SENATE BILL NO. 515-COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND LABOR

(ON BEHALF OF NEVADA STATE BOARD OF HOMEOPATHIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS)

MARCH 26, 2001

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Prohibits person from advertising himself as qualified to practice homeopathic medicine if he does not possess requisite license or certificate. (BDR 54-578)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to homeopathic medicine; prohibiting a person from advertising himself as qualified to practice homeopathic medicine if he does not possess the requisite license or certificate; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 630A.220 is hereby amended to read as follows: 630A.220 1. It is unlawful for any person:

(a) To practice homeopathic medicine;

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(b) To hold himself out, *or advertise himself*, as qualified to practice homeopathic medicine; or

(c) To use in connection with his name the words or letters "H.M.D." or any other title, word, letter or other designation intended to imply or designate him as a practitioner of homeopathic medicine,

in this state without first obtaining a license so to do as provided in this chapter.

2. A physician licensed pursuant to this chapter who holds a degree such as doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy may identify himself by that degree or its appropriate abbreviation, but unless he is also licensed pursuant to chapter 630 or 633 of NRS must further identify himself by the words "practitioner of homeopathic medicine" or their equivalent.



- **Sec. 2.** NRS 630A.600 is hereby amended to read as follows: 630A.600 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 629.091, a person who practices, *or advertises himself as qualified to practice*, homeopathic medicine without a license or certificate issued pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a category D felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 102.120
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- 193.130.
 - Sec. 3. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.



