

Full Text

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Proposition 16

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Title CHIROPRACTIC

Year 1922

Proposition type initiative

Popular vote Yes: 481,600 (59.5%); No: 327,849 (40.5%)

Pass/Fail Pass

Summary Creates Board of Chiropractic Examiners, appointed by Governor and paid from receipts under act; prescribes powers and duties thereof; prohibits practice of chiropractic without license therefrom, authorizing issuance thereof to certain chiropractic graduates and establishing prerequisites of study and other conditions to such issuance; provides for revocation of such licenses; declares chiropractic licentiates shall observe and be subject to all state and municipal regulations relating to all matters pertaining to public health, shall sign death certificates and make reports as required by law; prescribes penalties and repeals conflicting legislation.

For **ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSED CHIROPRACTIC ACT.**

Your vote "Yes" on the Chiropractic Initiative Bill is urged for many reasons, some of which are set forth herein, and all, of which are consistent with American ideals, just to all and do injury to none.

Under this bill there will be a board of five competent chiropractors, appointed by the Governor, to examine and license chiropractors. No chiropractor will be licensed without examination. The board will be self-sustaining, incurring no additional expense to the taxpayers. It provides for high and proper standards of chiropractic education, a high school diploma or its equivalent, requires four hundred hours more than drugless section of present Medical Act, conforms to all general health laws administered by the board of health and prohibits the use of drugs, surgery or the practice of obstetrics by chiropractors, thus guaranteeing to the people competency of chiropractors and protection from the ignorant or unscrupulous, which the medical law, administered by medical men, does not and can not do.

The teachings and practice of chiropractic are admittedly different from those of medicine, therefore, the members of the Medical Board, who are without training in the science of chiropractic, have never studied it, do not practice it, brand it as unscientific and absurd, are its competitors, and desire only to destroy it, can not intelligently and without prejudice examine the chiropractor in his system of practice.

To illustrate: It would be as reasonable to permit the Mikado to direct our shipbuilding and examine U. S. Naval officers as to permit the Medical Board, dominated by M.D.'s, to examine and control their chief competitors.

The progress of chiropractic, little short of marvelous, has been made under extremely unfavorable conditions. Denied ordinary freedom from oppression by political medicine, having no hospital facilities, no endowments of their schools or other institutions, no support of society except the commercial side resulting from the good they have done, they have reached the point where within the last seven years twenty-two states have enacted laws similar to the one now proposed in California.

The Medical Board, empowered, as it now is, to exercise unlimited authority over the practice of chiropractic, is using the medical law to throttle chiropractic and prohibit its practice in California.

The medical law, as administered by the Medical Board, has no reasonable tendency to promote the public safety and welfare.

The people of California demand that anyone who proposes to serve them in matters of health shall possess proper qualifications; therefore the demand for a board of chiropractic examiners to examine chiropractors and intelligently consider their qualifications. In this way only may the will and best interests of the people of California be served.

The following facts should be remembered:

The only opposition to this bill is by political doctors.

No chiropractic examinations were ever held in California.

No chiropractic licenses were ever issued in California.

No chiropractic licenses CAN be issued under present law.

In view of the foregoing, and in the interests of right and justice, vote "Yes."

**FOR(au)
Against**

G. A. Lynch

ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSED NEW CHIROPRACTIC BOARD.

To create two new boards, not only to duplicate but to triplicate the work now being done effectively and economically by one responsible board of examiners, is the extravagant purpose of Number 16, the Chiropractic Initiative, and Number 20, the Osteopathic Initiative. Both

measures should be defeated as unnecessary and unsafe legislation.

California already has a competent Board of Examiners created by law, charged with the duty of determining, by impartial examination, the qualifications of all applicants, including chiropractors, who desire to treat diseases, injuries, deformities, physical or mental afflictions of human beings. Examinations are necessary to safeguard the lives and health of the people from incompetents, impostors and quacks. Citizens have the right to expect that anyone the state licenses shall possess a certain amount of knowledge of the causes and courses of diseases and the complex functions of the intricate human machine.

Examinations are open to all qualified applicants. Many chiropractors have taken and passed the examination and are [sic] now legally licensed and practicing in California. Any applicant who can meet the reasonable requirements of the present state law and pass a 75% examination can receive a license.

To create a new board for the special benefit of those who are unable or unwilling to take the state examination is to approve ignorance and license lawlessness.

Chiropractors and osteopaths constitute only two of the twenty-seven drugless cults of California. If a new board is created for chiropractors and another new board for osteopaths, it is obvious that the other twenty-five drugless cults are equally entitled to special boards. This would result in a chaotic condition constantly menacing the public health.

The California legislature at five different sessions carefully, investigated and considered chiropractic demands for a new board based upon charges that the present board of medical examiners is incompetent and unfair. Each time the chiropractic charges were found untrue and the chiropractic bill was consequently rejected five times as without merit.

Some of the many dangerous features of the chiropractic act are: It lowers educational standards; it removes vital public health safeguards; under its provisions thousands of graduates of "fly by night" schools may be licensed with practically no examination at all; it neglects to define "chiropractic." To create a new board and grant powers to it, to license those of inferior education to practice an undefined and uncertain thing is unsafe.

The law governing the Board of Medical Examiners has been upheld by our courts as valid, reasonable and enforceable without one dissenting opinion. Governor Johnson and Governor Stephens selected an able board. If the present board becomes incompetent or unfair the governor has

authority to select a new board. The courts can review and reverse the Board's decisions. Such a well-selected, responsible board assures all applicants of impartial and competent consideration and assures the people of California adequate protection.

To maintain educational standards and public health safeguards, vote "No" on Number 16.

Against(au) Homer R. Spence |t Assemblyman Thirty-fifth Assembly District
Text of Prop. Sufficient qualified electors of the State of California present to the secretary of state this petition and request that a proposed measure, as hereinafter set forth, be submitted to the people of the State of California for their approval or rejection, at the next ensuing general election. The proposed measure is as follows: PROPOSED LAW.

(Proposed changes from provisions of present laws are printed in black-faced[BOLD] type.)

An act prescribing the terms upon which licenses may be issued to practitioners of chiropractic, creating the state board of chiropractic examiners and declaring its powers and duties, prescribing penalties for violation hereof, and repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

Section 1. A board is hereby created to be known as the "state board of chiropractic examiners," hereinafter referred to as the board, which shall consist of five members, citizens of the State of California, appointed by the governor. Each member must have pursued a resident course in a regularly incorporated chiropractic school or college, and must be a graduate thereof and hold a diploma therefrom.

Each member of the board first appointed hereunder shall have practiced chiropractic in the State of California for a period of three years next preceding the date upon which this act takes effect, thereafter appointees shall be licentiates hereunder. No two persons shall serve simultaneously as members of said board, whose first diplomas were issued by the same school or college of chiropractic, nor shall more than two members be residents of any one county of the state. And no person connected with any chiropractic school or college shall be eligible to appointment as a member of the board. Each member of the board, except the secretary, shall receive a per diem of ten dollars for each day during which he is actually engaged in the discharge of his duties, together with his actual and necessary traveling expenses incurred in connection with the performance of the duties of his office, such per diem traveling expenses and other incidental expenses of the board or of its members to be paid out

of the funds of the board hereinafter defined and not from the state's taxes.

Sec. 2. Within sixty days of the date upon which this act takes effect, the governor shall appoint the members of the board. Of the members first appointed, one shall be appointed for a term of one year, two for two years, and two for three years. Thereafter, each appointment shall be for the term of three years, except that an appointment to fill a vacancy shall be for the unexpired term only. Each member shall serve until his successor has been appointed and qualified. The governor may remove a member from the board after receiving sufficient proof of the inability or misconduct of said member.

Sec. 3. The board shall convene within thirty days after the appointment of its members, and shall organize by the election of a president, vice-president and secretary, all to be chosen from the members of the board. Thereafter elections of officers shall occur annually at the January meeting of the board. A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum.

It shall require the affirmative vote of three members of said board to carry any motion or resolution, to adopt any rule, or to authorize the issuance of any license provided for in this act. The secretary shall receive a salary to be fixed by the board in an amount not exceeding one thousand dollars per annum, but not per diem, together with his actual and necessary traveling expenses incurred in connection with the performance of the duties of his office, and shall give bond to the state in such sum with such sureties as the board may deem proper. He shall keep a record of the proceedings of the board, which shall at all times during business hours be open to the public for inspection. He shall keep a true and accurate account of all funds received and of all expenditures incurred or authorized by the board, and on the first day of December of each year he shall file with the governor a report of all receipts and disbursements and of the proceedings of the board for the preceding fiscal year.

Sec. 4. The board shall have power:

(a) To adopt a seal, which shall be affixed to all licenses issued by the board.

(b) To adopt from time to time such rules and regulations as the board may deem proper and necessary for the performance of its work, copies of such rules and regulations to be filed with the secretary of state for public inspection.

(c) To examine applicants and to issue and revoke licenses to practice

chiropractic, as herein provided.

(d) To summon witnesses and to take testimony as to matters pertaining to its duties; and each member shall have power to administer oaths and take affidavits.

(e) To do any and all things necessary or incidental to the exercise of the powers and duties herein granted or imposed.

Sec. 5. It shall be unlawful for any person to practice **chiropractic** in this state without a license so to do. Any person wishing to practice **chiropractic** in this state shall make application to the board **fifteen** days prior to any meeting thereof, upon such form and in such manner as may be provided by the board. Each application must be accompanied by a license fee of twenty-five dollars and a certificate showing good moral character of the applicant. Except in the cases herein otherwise prescribed, each applicant shall be a graduate of an **incorporated chiropractic** school or college which teaches a course of not less than **two thousand four hundred** hours, extended over a period of three school terms of at least six months each, and must give **satisfactory** proof of having attended not less than **ninety** per cent of said **two thousand four hundred hours, and shall present to the board at the time of making such application, a diploma from a high school, or proof, satisfactory to the board of education equivalent in training power to a high school course.**

The schedule of minimum educational requirements to enable any person to practice **chiropractic** in this state is as follows, to wit, except as herein otherwise provided:

Anatomy 600 hours

Histology 100 hours

Elementary chemistry and toxicology 100 hours

Physiology 200 hours

Bacteriology 100 hours

Hygiene and sanitation 100 hours

Pathology 200 hours

Diagnosis or analysis 400 hours

Chiropractic theory and practice 500 hours

Obstetrics and gynecology 100 hours

Total 2400 hours

Sec. 6. (a) The board shall meet as a board of examiners **on the first Tuesday following the second Monday of January and July of each year**, and at such other times and places as may be found necessary for the performance of their duties. **The office of the board shall be in the city of Sacramento. Sub-offices may be established in Los Angeles and San Francisco, and such records as may be necessary may be transferred temporarily to such sub-offices. Legal proceedings against the board may be instituted in any one of said three cities.**

(b) Each applicant shall be designated by a number instead of the name, so that the identity will not be disclosed to the examiners until the papers are graded.

(c) All examinations shall be in writing, **except in cases herein otherwise prescribed, and shall be practical in character, as taught in chiropractic schools or colleges, and designed to ascertain the fitness of the applicant to practice chiropractic. Said examinations shall be in each of the subjects as set forth in section five hereof.** A license shall be granted to any applicant who shall make a general average of seventy-five per cent, and not fall below sixty per cent in more than two subjects or branches of said examination. Any applicant **failing to make the required grade** shall be given credit for the branches passed, and may, without further cost, redo the examination at the next regular examination on the subjects in which he failed. For each year of actual practice since graduation the application shall be given a credit of one percent on the general average.

Sec. 7. **One form of certificate shall be issued by the board of chiropractic examiners, which said certificate shall be designated "License to practice chiropractic," which license shall authorize the holder thereof to practice chiropractic in the State of California as taught in chiropractic schools or colleges; and, also, to use all necessary mechanical, hygienic and sanitary measures incident to the care of the body, but shall not authorize the practice of medicine, surgery, osteopathy, dentistry or optometry, nor the use of any drug or medicine now or hereafter included in materia medica.**

Sec. 8. Any person who shall have practiced chiropractic for two years after graduation from a chiropractic school or college, one year of which shall have been in this state preceding the date upon which this act takes effect, or any person who graduated from a chiropractic school or college

prior to **January 1, 1922**, and who shall present to the board satisfactory proof of good moral character and having pursued a resident course of not less than **two** thousand hours in a legally **incorporated chiropractic** school or college, shall be given a practical and clinical examination in **chiropractic philosophy and practice, and if he, or she, make a grade of seventy-five per cent in such examination, the board shall grant a license to said applicant to practice chiropractic in this state under the provisions of this act; provided, however, that application for said license is made within six months of the date upon which this act takes effect and** that each applicant shall pay to the secretary of the board the sum of **twenty-five** dollars.

Sec. 9. **Notwithstanding any provision contained in any other section of this** act the board, upon receipt of the fee of **twenty-five dollars**, shall issue a license to any of the following named persons:

(a) **To each member of the board.**

(b) To any person licensed to practice chiropractic under the laws of another state, having the same general requirements as prescribed in this act; and provided, further, that such other state in like manner grants reciprocal registration to chiropractic practitioners of this state.

Sec. 10. (a) The board shall refuse to grant, or may revoke, a license to practice **chiropractic** in this state, or may cause a licensee's name to be removed from all records of licensed practitioners of **chiropractic** in this state, upon any of the following grounds, to wit:

The employment of fraud or deception in applying for a license or in passing an examination as provided in this act; the practice **of chiropractic** under a false or assumed name; or the personation of another practitioner of like or different name; the conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude; habitual intemperance in the use of ardent spirits, narcotics or stimulants to such an extent as to incapacitate him for the performance of his professional duties; the advertising of any means whereby the monthly periods of women can be regulated or the menses reestablished if suppressed; or the advertising, directly, indirectly or in substance, upon any card, sign, newspaper advertisement, or other written or printed sign or advertisement, that the holder of such license or any other person, company or association by which he or she is employed, or in whose service he or she is, will treat, cure, or attempt to treat or cure, any venereal disease, or will treat or cure, or attempt to treat or cure, any person afflicted with any sexual disease, for lost manhood, sexual weakness or sexual disorder or any disease of the sexual organs, or being employed by, or being in the service of any person, company or association so advertising. Any person who is licentiate, or who is an applicant for a license to practice chiropractic, against whom any of

the foregoing grounds for revoking or refusing a license is presented to the board with a view of having the board revoke or refuse to grant a license, shall be furnished with a copy of the complaint, and shall have a hearing before the board in person or by an attorney, and witnesses may be examined by the board respecting the guilt or innocence of the accused. The secretary on all cases of revocation shall enter on his register the fact of such revocation, and shall certify the fact of such revocation, and shall certify the fact of such revocation under the seal of the board to the county clerk of the counties in which the certificates of the person whose certificate has been revoked is recorded; and said clerk must thereupon write upon the margin or across the face of his register of the certificate of such person the following: "This certificate was revoked on the day of , " giving the day, month and year of such revocation in accordance with said certification to him by said secretary. The record of such revocation so made by said county clerk shall be prima facie evidence of the fact thereof, and of the regularity of all proceedings of said board in the matter of said revocation.

(b) At any time after two years following the revocation or cancellation of a license or registration under this section, the board may, by a majority vote, reissue said license to the person affected, restoring him to, or conferring on him all the rights and privileges granted by his original license or certificate. Any person to whom such rights have been restored shall pay to the secretary the sum of twenty-five dollars upon the issuance of a new license.

Sec. 11. (a) Every person who shall receive a license from the board shall have it recorded in the office of the county clerk of the county in which he resides, and shall have it likewise recorded in the counties into which he shall subsequently move for the purpose of practicing **chiropractic**.

(b) The failure or the refusal on the part of the holder of a license to have it recorded before he shall begin to practice **chiropractic** in this state, **after having been notified by the board to do so**, shall be **sufficient ground to revoke or cancel a license and to render it null and void**.

(c) The county clerk of each county in this state shall keep for public inspection, in a book provided for that purpose, a complete list and description of the licenses recorded by him. When any such license shall be presented to him for record he shall stamp upon the face thereof his signed memorandum of the date when such license was presented for record.

Sec. 12. Each person practicing chiropractic within this state shall, on or before the first day of January of each year, after a license is issued to him as herein provided, pay to said board of chiropractic

examiners a renewal fee of two dollars. The secretary shall, on or before November first of each year, mail to all licensed chiropractors in this state a notice that the renewal fee will be due on or before the first day of January next following. Nothing in this act shall be construed to require the receipts to be recorded in like manner as original licenses. The failure, neglect or refusal of any person holding a license or certificate to practice under this act in the State of California to pay said annual fee of two dollars during the time his or her license remains in force shall, after a period of sixty days from the first day of January of each year, ipso facto, work a forfeiture of his or her license or certificate, and it shall not be restored except upon the written application therefor and the payment to the said board of a fee of ten dollars, except that such licentiate who fails, refuses or neglects to pay such annual tax within a period of sixty days after the first day of January of each year shall not be required to submit to an examination for the reissuance of such certificate.

Sec. 13. Chiropractic licentiates shall observe and be subject to all state and municipal regulations relating to all matters pertaining to the public health, and shall sign death certificates and make reports as required by law to the proper authorities, **and such reports shall be accepted by the officers of the departments to which the same are made.**

Sec. 14. All moneys received by the board under this act shall be paid to the secretary of said board, who shall give a receipt for the same and shall at the end of each month report to the state controller the total amount of money received by him on behalf of said board from all sources, and shall at the same time deposit with the state treasurer the entire amount of such receipts, and the state treasurer shall place the money so received in a special fund, to be known as the "state board of chiropractic examiners' fund," which fund is hereby created. Such fund shall be expended in accordance with law for all necessary and proper expenses in carrying out the provisions of this act, upon proper claims approved by said board or a finance committee thereof.

Sec. 15. Any person who shall practice or attempt to practice chiropractic, or any person who shall buy, sell or fraudulently obtain a license to practice chiropractic, whether recorded or not, or who shall use the title "chiropractor" or "D. C." or any word or title to induce, or tending to induce belief that he is engaged in the practice of chiropractic, without first complying with the provisions of this act; or any licensee under this act who uses the word "doctor" or the prefix "Dr." without the word "chiropractor," or "D. C." immediately following his name, or the use of the letters "M. D." or the words "doctor of medicine," or the term "surgeon," or the term "physician," or the word "osteopath," or the letters "D. O." or any other letters, prefixes or suffixes, the use of which would indicate that he or

she was practicing a profession for which he held no license from the State of California, or any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars and not more than two hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than thirty days nor more than ninety days, or both.

Sec. 16. Nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit service in case of emergency, or the domestic administration of **chiropractic**, nor shall this act apply to any **chiropractor** from any other state or territory who is actually consulting with a licensed **chiropractor** in this state; provided, that such consulting **chiropractor** shall not open an office or appoint a place to receive patients within the limits of the state; nor shall this act be construed so as to discriminate against any particular school of **chiropractic**, or any other treatment; nor to regulate, prohibit or apply to any kind of treatment by prayer; nor to interfere in any way with the practice of religion. Nor shall this act apply to persons who are licensed under other acts.

Sec. 17. It shall be the duty of the several district attorneys of this state to prosecute all persons charged with the violation of any of the provisions of this act. It shall be the duty of the secretary of the board, under the direction of the board, to aid attorneys in the enforcement of this act.

Sec. 18. Nothing herein shall be construed as repealing the "medical practice act" of June 2, 1913, or any subsequent amendments thereof, except in so far as that act or said amendments may conflict with the provisions of this act as applied to persons licensed under this act, to which extent any and all acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 19. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this act is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this act. The electors hereby declare that they would have passed this act, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more other sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional.

EXISTING PROVISIONS.

Sections seven, nine, ten, eleven, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty-two and twenty-four of the state medical practice act, approved June 2, 1913, as amended, which is proposed to be modified in so far as the act relates to issuance of certificates to

chiropractics and regulation of the practice of chiropractic, read as follows:

(Provisions differing from proposed chiropractic act are printed in italics.)

Sec. 7. Every applicant for a certificate shall pay to the secretary of the board a fee of *twenty-five* dollars (\$25), which shall be paid to the treasurer of the board by said secretary. *In case the applicant's credentials are insufficient or in case he does not desire to take the examination, the sum of ten dollars (\$10) shall be retained, the remainder of the fee being returnable on application.*

Sec. 9. Every applicant must file with the board, *at least two weeks* prior to the regular meeting thereof, satisfactory testimonials of good moral character, and a diploma or diplomas issued by some legally chartered school or schools *approved by the board, the requirements of which school or schools shall have been at the time of granting such diploma or diplomas in no degree less than those required under this act, or satisfactory evidence of having possessed such diploma or diplomas, and must file an affidavit stating that he is the person named in said diploma or diplomas, and that he is the lawful holder thereof, and that the same was procured in the regular course of instruction and examination without fraud or misrepresentation: * * * provided, further, that an applicant for a "drugless practitioner certificate" must show that he has attended two courses of study, each such course to have been of not less than thirty-two weeks duration, but not necessarily pursued continuously or consecutively, * * *.*

The said application shall be made upon a blank furnished by said board and it shall contain such information concerning the medical instruction and the preliminary education of the applicant as the board may by rule prescribe. *In addition to the requirements hereinabove provided for, applicants for any form of certificate hereunder shall present to said board at the time of making such application a diploma from a California high school or other school in the State of California requiring and giving a full four years' course of same grade, or other schools elsewhere, requiring and giving a full four years' standard high school course, or its equivalent, approved by the board, together with satisfactory proof that he is the lawful holder of such diploma, and that the same was procured in the regular course of instruction. The passing of an examination before the entrance examining board for the entrance to the academic department of the University of California, or Stanford University or the University of Southern California, or in the possession of documentary evidence of admission to the academic department of such institutions as a regular student or in full standing shall be sufficient basic or preliminary educational qualifications. In lieu of such diploma, the applicant may present: (1) a certificate from the college entrance examination board, or*

*the college examining board of any state or territory showing that such applicant has successfully passed the examination of said board; or (2) if such applicant be thirty years or more of age he may show to the satisfaction of the board of medical examiners proof of preliminary education equivalent in training power to the foregoing requirements. * * **

Sec. 10. Applicants for any form of certificate shall file satisfactory evidence of having pursued in any legally chartered school or schools, *approved by the board*, a course of instruction covering and including the following minimum requirements:

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For a "Drugless Practitioner Certificate."

Group 1. 600 hours.

Anatomy 485 hours

Histology 115 hours

Group 2. 270 hours.

Elementary chemistry and toxicology 70 hours

Physiology 200 hours

Group 3. 235 hours.

Elementary bacteriology 40 hours

Hygiene 45 hours

Pathology 150 hours

Group 4. 370 hours.

Diagnosis 370 hours

Group 5. 260 hours.

Manipulative and mechanical therapy 260 hours

Group 6. 265 hours.

Gynecology 100 hours

Obstetrics 165 hours

Total 2,000 hours

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In the course of study herein outlined the hours required shall be actual work in the classroom, laboratory, clinic or hospital, and at least eighty (80) per cent of actual attendance shall be required; provided, that the hours herein required in any subject need not exceed seventy-five (75) per cent of the number specified, but that the total number of hours in all the subjects of each group shall not be less than the total number specified for such group.

Sec. 11. In addition to above requirements, * * * :

All applicants for "drugless practitioner certificates" must pass an examination in the following subjects:

1. Anatomy and histology.
2. Physiology.
3. General diagnosis.
4. Pathology and elementary bacteriology.
5. Obstetrics and gynecology.
6. Toxicology and elementary chemistry.
7. Hygiene and sanitation.

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All examinations shall be practical in character and designed to ascertain the applicant's fitness to practice his profession, *and shall be conducted in the English language, and at least a portion of the examination in each of the subjects shall be in writing. The board in its discretion upon the submission of satisfactory proof from the applicant that he is unable to meet the requirements of the examination in the English language, may allow the use of an interpreter either to be present in the examination room or to thereafter interpret and transcribe the answers of the applicant. The selection of such interpreter is to be left entirely to the*

*board and the expenses thereof to be borne by the applicant, the payment therefor to be made before such examination is held. There shall be at least ten questions on each subject, the answers to which shall be marked on a scale of zero to one hundred. Each applicant must obtain no less than a general average of seventy-five per cent, and not less than sixty per cent in any two subjects; provided, that any applicant shall be granted a credit of one per cent upon the general average for each year of actual practice since graduation; provided, further, that any applicant for * * * "drugless practitioner certificate" obtaining seventy-five per cent each in five subjects * * * shall be subsequently re-examined in those subjects only in which he failed, and without additional fee. Any person who at any time prior to January 1, 1916, shall pay to the secretary of said board the fee of twenty-five dollars and submits satisfactory proof of good moral character and of a resident one-year course of not less than one thousand hours in a legally chartered school approved by the board and satisfactory proof of three years of actual practice of a drugless system of the healing art, such three years of actual practice to have been in the State of California, shall be admitted to the drugless practitioner examination; * * * Any one who shall pay the fee of fifty dollars to the secretary of the board prior to January 1, 1916, and submits to the board satisfactory proof of good moral character and proof of six years' actual practice of a drugless system of the healing art, three years of which must have been in the State of California, and satisfactory proof of a resident one-year course of not less than one thousand hours in a legally chartered school approved by the board and upon proof of competency in a drugless system may be granted a certificate to practice a drugless system in this state; * * *.*

The examination papers shall form a part of the records of the board, and shall be kept on file by the secretary for a period of one year after each examination. In said examination the applicant shall be known and designated by number only, and the name attached to the number shall be kept secret until after the board has finally voted upon the application. The secretary of the board shall in no instance participate as an examiner in any examination held by the board. All questions on any subject in which examination is required under this act shall be provided by the board of medical examiners upon the morning of the day upon which examination is given in such subject, and when it shall be shown that the secretary or any member of the board has in any manner given information in advance of or during examination to any applicant it shall be the duty of the governor to remove such person from the board of medical examiners, or from the office of secretary.

All certificates issued hereunder must state the extent and character of practice which is permitted thereunder and shall be in such form as shall be prescribed by the board.

Sec. 13. Said board must also issue a certificate to practice a system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted recognized by this act or any preceding practice act in the State of California, to any applicant, without any examination, authorizing the holder thereof to practice a system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted in the State of California, upon payment of a registration fee of one hundred dollars, upon the following terms and conditions and upon satisfactory proof thereof, viz: The applicant shall produce a certificate entitling him to practice a system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted, as provided in this act or any preceding practice act of the State of California, issued either by the medical examining board, or by any other board or officer authorized by the law to issue a certificate entitling such applicant to practice a system or mode for treating the sick or afflicted either in the District of Columbia or in any state or territory of the United States, or if such certificate shall have been lost, then a copy thereof, with proof satisfactory to the board of medical examiners of the State of California that the copy is a correct copy. Said certificate must not have been issued to such applicant prior to the first day of August, 1901, and the requirements from the college from which such applicant may have graduated, and the requirements of the board which was legally authorized to issue such certificate permitting such applicant to practice a system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted shall not have been at the time such certificate was issued, in any degree or particular less than those which were required for the issuance of a similar certificate to practice a system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted in the State of California at the date of the issuance of such certificate, or which may hereafter be required by law and which may be in force at the date of the issuance of any such certificate; and provided, further, that said applicant shall furnish from the board which issued said certificate, evidence satisfactory to the board of medical examiners of the State of California showing what the requirements were of the college and of the board, issuing such certificate at the date of issuance. If, after an examination of such certificate, and the production on the part of the applicant of such further reasonable evidence of the said requirements as may be deemed necessary by the board of medical examiners of the State of California and any other or further examination or investigation which said board may see fit to make on its own part, it shall be found that the requirements of the board issuing such certificate were, when said certificate was issued, in any degree or particular less than the requirements provided by the law of the State of California at the date of the issuance of such certificate or that the applicant has not been a resident of the state from which the application is based for a period of one year subsequent to the issuance of such certificate he will not be entitled to practice within the State of California without an examination. An oral examination shall not be deemed to be of equal merit with a written examination and no certificate shall be issued in the case where a written examination was given in California and an applicant was given an oral examination in another state at the same time. The board is

hereby authorized to enter into a contract or contracts of reciprocity with other states wherein the standard of such states is not in any degree or particular less than were the requirements in the State of California in the same year, for the issuance of a certificate to practice a system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted, such certificate to be similar in scope of practice as the certificate issued in the other state; provided, however, that an application based upon a certificate to practice any system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted issued in the District of Columbia or in any state or territory prior to March 4, 1907, if refused or denied by reason of the insufficiency of the standard of such state or territory then such applicant may have the privilege of either a written or oral examination before the board at the option of the applicant. * * *

Sec. 14. Said board must refuse a certificate to any applicant guilty of unprofessional conduct. On the filing with the secretary of a sworn complaint, charging the applicant with having been guilty of unprofessional conduct, the secretary must forthwith issue a citation, under the seal of the board, and make the same returnable at the next regular session of said board, occurring at least thirty days next after filing the complaint. Such citation shall notify the applicant when and where the charges of said unprofessional conduct will be heard and that the applicant shall file his written answer, under oath, within twenty days next after the service on him of said citation or that default will be taken against him and his application for a certificate refused. The attendance of witnesses at such hearing may be compelled by subpoenas issued by the secretary of the board under its seal. Said citation and said subpoenas shall be served in accordance with the statutes of this state then in force as to the service of citation and subpoenas generally, and all the provisions of the statutes of this state then in force relating to subpoenas and to citations are hereby made applicable to the subpoenas and citations provided for herein. Upon the secretary's certifying to the fact of refusal of any person to obey a subpoena or citation to the superior court of the county in which the service was had, said court shall thereupon proceed to hear said matter in accordance with the statutes of this state then in force as to contempts for disobedience of process of the court, and should said court find that the subpoena or citation has been legally served, and that the party so served has wilfully disobeyed the same, it shall proceed to impose such penalty as provided in cases of contempt of court. In all cases of alleged unprofessional conduct, arising under this act, depositions of witnesses may be taken, the same as in civil cases and all the provisions of the statutes of this state then in force as to the taking of depositions are hereby made applicable to the taking of depositions under this act. If the applicant shall fail to file with the secretary of said board his answer, under oath, within twenty days after service on him of said citation, or within such further time as the board may allow, and the charges on their face shall be deemed sufficient by the board, default shall be entered against him, and his application refused. If the charges on their face be deemed

sufficient by the board, and issue be joined thereon by answer, the board shall proceed to determine the matter, and to that end shall hear such proper evidence as may be adduced before it; and if it appear to the satisfaction of the board that the applicant is guilty as charged, no certificate shall be issued to him. Whenever any holder of a certificate herein provided for is guilty of unprofessional conduct, as the same is defined in this act, and the said unprofessional conduct has been brought to the attention of the board granting said certificate, in the manner hereinafter provided or whenever a certificate has been procured by fraud or misrepresentation or issued by mistake or that the certificate upon which a reciprocity certificate has been issued was procured by fraud or misrepresentation or issued by mistake or the person holding such certificate is found to be practicing contrary to the provisions thereof and of this act, it shall be the duty of the board and the board shall have power to suspend the right of the holder of said certificate to practice for a period not exceeding one year or to place the holder of said certificate upon probation or suspend judgment in such cases or revoke his certificate, or take such other action in relation to the punishment of the holder of said certificate as in its discretion it may deem proper. In the event of such suspension, the holder of such certificate shall not be entitled to practice thereunder during the term of suspension; but, upon the expiration of the term of said suspension, he shall be reinstated by the board and shall be entitled to resume his practice, unless it shall be established to the satisfaction of the board that said person so suspended from practice, has, during the term of such suspension, practiced in the State of California, in which event the board shall revoke the certificate of such person. No such suspension or revocation shall be made unless such holder is cited to appear and the same proceedings are had as is hereinbefore provided in this section in case of refusal to issue certificates. Said secretary in all cases of suspension or revocation shall enter on his register the fact of such suspension or revocation, as the case may be, and shall certify the fact of such suspension or revocation under the seal of the board, to the county clerk of the counties in which the certificates of the person whose certificate has been revoked is recorded; and said clerk must thereupon write upon the margin or across the face of his register of the certificate of such person, the following: "*The holder of this certificate was on the day of suspended for ,*" or, "*This certificate was revoked on the day of ,*" as the case may be, giving the day, month and year of such revocation or length of suspension, as the case may be, in accordance with said certification to him by said secretary. The record of such suspension or revocation so made by said county clerk shall be prima facie evidence of the fact thereof, and of the regularity of all the proceedings of said board in the matter of *said suspension* or revocation, *provided, further, that the holder of any certificate which has been revoked or suspended by the board of medical examiners, may within twenty days after receiving notice of said revocation or suspension of his said license, appeal to the superior court of the State of California in the county or city and county in which such suspension or revocation was made by the board*

of medical examiners. Upon such appeal being taken by such person whose license has been revoked or suspended by the board of medical examiners in accordance with the provisions of this act, the said superior court shall have full power to review all of the proceedings and testimony taken in said hearing before the board of medical examiners, and to inquire into the sufficiency of the evidence upon which such suspension or revocation was made. If the court finds the evidence sufficient to sustain the judgment of the board, said judgment shall be upheld and affirmed, and if the court deems such evidence insufficient to justify the judgment of the board of medical examiners in revoking or suspending the license of the petitioner, said superior court shall have full power to annul or reverse said judgment. The words "unprofessional conduct" as used in this act, are hereby declared to mean:

First-The procuring or aiding or abetting or attempting or agreeing or offering to procure a criminal abortion.

Second-The wilfull [sic] betraying of a professional secret.

Third-All advertising of medical business which is intended or has a tendency to deceive the public or impose upon credulous or ignorant persons, and so be harmful or injurious to public morals or safety.

Fourth-All advertising of any medicine or of any means whereby the monthly periods of women can be regulated or the menses reestablished if suppressed.

Fifth-Conviction of any offense involving moral turpitude *in which case the record of such conviction shall be conclusive evidence.*

Sixth-Habitual intemperance or excessive use of cocaine, opium, morphine, codeine, heroin, alpha eucaine, beta eucaine, novocaine or chloral hydrate or any of the salts, derivatives or compounds of the foregoing substances *or the prescribing, selling, furnishing, giving away or offering to prescribe, sell, furnish, or give away such substances to a habitue who is not under the direct personal and continuous treatment and care of the physician for the cure of the above mentioned drugs.*

Seventh-The personation of another licensed practitioner or permitting *or allowing another person to use his certificate in the practice of any system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted.*

Seventh (a)-Employing directly or indirectly any suspended or unlicensed practitioner in the practice of any system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted or the aiding or abetting any unlicensed person to practice

any system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted.

Eighth-The use, by the holder of any certificate, in any sign or advertisement in connection with his said practice or in any advertisement or announcement of his practice, of any fictitious name, or any name other than his own.

Ninth-The use, by the holder of a "drugless practitioner certificate" of drugs or what are known as medicinal preparations, in or upon any human being, or the severing or penetrating by the holder of said "drugless practitioner certificate" of the tissues of any human being in the treatment of any disease, injury, deformity, or other physical or mental condition of such human being, excepting the severing of the umbilical cord.

Tenth-Advertising, announcing or stating, directly, indirectly, or in substance, by any sign, card, newspaper, advertisement or other written or printed sign or advertisement, that the holder of such certificate or any other person, company, or association by which he is employed or in whose service he is, will cure or attempt to cure, or will treat, any venereal disease, or will cure or attempt to cure or treat any person or persons for any sexual disease, for lost manhood, sexual weakness, or sexual disorder or any disease of the sexual organs; or being employed by, or being in the service of, any person, firm, association, or corporation so advertising, announcing or stating.

Eleventh-The use by the holder of any certificate of any letter, letters, word, words, or term or terms used either as prefix or affix or suffix indicating that such certificate holder is entitled to practice a system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted for which he was not licensed in the State of California.

Twelfth-The employment of "cappers" or "steerers" or other persons in procuring practice for a practitioner for a system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted provided for in this act.

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Sec. 15. Every person holding a certificate under the laws of this state authorizing him to practice *any system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted* in this state must have it recorded in the office of the county clerk of the county or counties in which the holder of said certificate is practicing his profession, *and the fact of such recordation shall be endorsed on the certificate by the county clerk recording the same.* Any person holding a certificate as aforesaid, who shall practice or attempt to practice *any system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted* in this state, without having first filed his certificate with the county clerk, as herein provided, shall be

deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished as hereinafter designated in this act.

Sec. 16. The county clerk shall keep in a book provided for the purpose a complete list of the certificates recorded by him, with the date of the record; and said book shall be open to public inspection during his office hours.

Sec. 17. Any person who shall practice or attempt to practice, or who advertises or holds himself out as practicing, any system or mode of treating the sick or afflicted in this state, or who shall diagnose, treat, operate for, or prescribe for, any disease, injury, deformity, or other mental or physical condition of any person, without having at the time of so doing a valid unrevoked certificate as provided in this act, or who shall in any sign or in any advertisement use the word "doctor," the letters or prefix "Dr.," the letters "M.D.," or any other term or letters indicating or implying that he is a doctor, physician, surgeon or practitioner, under the terms of this or any other act, or that he is entitled to practice hereunder, or under any other law without having at the time of so doing a valid unrevoked certificate as provided in this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished as designated in this act.

Sec. 18. Any person, or any member of any firm, or official of any company, association, organization or corporation shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punishable as designated in this act, who, individually or in his official capacity, shall himself sell or barter, or offer to sell or barter, any certificate authorized to be granted hereunder, or any diploma, affidavit, transcript, certificate or any other evidence required in this act for use in connection with the granting of certificates or diplomas, or who shall purchase or procure the same either directly or indirectly with intent that the same shall be fraudulently used, or who shall with fraudulent intent alter any diploma, certificate, transcript, affidavit, or any other evidence to be used in obtaining a diploma or certificate required hereunder or who shall use or attempt to use fraudulently any certificate, transcript, affidavit, or diploma, whether the same be genuine or false, or who shall practice or attempt to practice any system or treatment of the sick or afflicted, under a false or assumed name, or any name other than that prescribed by the board of medical examiners of the State of California on its certificate issued to such person authorizing him to administer such treatment, or who shall assume any degree or title not conferred upon him in the manner and by the authority recognized in this act, with intent to represent falsely that he has received such degree or title, or who shall wilfully make any false statement on any application for examination, license or registration under this act, or who shall engage in the treatment of the sick or afflicted without causing to be displayed in a conspicuous manner and in a conspicuous place in his office the name of

each and every person who is associated with or employed by him in the practice of medicine and surgery or other treatment of the sick or afflicted, or who shall, within ten days after demand made by the secretary of the board, fail to furnish to said board the name and address of all such persons associated with or employed by him or by any company or association with which he is or has been connected at any time within sixty days prior to said notice, together with a sworn statement showing under and by what license or authority said person or persons, or said employee or employees, is or are, or has or have been practicing medicine or surgery, or any other system of treatment of the sick or afflicted. It shall be the duty of any person or persons upon whom the board of medical examiners may make a demand for the name or names and address or addresses of a person or persons associated or employed by him or them to make affidavit that there are no such person or persons associated or employed by him or them, if such be the fact; provided, that such affidavit shall not be used as evidence against said person or employee in any proceedings under this action.

Sec. 19. Every person filing for record, or attempting to file for record, the certificate issued to another, falsely claiming himself to be the person named in or entitled to, such certificate, shall be guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be subject to such penalties as are provided by the laws of this state for the crime of forgery.

Sec. 22. Nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit service in the case of emergency, or the domestic administration of family remedies; nor shall this act apply to any commissioned medical officer in the United States army, navy or marine hospital, or public health service, in the discharge of his official duties; nor to any licensed dentist when engaged exclusively in the practice of dentistry. Nor shall this act apply to any *practitioner* from another state or territory, when in actual consultation with a licensed *practitioner* of this state, if such practitioner is, at the time of such consultation, a licensed *practitioner* in the state or territory in which he resides; provided, that such *practitioner* shall not open an office or appoint a place to meet patients or receive calls within the limits of this state. Nor shall this act be construed so as to discriminate against any particular school of *medicine* or *surgery*, or any other treatment, nor to regulate, prohibit or to apply to, any kind of treatment by prayer, nor to interfere in any way with the practice of religion. *Nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent a student regularly matriculated in any legally chartered school or schools approved by the board from treating without compensation to such student the sick or afflicted as a part of his course of study.*

Sec. 24. This act when referred to, cited or amended may be designated as the state medical practice act, and for a violation of any provision of this act, the said violator shall be guilty of a misdemeanor,

unless otherwise specifically provided in this act, and shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than six hundred dollars or by imprisonment for a term of not less than sixty days nor more than one hundred eighty days or by both such fine and imprisonment. The fines or forfeitures of bail in any case wherein any person is charged with a violation of the provisions of this act shall be paid upon the collection by the proper officer of the court seventy-five per cent thereof to the state treasurer to be deposited to the credit of the contingent fund of the board of medical examiners and such payment to said treasurer shall be made without placing such fine or forfeiture of bail in any special or contingent or general fund of any county, city and county, city, or township. The balance or twenty-five per cent of such fines or forfeitures of bail shall be paid to the county wherein the case is pending.