member of the Board is  
21 three years, ending on June 30.

22 (b) The terms of the initial board members shall be staggered such that one  
23 complementary physicians' term and the public member's term expires June 30, 1994,  
24 two complementary physicians' terms expire June 30, 1995, and two complementary  
25 physicians' terms expire June 30, 1996. The initial complementary physician appointees  
26 shall be medical doctors engaged in the practice of one or more complementary  
27 therapies.

28 (c) Board members may be removed by the Governor for neglect of duty,  
29 malfeasance, or misfeasance.

30 **"§ 90-433. Meetings; organization; compensation.**

31 (a) The Board shall hold an annual meeting during the month of January of each  
32 year and may hold other meetings at times and places determined by a majority of the  
33 Board upon 10 days' written notice to each member. A majority vote of a quorum  
34 present at any meeting governs all actions taken, except that licenses shall be issued  
35 under this Chapter only upon the vote of a majority of the full Board.

36 (b) At each annual meeting the Board shall select from among its membership a  
37 president and vice-president who shall serve until their successors are chosen.

38 (c) Each Board member is eligible to receive compensation pursuant to G.S.  
39 93B-5 for each day actually engaged in carrying out duties as an officer or member of  
40 the Board. Compensation and expenses shall be paid from the Board of Complementary  
41 Medical Examiners Fund.

42 **"§ 90-434. Powers and duties.**

43 (a) The Board shall:

- 1           (1)   Conduct all examinations for applicants for a license under this  
2           Article, issue licenses, conduct hearings, place complementary  
3           physicians on probation, revoke or suspend licenses, and administer  
4           and enforce this Article.
- 5           (2)   Enforce within the complementary medical profession in this State the  
6           standards of practice prescribed by this Article and the rules and  
7           regulations adopted by the Board pursuant to the authority granted by  
8           this Article.
- 9           (3)   Collect and account for all fees under this Article and deposit same in  
10           a fund maintained by the Board; funds may be expended from  
11           revenues generated by fees and interest thereon for the administration  
12           of this Article.
- 13           (4)   Maintain a record of its acts and proceedings, including, but not  
14           limited to, the issuance, refusal to issue, renewal, suspension, or  
15           revocation of licenses to practice according to this Article.
- 16           (5)   Maintain a roster of all complementary physicians licensed under this  
17           Article which shall indicate:
  - 18           a.   The name of the licensed physician.
  - 19           b.   The current professional office address.
  - 20           c.   The date and the number of the license issued under this  
21           Article.
  - 22           d.   Whether the licensee is in good standing.
- 23           (6)   Adopt and use a seal, the imprint of which, together with the  
24           signatures of the president or vice-president of the Board and the  
25           secretary-treasurer, shall evidence its official acts.
- 26           (7)   Contract for administrative and record keeping services.
- 27           (8)   Charge additional fees that do not exceed the cost of the services for  
28           the services the Board deems necessary to carry out its intent and  
29           purposes.
- 30       (b)   The Board may:
  - 31           (1)   Make and adopt rules and regulations necessary for the administration  
32           of this Article.
  - 33           (2)   Accredit educational institutions in this State which grant degrees  
34           toward licensing therapies which are regulated under this Article.
  - 35           (3)   Hire permanent or temporary personnel to carry out the purposes of  
36           this Article.
  - 37           (4)   Hire or contract with investigators to assist in the investigation of  
38           violations of this Article and contract with other State agencies if  
39           required to carry out this Article.
  - 40           (5)   Purchase, rent, lease, sell, or otherwise transfer office space,  
41           equipment, supplies, or other real or personal property for the  
42           administration of this Article.

43   **"§ 90-435. Persons and acts not affected by this Article.**

1       (a) This Article exists for the exclusive purpose of licensing and regulation of  
2 medical doctors who practice complementary therapies. It shall not be construed to  
3 govern any method, system, or science of healing by nonmedical doctors.

4       (b) This Article does not govern the practice of complementary physicians  
5 discharging their duties while members of the armed forces of the United States or other  
6 federal agencies.

7 **"§ 90-436. Qualifications of applicant; application; fees.**

8       (a) A license to practice medicine as a complementary physician shall be granted  
9 only to an applicant who:

10       (1) Is of good moral character and is licensed pursuant to Article I of this  
11 Chapter;

12       (2) Has a professional record which indicates that the applicant has not  
13 had a license to practice medicine refused, revoked, suspended, or  
14 restricted in any state, territory, district, or county for reasons which  
15 relate to his ability to competently and safely practice medicine;

16       (3) Has a professional record which indicates that the applicant has not  
17 committed any act or engaged in any conduct which would constitute  
18 grounds for disciplinary action against a licensee under this Article;

19       (4) Has the physical and mental capacity to safely engage in the practice  
20 of medicine; and

21       (5) Submits to the Board, at least 30 days prior to the meeting at which the  
22 application is to be considered:

23       a. Affidavits from three physicians licensed to practice medicine  
24 in any state of the United States or the District of Columbia  
25 who are in active practice, attesting to the good moral character  
26 of the applicant and fitness to practice medicine as a doctor of  
27 complementary medicine. The applicant shall submit to any  
28 other reasonable investigation deemed necessary by the Board;

29       b. A diploma or certificate evidencing the completion of  
30 postgraduate training in the complementary modality in which  
31 the applicant intends to engage. Such training must be  
32 approved by the Board and documentation shall evidence  
33 requirements equivalent to those established for eligibility for  
34 certification by the national accreditation board for the  
35 particular therapy; or equivalent to the appropriate number of  
36 hours and subjects which are generally accepted as necessary,  
37 as determined by the Board, for a thorough knowledge of the  
38 practice of each modality;

39       c. A verified application, upon forms furnished by the Board,  
40 stating, in addition to any other information requested, that the  
41 applicant is the person named in the diploma or certificate and  
42 the lawful holder of such diploma or certificate and that the  
43 diploma was procured in a regular course of instruction and  
44 examination without fraud or misrepresentation;

- 1           (6) Successfully passes an examination as provided in this Article, except  
2 that the Board may waive any such examination if the applicant either:  
3           a. Has for three years practiced primarily the complementary  
4 therapy for which the applicant is seeking to be licensed as a  
5 doctor of complementary medicine, has affidavits from three  
6 physicians which attest to competency for this therapy, and is  
7 licensed pursuant to Article I of this Chapter; or  
8           b. Holds a current, unsuspended, and unrevoked license to practice  
9 this complementary therapy issued by another state of the  
10 United States or the District of Columbia and is licensed  
11 pursuant to Article I of this Chapter;
- 12           (7) Pays to the Board upon application a fee of two hundred fifty dollars  
13 (\$250.00), and an additional fee of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00)  
14 upon issuance of the license; and
- 15           (8) Submits to a personal interview at a reasonable time and place as  
16 prescribed by the Board.

17 **"§ 90-437. Examination; reexamination.**

18           (a) Examination for a license to practice under this Article shall include all  
19 subjects which are generally accepted as necessary for a thorough knowledge of the  
20 practice of the selected areas of complementary therapies. The Board shall prescribe  
21 rules and regulations for conducting the examinations and set the passing grade.

22           (b) Examinations shall be conducted at least twice annually at times and places to  
23 be designated by the Board. Written notice of the date and place of examination shall  
24 be mailed to all applicants at least 30 days prior to the date of the examination. A  
25 person failing to pass an examination may be reexamined within one year without  
26 payment of an additional fee.

27 **"§ 90-438. Renewal of license; failure to renew; reinstatement.**

28           (a) Each physician holding a license under this Article shall renew it and pay a  
29 renewal fee not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) prior to January 1 each year.  
30 Failure to renew an active license as required by this section on or before February 1  
31 requires an additional late payment fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00). Failure  
32 to renew an active license on or before May 1 shall result in the expiration of the active  
33 license. The secretary-treasurer of the Board shall notify each licensee of the renewal  
34 date at least 30 days prior to January 1 each year.

35           (b) A person whose license has expired may reapply for a license to practice  
36 complementary medicine as provided in this Article.

37 **"§ 90-439. Use of title or abbreviation by a complementary physician.**

38           A physician practicing pursuant to this Article may only use the title 'complementary  
39 medicine physician' or 'doctor of complementary medicine', or the abbreviations  
40 'M.D.C.M.D.'

41 **"§ 90-440. Definition of unprofessional conduct.**

42           'Unprofessional conduct' includes the following acts, whether occurring in the State  
43 or elsewhere:

- 44           (1) Immoral or dishonorable conduct;

- 1           (2)    Producing or attempting to produce an abortion contrary to law;
- 2           (3)    Making false statements or representations to the Board, or willfully  
3           concealing from the Board material information in connection with his  
4           application for a license;
- 5           (4)    Being unable to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to  
6           patients by reason of illness, drunkenness, excessive use of alcohol,  
7           drugs, chemicals, or any other type of material or by reason of any  
8           physical or mental abnormality. The Board is empowered and  
9           authorized to require a physician licensed by it to submit to a mental or  
10           physical examination by physicians designated by the Board before or  
11           after charges may be presented against him, and the results of  
12           examination shall be admissible in evidence in a hearing before the  
13           Board;
- 14           (5)    Unprofessional conduct including, but not limited to, the committing  
15           of any act contrary to honesty, justice, or good morals, whether the  
16           same is committed in the course of his practice or otherwise, and  
17           whether committed within or without North Carolina;
- 18           (6)    Conviction in any court of a crime involving moral turpitude, or the  
19           violation of a law involving the practice of medicine, or a conviction  
20           of a felony;
- 21           (7)    By false representations obtaining or attempting to obtain practice,  
22           money, or anything of value;
- 23           (8)    Advertising or publicly professing to treat human ailments under a  
24           system or school of treatment or practice other than that for which he  
25           has been educated;
- 26           (9)    Adjudication of mental incompetency, which shall automatically  
27           suspend a license unless the Board orders otherwise;
- 28           (10)   Lack of professional competence to practice medicine with a  
29           reasonable degree of skill and safety for patients. In this connection  
30           the Board may consider repeated acts of a physician indicating his  
31           failure to properly treat a patient and may require such physician to  
32           submit to inquiries or examinations, written or oral, by members of the  
33           Board or by other physicians licensed to practice medicine in this  
34           State, as the Board deems necessary to determine the professional  
35           qualifications of such licensee;
- 36           (11)   Promotion of the sale of drugs, devices, appliances, or goods for a  
37           patient, or providing services to a patient, in such a manner as to  
38           exploit the patient for financial gain of the physician; and upon a  
39           finding of the exploitation for financial gain, the Board may order  
40           restitution be made to the payer of the bill, whether the patient or the  
41           insurer, by the physician; provided that a determination of the amount  
42           of restitution shall be based on credible testimony in the record;
- 43           (12)   Suspension or revocation of a license to practice medicine in any other  
44           state, or territory of the United States, or other country;

- 1           (13) The failure to respond, within a reasonable period of time and in a  
2           reasonable manner as determined by the Board, to inquiries from the  
3           Board concerning any matter affecting the license to practice  
4           medicine;
- 5           (14) The use of experimental forms of diagnosis and treatment without  
6           adequate informed patient consent, without a board-approved written  
7           disclosure that the form of diagnosis and treatment to be used is  
8           experimental, and without conforming to generally accepted  
9           experimental criteria, including protocols, detailed records, periodic  
10          analysis of results, and periodic review by a peer review committee;
- 11          (15) Sexual intimacies with a patient in the course of direct treatment;
- 12          (16) Refusal, revocation, or suspension of a license by any other state,  
13          territory, district, or country, unless it can be shown that such was not  
14          occasioned by reasons which relate to the ability to practice  
15          complementary medicine safely and skillfully or to any act of  
16          unprofessional conduct as provided in this section.

17 **§ 90-441. Grounds for suspension or revocation of license; duty to report;**  
18 **unprofessional conduct hearing; decision of Board.**

19       (a) The Board on its own motion may investigate any information which appears  
20 to show that a complementary physician is or may be guilty of unprofessional conduct  
21 or is or may be mentally or physically unable to engage safely in the practice of  
22 medicine. Any complementary physician, the North Carolina Complementary Medical  
23 Association, or any health care institution shall, and any other person may, report to the  
24 Board any information such person may have which appears to show that a  
25 complementary physician is or may be guilty of unprofessional conduct or is or may be  
26 mentally or physically unable to engage safely in the practice of medicine. The Board  
27 shall notify the complementary physician about whom information is received as to the  
28 content of the information within 120 days after the receipt of the information. Any  
29 person who reports or provides information to the Board in good faith is not subject to  
30 an action for civil damages as a result thereof, and such person's name shall not be  
31 disclosed unless such person's testimony is essential to the disciplinary proceedings  
32 conducted pursuant to the section. It is an act of unprofessional conduct for any  
33 complementary physician to fail to report as required by this section. Any health care  
34 institution which fails to report as required by this section shall be reported by the Board  
35 to such institution's licensing agency.

36       (b) A health care institution shall inform the Board when the privileges of a  
37 complementary physician to practice in the health care institution are denied, revoked,  
38 suspended, or limited because of actions by the complementary physician which  
39 jeopardizes patient health and welfare or if the physician resigns during pending  
40 proceedings for revocation, suspension, or limitation of his privileges. A report to the  
41 Board pursuant to this subsection shall contain a general statement of the reasons the  
42 health care institution denied or took action to revoke, suspend, or limit a  
43 complementary physician's privileges.

1       (c) If, after completing its investigation, the Board finds that the information  
2 provided pursuant to subsection (a) of this section is not of sufficient seriousness to  
3 merit direct action against the license of the complementary physician it may take either  
4 of the following actions:

5           (1) Dismiss if, in the opinion of the Board, the information is without  
6 merit.

7           (2) File a letter of concern.

8       (d) If, in the opinion of the Board, and after completing the investigation, it  
9 appears this information is or may be true, the Board may request an informal interview  
10 with the complementary physician concerned. If the complementary physician refuses  
11 the invitation or if he accepts the invitation and if the results of the interview indicate  
12 suspension or revocation of his license might be in order, a formal complaint shall be  
13 issued and a formal hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of  
14 Chapter 150B of the General Statutes. If, after completing the investigation, at the  
15 informal interview, the Board finds the information provided under subsection (a) of  
16 this section is not of sufficient seriousness to merit suspension or revocation of license,  
17 it may take the following actions:

18           (1) Dismiss if, in the opinion of the Board, the information is without  
19 merit.

20           (2) File a letter of concern.

21           (3) Issue a decree of censure which constitutes an official action against  
22 the complementary physician's license and which may include but not  
23 be limited to a requirement for restitution of fees to a patient resulting  
24 from violations of this Article or rules promulgated under this Article.

25           (4) Fix such period and terms of probation best adapted to protect the  
26 public health and safety and rehabilitate or educate the complementary  
27 physician concerned. The probation, if deemed necessary, may  
28 include but not be limited to temporary suspension of the license not to  
29 exceed 12 months, restriction of the complementary physician's license  
30 to practice medicine, or a requirement for restitution of fees to a  
31 patient resulting from violations of this Article or rules promulgated  
32 under this Article. The failure to comply with any probation is cause  
33 for filing a summons, complaint, and notice of hearing pursuant to this  
34 section based on the information considered by the Board at the  
35 informal interview and any other acts or conduct alleged to be in  
36 violation of this Article or rules adopted by the Board pursuant to this  
37 Article.

38           (5) Enter into an agreement with the complementary physician to restrict  
39 or limit the complementary physician's practice or medical activities in  
40 order to rehabilitate the complementary physician, protect the public,  
41 and insure the complementary physician's ability to safely engage in  
42 the practice of medicine.

43       (e) In an informal interview pursuant to subsection (d) of this section or in a  
44 hearing pursuant to subsection (f) of this section, the Board, in addition to any other



1 action which may be taken, may impose a civil penalty in an amount of not less than  
2 five hundred dollars (\$500.00) but not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000) on a  
3 complementary physician who violates any provision of this Article or any rule  
4 promulgated pursuant to this Article. Actions to enforce the collection of these  
5 penalties shall be brought in the name of this State by the Attorney General or the  
6 county attorney in the county in which the violation occurred. Penalties imposed under  
7 this section are in addition to and not in limitation of other penalties imposed pursuant  
8 to this Article.

9 (f) If in the opinion of the Board it appears that the allegations concerning a  
10 complementary physician are of such magnitude as to warrant suspension or revocation  
11 of his license, the Board shall serve on such physician a summons and a complaint fully  
12 setting forth the conduct or inability concerned; hearings shall be held in accordance  
13 with the provisions of Article 3A of Chapter 150B of the General Statutes.

14 (g) Patient records, including clinical records, medical reports, laboratory  
15 statements and reports, any file, film, any other report or oral statement relating to  
16 diagnostic findings or treatment of patients, any information from which a patient or his  
17 family might be identified, or information received and records kept by the Board as a  
18 result of investigation procedures shall not be available to the public.

19 (h) Hospital records, medical staff records, medical staff review committee  
20 records, and testimony concerning such records, and proceedings related to the creation  
21 of such records, are not available to the public, shall be kept confidential by the Board,  
22 and are subject to the same provisions concerning discovery and use in legal action as  
23 are the original records in the possession and control of hospitals, their medical staffs,  
24 and their medical staff review committees. The Board shall use such records and  
25 testimony during the course of investigations and proceedings pursuant to this Article.

26 **"§ 90-442. Violation; classification.**

27 A person who practices or attempts to practice medicine as a complementary  
28 physician in violation of this Article, or who violates any of the provisions of this  
29 Article, is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed five hundred  
30 dollars (\$500.00) per offense.

31 **"§ 90-443. Third-party reimbursement.**

32 Nothing in this Article shall be construed to require direct third-party reimbursement  
33 to persons licensed under this Article for the provision of complementary medical  
34 services."

35 Sec. 2. G.S. 90-14(a) reads as rewritten:

36 "(a) The Board shall have the power to deny, annul, suspend, or revoke a license,  
37 or other authority to practice medicine in this State, issued by the Board to any person  
38 who has been found by the Board to have committed any of the following acts or  
39 conduct, or for any of the following reasons:

- 40 (1) Immoral or dishonorable conduct;
- 41 (2) Producing or attempting to produce an abortion contrary to law;
- 42 (3) Made false statements or representations to the Board, or who has  
43 willfully concealed from the Board material information in connection  
44 with his application for a license;

- 1 (4) Repealed by Session Laws 1977, c. 838, s. 3.
- 2 (5) Being unable to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to  
3 patients by reason of illness, drunkenness, excessive use of alcohol,  
4 drugs, chemicals, or any other type of material or by reason of any  
5 physical or mental abnormality. The Board is empowered and  
6 authorized to require a physician licensed by it to submit to a mental or  
7 physical examination by physicians designated by the Board before or  
8 after charges may be presented against him, and the results of  
9 examination shall be admissible in evidence in a hearing before the  
10 Board;
- 11 (6) Unprofessional conduct, including, but not limited to, any departure  
12 from, or the failure to conform to, the standards of acceptable ~~and~~  
13 ~~prevailing~~ medical practice, or the ethics of the medical profession,  
14 irrespective of whether or not a patient is injured thereby, or the  
15 committing of any act contrary to honesty, justice, or good morals,  
16 whether the same is committed in the course of his practice or  
17 otherwise, and whether committed within or without North ~~Carolina~~;  
18 Carolina. Medical doctors practicing complementary therapies who  
19 are not licensed pursuant to Article 29 of this Chapter are subject to  
20 finest and penalties as set forth in that Article. The Board is not  
21 authorized to revoke, suspend, or deny a license, nor deem as  
22 unacceptable the therapies of complementary physicians licensed  
23 pursuant to Article 29 of this Chapter, solely on the basis of their use  
24 of complementary therapies; provided, however, the Board may take  
25 disciplinary action against a physician licensed under Article 29 upon  
26 proof that the therapy creates an unreasonable risk of harm that  
27 exceeds the degree of risk inherent in the practice of traditional  
28 therapies;
- 29 (7) Conviction in any court of a crime involving moral turpitude, or the  
30 violation of a law involving the practice of medicine, or a conviction  
31 of a felony; provided that a felony conviction shall be treated as  
32 provided in subsection (c) of this section;
- 33 (8) By false representations has obtained or attempted to obtain practice,  
34 money or anything of value;
- 35 (9) Has advertised or publicly professed to treat human ailments under a  
36 system or school of treatment or practice other than that for which he  
37 has been educated;
- 38 (10) Adjudication of mental incompetency, which shall automatically  
39 suspend a license unless the Board orders otherwise;
- 40 (11) Lack of professional competence to practice medicine with a  
41 reasonable degree of skill and safety for patients. In this connection the  
42 Board may consider repeated acts of a physician indicating his failure  
43 to properly treat a patient and may require such physician to submit to  
44 inquiries or examinations, written or oral, by members of the Board or

- 1 by other physicians licensed to practice medicine in this State, as the  
2 Board deems necessary to determine the professional qualifications of  
3 such licensee;
- 4 (12) Promotion of the sale of drugs, devices, appliances or goods for a  
5 patient, or providing services to a patient, in such a manner as to  
6 exploit the patient for financial gain of the physician; and upon a  
7 finding of the exploitation for financial gain, the Board may order  
8 restitution be made to the payer of the bill, whether the patient or the  
9 insurer, by the physician; provided that a determination of the amount  
10 of restitution shall be based on credible testimony in the record;
- 11 (13) Suspension or revocation of a license to practice medicine in any other  
12 state, or territory of the United States, or other country;
- 13 (14) The failure to respond, within a reasonable period of time and in a  
14 reasonable manner as determined by the Board, to inquiries from the  
15 Board concerning any matter affecting the license to practice  
16 medicine.

17 For any of the foregoing reasons, the Board may deny the issuance of a license to an  
18 applicant or revoke a license issued to him, may suspend such a license for a period of  
19 time, and may impose conditions upon the continued practice after such period of  
20 suspension as the Board may deem advisable, may limit the accused physician's practice  
21 of medicine with respect to the extent, nature or location of his practice as the Board  
22 deems advisable. The Board may, in its discretion and upon such terms and conditions  
23 and for such period of time as it may prescribe, restore a license so revoked or  
24 rescinded."

25 Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.