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HOUSE BILL NO. 28

BY HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO PROFESSIONS, VOCATIONS, AND BUSINESSES; AMENDING TITLE 54, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW CHAPTER 1, TITLE 54, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE A SHORT TITLE AND TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING THE IDAHO ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS BOARD; AMENDING SECTION 54-2203, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE IDAHO ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS BOARD AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; REPEALING SECTION 54-2205, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO THE PHYSICAL THERAPY LICENSURE BOARD; AMENDING SECTION 54-3502, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE IDAHO ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSION-ALS BOARD AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; REPEALING SECTION 54-3504, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO THE DIETETIC LICENSURE BOARD; AMENDING SEC-TION 54-3505, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE DIETETIC LICENSURE BOARD AND THE BOARD OF MEDICINE AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL COR-RECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 54-3510A, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE A PROVISION REGARDING THE BOARD OF MEDICINE; AMENDING SECTION 54-3702, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE IDAHO ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS BOARD AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; REPEALING SECTION 54-3714, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY LICENSURE BOARD; AMENDING SECTION 54-3717, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY LICENSURE BOARD; AMENDING SECTION 54-3902, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE IDAHO ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS BOARD, TO REMOVE A PROVISION REGARDING THE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL COR-RECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 54-3903, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE A PROVISION REGARDING BOARD REGISTRATION AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMEND-ING SECTION 54-3906, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMEND-ING SECTION 54-3907, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE A PROVISION REGARDING THE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION; AMEND-ING SECTION 54-3908, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE A PROVISION REGARDING THE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS; AMENDING SECTION 54-3909, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 54-3910, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS AND TO MAKE TECH-NICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 54-3911, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE A PROVISION REGARDING THE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS AND TO MAKE TECHNI-CAL CORRECTIONS; REPEALING SECTION 54-3912, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO THE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS; AMENDING SECTION 54-3913, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; REPEALING SECTION 54-3914, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO COMPENSATION OF THE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS; REPEALING SECTION 54-3915, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS OF THE BOARD OF MEDICINE; AMENDING CHAPTER 39, TITLE 54, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 54-3915, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR FEES RECEIVED BY THE BOARD; AMENDING SECTION 54-4303, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE IDAHO ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS BOARD AND TO REMOVE A PROVISION REGARDING A

1 LICENSURE BOARD; REPEALING SECTION 54-4304, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO A
2 LICENSURE BOARD; AMENDING SECTION 54-4305, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR
3 THE IDAHO ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS BOARD AND TO REMOVE PROVISIONS
4 REGARDING THE BOARD OF MEDICINE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

5 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Title 54, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a <u>NEW CHAPTER</u>, to be known and designated as Chapter 1, Title 54, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

9 CHAPTER 1 10 ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS PRACTICE ACT

54-101. SHORT TITLE. This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Allied Health Professionals Practice Act."

- 54-102. ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS BOARD. (1) There is hereby created in the division of occupational and professional licenses the Idaho allied health professionals board.
- (2) The Idaho allied health professionals board shall consist of nine (9) members who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the governor, two (2) of whom shall be licensed physical therapists under chapter 22, title 54, Idaho Code, one (1) of whom shall be a licensed dietitian under chapter 35, title 54, Idaho Code, two (2) of whom shall be licensed occupational therapists under chapter 37, title 54, Idaho Code, one (1) of whom shall be a licensed athletic trainer under chapter 39, title 54, Idaho Code, two (2) of whom shall be licensed respiratory therapists under chapter 43, title 54, Idaho Code, and one (1) of whom shall be a member of the public with an interest in the rights of consumers of allied health professional services.
- (3) Each member may serve a maximum of two (2) consecutive terms, with each term consisting of a five (5) year period. A partial term of less than five (5) years shall not constitute a term for purposes of this subsection.
- (4) An election of the board chair and vice chair shall occur on an annual basis. Any appointed member of the board is eligible to serve as chair or vice chair.
- (5) A quorum is established if a majority of appointed members are present at the board meeting.
- (6) The board shall meet at least once annually. Additional meetings may be held at the call of the chair or at the request of any two (2) members of the board.
- (7) Any association or individual residing in this state may submit a board member recommendation to the governor. The governor shall consider but is not bound by any such recommendation.
- SECTION 2. That Section 54-2203, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 54-2203. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter:

(1) "Applicant" means a person applying for a license or permit under this chapter.

- (2) "Board" means the Idaho physical therapy licensure board allied health professionals board created pursuant to chapter 1, title 54, Idaho Code.
 - (3) "Department" means the department of self-governing agencies.
- (4) "Division" means the division of occupational and professional licenses.
- (5) "Dry needling" means a skilled intervention performed by a physical therapist that uses a thin filiform needle to penetrate the skin and stimulate underlying neural, muscular and connective tissues for the evaluation and management of neuromusculoskeletal conditions, pain and movement impairments.
- (6) "License" means a document issued by the board to a person under this chapter authorizing the person to practice as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant.
- (7) "Physical therapist" means a person licensed under the provisions of this chapter to engage in the practice of physical therapy.
- (8) "Physical therapist assistant" means a person who meets the requirements of this chapter and who performs physical therapy procedures and related tasks that have been selected and delegated only by a supervising physical therapist.
- (9) "Physical therapy" means the care and services provided by or under the direction and supervision of a physical therapist.
- (10) "Practice of physical therapy" means the exercise of the profession of physical therapy by a person who engages in the following health care activities:
 - (a) Examining, evaluating and testing individuals with mechanical, physiological and developmental impairments, functional limitations, and disability or other health and movement-related conditions in order to determine a diagnosis for physical therapy and prognosis for physical therapy, and a plan of therapeutic intervention, and to assess the ongoing effects of intervention;
 - (b) Alleviating impairments and functional limitations by designing, implementing and modifying therapeutic interventions that include, but are not limited to: therapeutic exercise; functional mobility training in self-care and in-home, community or work reintegration; manual therapy; assistive, adaptive, protective and supportive devices and equipment; bronchopulmonary hygiene; debridement and wound care; physical agents or modalities; mechanical and electrotherapeutic modalities; and patient-related instruction; and to reduce reducing the risk of injury, impairment, functional limitation, and disability, including the promotion and maintenance of fitness, health, and quality of life in all age populations. The practice of physical therapy shall not include the use of radiology, surgery or medical diagnosis of disease; and
 - (c) Engaging in administration, consultation, testing, education and research as related to paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection.
- (11) "Supportive personnel" means a person or persons trained under the direction of a physical therapist who performs designated and supervised routine physical therapy tasks.

SECTION 3. That Section $\underline{54-2205}$, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. That Section 54-3502, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

54-3502. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Academy of nutrition and dietetics" means the national organization that credentials dietetics professionals and accredits undergraduate and graduate programs that prepare dietetics professionals.
- (2) "Accreditation council for education in nutrition and dietetics" or "ACEND" means the accrediting organization of the academy of nutrition and dietetics that is recognized by the United States department of education as the accrediting agency for education programs that prepare dietetics professionals.
- (3) "Board" means the Idaho state board of medicine allied health professionals board created pursuant to chapter 1, title 54, Idaho Code.
- (4) "Commission on dietetic registration" or "CDR" means the credentialing organization of the academy of nutrition and dietetics that awards and administers credentials to individuals at entry, specialist and advanced levels who have met CDR's specified criteria to practice in the dietetics profession, including successful completion of its national accredited certification examination and recertification by continuing professional education and/or examination.
- (5) "Dietetics" means the integration, application and communication of principles derived from food, nutrition, social, business and basic sciences to achieve and maintain optimal nutrition status of individuals through the development, provision and management of effective food and nutrition services in a variety of settings.
- (6) "Dietitian" means a person licensed under the provisions of this chapter as a licensed dietitian (LD) who:
 - (a) Is trained in the science of nutrition and dietetics and who has met current minimum academic requirements with successful completion of specified didactic education and supervised practice experiences through programs accredited by ACEND or a similar agency approved by the board with substantially equivalent educational requirements; and
 - (b) Has successfully completed the registration examination for dietitians administered by the CDR or a similar agency approved by the board with a substantially equivalent examination and has been granted and maintains the title registered dietitian (RD) or registered dietitian nutritionist (RDN).
- (7) "Evidence-based dietetics practice" means the process of asking questions, and systematically finding research evidence and assessing its validity, applicability and importance to food and nutrition practice decisions, including the application of relevant evidence in the context of the practice situation and the values of clients, customers and communities to achieve positive outcomes.
- $\ensuremath{\texttt{(8)}}$ "Licensure board" means the dietetic licensure board established by this chapter.
- $\frac{(9)}{(8)}$ "Medical nutrition therapy" or "MNT" means an evidence-based application of the nutrition care process. The provision of MNT to a

patient/client patient or client
lowing: nutrition assessment or reassessment, nutrition diagnosis, and
nutrition intervention for the prevention, delay or management of diseases
or conditions.

- (10) (9) "Nutrition care process" means a systematic approach to providing high-quality nutrition care that consists of four (4) distinct, interrelated steps:
 - (a) Nutrition assessment, which means a systematic method for obtaining, verifying and interpreting data needed to identify nutrition-related problems, their causes and their significance;
 - (b) Nutrition diagnosis, which means the identification of a specific nutrition problem that a dietitian is responsible for treating independently;
 - (c) Nutrition intervention, which means a purposefully planned action intended to positively change a nutrition-related behavior, environmental condition or aspect of health status for the patient/client patient or client and family or caregivers, target group or the community at large; and
 - (d) Nutrition monitoring and evaluation, in which:

- (i) Nutrition monitoring means the preplanned review and measurement of selected nutrition care indicators of the patient/client's patient's or client's status relevant to the defined needs, nutrition diagnosis, nutrition intervention and outcomes; and
- (ii) Nutrition evaluation means the systematic comparison of current findings with the previous status, nutrition intervention goals, effectiveness of overall nutrition care or comparison to a reference standard.
- $\frac{(11)}{(10)}$ "Provisionally licensed dietitian" means a person provisionally licensed under the provisions of this chapter.
- SECTION 5. That Section $\underline{54-3504}$, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.
- SECTION 6. That Section 54-3505, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 54-3505. BOARD OF MEDICINE AND DIETETIC LICENSURE BOARD -- POWERS AND DUTIES -- FUNDS. (1) The board of medicine shall administer, coordinate, and enforce the provisions of this chapter and, for that purpose, may hire such employees as may be necessary. The dietetic licensure board shall make recommendations to, and consult with, the board shall make determinations concerning qualification of applicants for licensure, issuance of licenses, discipline of licensees, and rules to be promulgated under this chapter.
- (2) The board of medicine may, upon recommendation of the dietetic licensure board, may adopt rules pursuant to chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code, necessary to implement the provisions of this chapter, including, but not limited to, rules relating to professional licensure, examination, the establishment of ethical standards of practice, disciplinary proceedings and license suspension, and restriction or revocation for persons holding a license to practice dietetics in this state.

(3) The <u>dietetic licensure</u> board shall hold meetings, conduct hearings, and keep records and minutes as are necessary to carry out its functions.

- (4) All fees received under the provisions of this chapter shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the occupational licenses fund, and all costs and expenses incurred by the board and dietetic licensure board under the provisions of this chapter shall be a charge against and paid from said fund for such purposes, and the funds collected hereunder pursuant to this section shall be immediately available for the administration of this chapter. Money paid into the occupational licenses fund pursuant to this chapter is hereby continuously appropriated to the board for expenditure in the manner prescribed herein to defray the expenses of the board and dietetic licensure board in carrying out and enforcing the provisions of this chapter.
- SECTION 7. That Section 54-3510A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 54-3510A. DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS. If grounds for discipline are found to exist, the board of medicine, upon the recommendation of the licensure board, may issue an order to:
 - (1) Revoke the dietitian's license to practice dietetics;
- (2) Suspend or restrict the dietitian's license to practice dietetics; and/or
- (3) Impose conditions or probation upon the dietitian's license to practice dietetics.
- SECTION 8. That Section 54-3702, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 54-3702. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter:
 - (1) "Association" means the Idaho occupational therapy association.
- (2) "Board" means the occupational therapy licensure board of Idaho as set out in section 54-3717, Idaho Code Idaho allied health professionals board created pursuant to chapter 1, title 54, Idaho Code.
 - (3) "Department" means the department of self-governing agencies.
- (4) "Division" means the division of occupational and professional licenses.
- (5) "Good standing" means the individual's license is not currently suspended or revoked by any state regulatory entity.
- (6) "Graduate occupational therapist" means a person who holds a certificate of graduation from an approved occupational therapy curriculum, who has submitted a completed application for certification by examination, and who may practice occupational therapy in association with and under the supervision of an occupational therapist and under authority of a limited permit.
- (7) "Graduate occupational therapy assistant" means a person who holds a certificate of graduation from an approved occupational therapy assistant curriculum, who has submitted a completed application for licensure by examination under this chapter, and $\underline{\text{who}}$ is performing the duties of $\underline{\text{an}}$ occupa-

tional therapy assistant in association with and under the supervision of an occupational therapist and under the authority of a limited permit.

- (8) "License" means a document issued by the board to a person under this chapter authorizing the \underline{a} person to practice as an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant.
- (9) "Occupational therapist" means a person licensed under this chapter to practice occupational therapy.
- (10) "Occupational therapy" means the care and services provided by or under the direction and supervision of an occupational therapist.
- (11) "Aide in the delivery of occupational therapy services" means a person who is not licensed by the board and who provides supportive services to occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants. An aide shall function only under the guidance, responsibility and line_of_sight supervision of the licensed occupational therapist or an occupational therapy assistant who is appropriately supervised by an occupational therapist. The aide provides only specifically selected client-related or nonclient-related tasks for which the aide has been trained and has demonstrated competence.
- (12) "Occupational therapy assistant" means a person licensed under this chapter to practice occupational therapy and who works under the supervision of an occupational therapist.
- (13) "Practice of occupational therapy" means the therapeutic use of everyday life activities (occupations) with individuals or groups for the purpose of participation in roles and situations in home, school, workplace, community, and other settings. Occupational therapy services are provided for the purpose of promoting health and wellness and to those who have or are at risk for of developing an illness, injury, disease, disorder, condition, impairment, disability, activity limitation, or participation restriction. Occupational therapy addresses the physical, cognitive, psychosocial, sensory, and other aspects of performance in a variety of contexts to support engagement in everyday life activities that affect health, well-being and quality of life. The practice of occupational therapy includes:
 - (a) Development of occupation-based plans, methods or strategies selected to direct the process of interventions such as:
 - (i) Establishment, remediation, or restoration of a skill or ability that has not yet developed or is impaired.
 - (ii) Compensation, modification, or adaptation of activity or environment to enhance performance.
 - (iii) Maintenance and enhancement of capabilities without which performance in everyday life activities would decline.
 - (iv) Health promotion and wellness to enable or enhance performance in everyday life activities.
 - (v) Prevention of barriers to performance, including disability prevention.
 - (b) Evaluation of factors affecting a client's occupational performance areas of activities of daily living (ADL), instrumental activities of daily living (IADL), rest and sleep, education, work, play, leisure, and social participation, including:
 - (i) Client factors, including body functions (such as neuromus-cular, sensory, visual, perceptual, cognitive), values, beliefs,

and spirituality, and body structures (such as cardiovascular, digestive, integumentary, genitourinary systems).

- (ii) Performance patterns, including habits, routines, roles, and behavior patterns.
- (iii) Contexts and activity demands that affect performance, including cultural, physical, environmental, social, virtual and temporal.
- (iv) Performance skills, including sensory perceptual skills, motor and praxis skills, emotional regulation skills, cognitive skills, communication and social skills.
- (c) Interventions and procedures to promote or enhance safety and performance in activities of daily living (ADL), instrumental activities of daily living (IADL), education, work, play, leisure, and social participation, rest and sleep, including:
 - (i) Therapeutic use of occupations, exercises, and activities.
 - (ii) Training in self-care, self-management, home management, and community/work reintegration.
 - (iii) Development, remediation, or compensation of physical, cognitive, neuromuscular, sensory functions and behavioral skills.
 - (iv) Therapeutic use of self, including one's personality, insights, perceptions, and judgments, as part of the therapeutic process.
 - (v) Education and training of individuals, including family members, caregivers, and others.
 - (vi) Care coordination, case management, and transition services.
 - (vii) Consultative services to groups, programs, organizations, or communities.
 - (viii) Modification of environments (home, work, school, or community) and adaptation of processes, including the application of ergonomic principles.
 - (ix) Assessment, design, fabrication, application, fitting, and training in assistive technology, adaptive devices, orthotic devices, and prosthetic devices.
 - (x) Assessment, recommendation, and training in techniques to enhance functional mobility, including wheelchair management.
 - (xi) Driver rehabilitation and community mobility.
 - (xii) Management of feeding, eating, and swallowing to enable eating and feeding performance.
 - (xiii) Application of superficial, thermal and mechanical physical agent modalities, and use of a range of specific therapeutic procedures (such as basic wound management; techniques to enhance sensory, perceptual, and cognitive processing; therapeutic exercise techniques to facilitate participation in occupations) to enhance performance skills.
 - (xiv) Use of specialized knowledge and skills as attained through continuing education and experience for the application of deep thermal and electrotherapeutic modalities, therapeutic procedures specific to occupational therapy and wound care management

for treatment to enhance participation in occupations as defined by rules adopted by the board.

- (d) Engaging in administration, consultation, testing, education and research as related to paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of this subsection and further established in rule.
- SECTION 9. That Section $\underline{54-3714}$, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.
- SECTION 10. That Section 54-3717, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 54-3717. OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY LICENSURE BOARD OF IDAHO -- POWERS AND DUTIES. (1) The licensure board shall administer, coordinate, and enforce the provisions of this chapter, evaluate the qualifications, and approve the examinations for licensure under this chapter, and may issue subpoenas, examine witnesses, and administer oaths, and may investigate practices that are alleged to violate the provisions of this chapter.
- (2) The licensure board shall adopt rules and regulations, pursuant to chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code, relating to professional conduct to carry out the policy of this chapter including, but not limited to, regulations relating to professional licensure and to the establishment of ethical standards of practice, disciplinary proceedings, license suspension proceedings, or license revocation proceedings for persons holding a license to practice occupational therapy in this state.
- (3) The licensure board shall hold meetings, conduct hearings and keep records and minutes as are necessary to carry out its functions.
- (4) Authorize, by written agreement, the division of occupational and professional licenses to act as its agent in its interests as set out in the written agreement.
- (5) (3) Communicate The board may communicate disciplinary actions to relevant state and federal authorities, the national board for certification in occupational therapy (NBCOT), the American occupational therapy association (AOTA) and to other state occupational licensing authorities.
- $\frac{\text{(6)}}{\text{(4)}}$ Adopt The board may adopt rules requiring continuing education for the renewal of a license.
- SECTION 11. That Section 54-3902, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

54-3902. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Athlete" means a person who participates in exercises, sports, or games requiring physical strength, agility, flexibility, range of motion, speed or stamina and which exercises, sports or games are of the type generally conducted in association with an educational institution or professional, amateur or recreational sports club or organization.
- (2) "Athletic injury" means a physical injury, harm, hurt or common condition (such as heat disorders), incurred by an athlete, preventing or limiting participation in athletic activity, sports or recreation, which that athletic trainers are educated to evaluate and treat or refer to the directing physician.

- (3) "Athletic trainer" means a person who has met the qualifications for licensure as set forth in this chapter, is licensed under this chapter, and carries out the practice of athletic training under the direction of a designated Idaho licensed physician, registered with the board or a designated Idaho licensed chiropractic physician.
- (4) "Athletic training" means the application by a licensed athletic trainer of principles and methods of:
 - (a) Prevention of athletic injuries;
 - (b) Recognition, evaluation and assessment of athletic injuries and conditions;
 - (c) Immediate care of athletic injuries including common emergency medical situations;
 - (d) Rehabilitation and reconditioning of athletic injuries;
 - (e) Athletic training services administration and organization; and
 - (f) Education of athletes.

- (5) "Board" means the Idaho state board of medicine allied health professionals board created pursuant to chapter 1, title 54, Idaho Code.
- (6) "Board of athletic trainers" means the Idaho board of athletic trainers established in this chapter.
- (7) (6) "Directing physician" means a designated person duly licensed to practice medicine in Idaho, registered with the board or a designated Idaho licensed chiropractic physician, who is responsible for the athletic training services provided by the athletic trainer and oversees the practice of athletic training of the athletic trainer, as established by board rule. This chapter does not authorize the practice of medicine or any of its branches by a person not so licensed by the board.
 - (a) This direction will be provided by verbal order when the directing physician is present and by written order or by athletic training service plans or protocols, as established by board rule, when the directing physician is not present.
 - (b) Upon referral from a physician licensed in another state and in good standing, the practice of athletic training or physical rehabilitation and/or reconditioning shall be carried out under the written orders of the referring physician and in collaboration with the directing physician.
- SECTION 12. That Section 54-3903, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 54-3903. SCOPE OF PRACTICE. The scope of practice of athletic trainers under the direction of the \underline{a} designated Idaho licensed physician, registered with the board, or a designated Idaho licensed chiropractic physician, includes:
- (1) Prevention of athletic injuries by designing and implementing physical conditioning programs, performing preparticipation screenings, fitting protective equipment, designing and constructing protective products and continuously monitoring changes in the environment.
- (2) Recognition and evaluation of athletic injuries by obtaining a history of the injury, individual inspection of the injured body part and associated structures and palpatation palpation of bony landmarks and soft tissue structures. Immediate care of athletic injuries may require initia-

tion of cardiopulmonary resuscitation, administration of basic or advanced first aid, removal of athletic equipment, $\underline{\text{or}}$ immobilization and transportation of the injured athlete. Concurrent with athletic training service plans or protocols, the athletic trainer will determine if the athlete may return to participation or, if the injury requires further definitive care, the athletic trainer will refer the injured athlete to the appropriate directing physician.

- (3) Rehabilitation and reconditioning of athletic injuries by administering therapeutic exercise and physical modalities, including cryotherapy, thermotherapy, and intermittent compression or mechanical devices as directed by established, written athletic training service plans or protocols or upon the order of the directing physician.
- (4) Athletic training services administration includes implementing athletic training service plans or protocols, writing organizational policies and procedures, complying with governmental and institutional standards and maintaining records to document services rendered.
- (5) Education of athletes to facilitate physical conditioning and reconditioning by designing and implementing appropriate programs to minimize the risk of injury.
- (6) The scope of practice excludes any independent practice of athletic training by an athletic trainer. An athlete with an athletic injury not incurred in association with an educational institution, or a professional, amateur or recreational sports club or organization shall be referred by a directing physician, but only after such directing physician has first evaluated the athlete and referred such athlete to the athletic trainer.

SECTION 13. That Section 54-3906, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

54-3906. QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSURE. An applicant for an athletic trainer license must possess the following qualifications:

- (1) Have received a bachelor's or advanced degree from an accredited four (4) year college or university and $\underline{\text{have}}$ met the minimum athletic training curriculum requirement established by the board of athletic trainers and adopted by board rule.;
- (2) Have successfully completed the certification examination administered by the national athletic trainers' association board of certification or equivalent examination approved or recognized by the board as recommended by the board of athletic trainers.;
- (3) Be in good standing with and provide documentation of current certification by the national athletic trainers' association or a nationally recognized credentialing agency, adopted approved by the board as recommended by the board of athletic trainers.; and
- (4) Submit an application to the board of athletic trainers on forms prescribed by the board and pay the licensure fee required under this chapter.

SECTION 14. That Section 54-3907, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

54-3907. FEES. The board, upon recommendation of the board of athletic trainers, shall adopt rules establishing fees for the following:

(1) Initial licensure fee;

- (2) Renewal of licensure fee;
- (3) Provisional licensure fee;
- (4) Inactive licensure fee;
- (5) Application and renewal fees. Necessary nonrefundable fees shall be made for the exact amount of the transaction and accompany all applications for initial licensure and renewal.; and
- (6) Extraordinary expenses. In those situations where the processing of an application for initial licensure or renewal requires extraordinary expenses, the board may charge the applicant reasonable fees to cover all or part of the extraordinary expenses.

SECTION 15. That Section 54-3908, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

54-3908. PROVISIONAL LICENSURE. The board, based upon the recommendation of the board of athletic trainers, may issue provisional licensure to applicants who are actively engaged in preparing themselves to meet the qualifications prescribed in this chapter. A provisional license shall be valid for a term of one (1) year, but may be renewed only twice, at the discretion of the board upon recommendation of the board of athletic trainers.

SECTION 16. That Section 54-3909, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 54-3909. ISSUANCE OF LICENSURE. (1) The board, based upon recommendation of the board of athletic trainers, shall issue a license to any person who meets the requirements of this chapter upon receipt of an application and payment of the prescribed fees.
- (2) The board, upon recommendation of the board of athletic trainers, may refuse to issue or renew the license of an applicant who has been convicted of an offense or disciplined by an athletic trainer licensing body in a manner that bears, in the judgment of the board, a demonstrable relationship to the ability of the applicant to practice athletic training in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, or who has falsified an application for licensure, or the board may refuse any applicant for any cause described under section 54-3911, Idaho Code.

SECTION 17. That Section 54-3910, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 54-3910. RENEWAL OF LICENSURE. (1) Any licensure issued under this chapter shall be subject to renewal and shall expire unless renewed in the manner prescribed by the rules of the board. The board, upon recommendation of the board of athletic trainers, may reinstate a licensure canceled for failure to renew upon compliance with requirements of the board for renewal of licenses.
 - (a) A license shall be issued for a period of not less than one (1) year nor more than five (5) years, in conformance with administrative rules

adopted by the board. Each license shall set forth its expiration date on the face of the certificate. The failure of any licensee to renew his or her license, as required herein and by the rules of the board, shall not deprive such person of the right to renewal, except as provided for in this chapter.

- (b) Fees for renewal of licensure of athletic trainers shall be fixed by the board in its rules.
- (c) All licensed athletic trainers must be in good standing with and provide documentation of current certification by the national athletic trainers' association board of certification or a nationally recognized credentialing agency, accepted by the board. All athletic trainers holding current Idaho registration/licensure who are not certified by the national athletic trainers' association board of certification or a nationally recognized credentialing agency, accepted by the board, are required to provide documentation of successful completion of eighty (80) hours of board-approved continuing educational units during each three (3) year reporting period on forms provided by the board.
- (d) All licensed athletic trainers shall report to the board any name change or changes in business and home addresses thirty (30) days after the change becomes final.
- (2) Reinstatement of licensure.

- (a) Reinstatement of a license that has lapsed for a period of three
- (3) consecutive years shall require good standing with and documentation of current certification by the national athletic trainers' association board of certification or a nationally recognized credentialing agency accepted by the board.
- (b) Reinstatement of a license that has lapsed for a period of three (3) consecutive years shall require the payment of a renewal fee and reinstatement fee in accordance with the rules adopted by the board, provided however, that no reinstatement fee shall be greater than fifty
- provided however, that no reinstatement fee shall be greater than fifty dollars (\$50.00).
- (c) Reinstatement of a license that has lapsed for a period of more than three (3) consecutive years shall require reapplying for a license and payment of fees in accordance with the rules adopted by the board. The applicant shall successfully demonstrate to the board, upon recommendation of the board of athletic trainers, competency in the practice of athletic training. The board, upon recommendation of the board of athletic trainers, may also require the applicant to take an examination, remedial courses, or both, as shall be recommended by the board of athletic trainers.
- (3) Upon application and recommendation by the board of athletic trainers, the board shall grant inactive status to a licensed athletic trainer who:
 - (a) Does not practice as an athletic trainer; and
 - (b) Is in good standing with and provides documentation of current certification by the national athletic trainers' association board of certification or a nationally recognized credentialing agency τ accepted by the board.

SECTION 18. That Section 54-3911, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

54-3911. DENIAL -- SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION OF LICENSE -- REFUSAL TO RENEW. (1) Subject to the provisions of chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code, the board, upon recommendation of the board of athletic trainers, may deny a license or refuse to renew a license, or may suspend or revoke a license or may impose probationary conditions if the applicant for licensure has been found guilty of unprofessional conduct which that has endangered or is likely to endanger the health, welfare, or safety of the public. All petitions for reconsideration of a denial of a license application or reinstatement application must be made to the board within one (1) year from the date of the denial. Such unprofessional conduct includes, but is not limited to:

- (a) Obtaining licensure by means of fraud, misrepresentation, or concealment of material facts;
- (b) Being guilty of unprofessional conduct, negligence or incompetence in the practice of athletic training as defined by the rules established by the board, or violating the code of ethics adopted and published by the board;
- (c) Being convicted of a felony by a court of competent jurisdiction;
- (d) The unauthorized practice of medicine;

- (e) Use of any advertising statements that deceive or mislead the public or that are untruthful;
- (f) Making statements that the licensee knows, or should have known, are false or misleading regarding skill or efficacy or value of treatment or remedy administered by the licensee in the treatment of any condition pertaining to athletic training;
- (g) Practicing or offering to practice beyond the scope of athletic training as defined in this chapter or which fails to meet the standard of athletic training provided by other qualified athletic trainers in the same or similar community;
- (h) Performance of services while under the influence of alcohol, controlled substances or other skill-impairing substances so as to create a risk of harm to a client;
- (i) Commission of any act of sexual contact, misconduct, exploitation or intercourse with a client or former client or related to the licensee's practice of athletic training;
 - 1. Consent of the client shall not be a defense;
 - 2. This paragraph shall not apply to sexual contact between an athletic trainer and the athletic trainer's spouse or a person in a domestic relationship who is also a client;
 - 3. A former client includes a client for whom the athletic trainer has provided athletic training services within the last twelve (12) months;
 - 4. Sexual or romantic relationship with a former client beyond the period of time set forth herein may also be a violation if the athletic trainer uses or exploits the trust, knowledge, emotions or influence derived from the prior professional relationship with the client;

(j) Having been judged mentally incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction;

- (k) Aiding or abetting a person not licensed in this state who directly or indirectly performs activities requiring a license;
- (1) Failing to report to the board any act or omission of a licensee, applicant, or any other person, which $\underline{\text{that}}$ violates any provision of this chapter;
- (m) Interfering with an investigation or disciplinary proceeding by willful misrepresentation of facts or by use of threats or harassment against any client or witness to prevent them from providing evidence in a disciplinary proceeding, investigation or other legal action;
- (n) Failing to maintain client confidentiality unless otherwise required by law;
- (o) Failing to maintain adequate records. For purposes of this paragraph, "adequate records" means legible records that contain, at a minimum, the athletic training service plan or protocol, written orders, an evaluation of objective findings, the plan of care and the treatment records;
- (p) Promoting unnecessary devices, treatment, intervention or service for the financial gain of the practitioner or of a third party;
- (q) Violating any provisions of this chapter or any of the rules promulgated by the board under the authority of this chapter.
- (2) A denial of an application for licensure or application for reinstatement shall be considered a contested case as provided for in chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code, and be subject to the provisions of that chapter, as well as the rules adopted by the board governing contested cases.
- (3) Any person who shall be aggrieved by any action of the board in denying, refusing to renew, suspending or revoking a licensure, issuing a censure, imposing any restriction upon a licensee, or imposing any fine, may seek judicial review thereof in accordance with the provisions of chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code.
- SECTION 19. That Section 54-3912, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.
- SECTION 20. That Section 54-3913, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 54-3913. BOARD OF MEDICINE AND BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS -- POWERS AND DUTIES. (1) The board shall administer, coordinate, and enforce the provisions of this chapter, evaluate the qualifications and fitness of applicants, and approve the applications for licensure under this chapter, and may issue subpoenas, examine witnesses, and administer oaths, and may investigate practices which are alleged to violate the provisions of this chapter. The board of athletic trainers shall evaluate all applicants for qualification and fitness for licensure and make recommendations to and consult with the board concerning issuance of licenses, revocation of licenses and rules to be promulgated under this chapter.
- (2) The board shall, upon recommendation of the board of athletic trainers, adopt rules pursuant to chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code, relating to professional conduct to carry out the policy of this chapter, including,

but not limited to τ rules relating to professional licensure and to the establishment of ethical standards of practice, disciplinary proceedings, refusal to renew license proceedings, license suspension proceedings, or license revocation proceedings for persons licensed to practice as an athletic trainer in this state.

- (3) The board of athletic trainers shall hold meetings, conduct hearings and keep records and minutes as are necessary to carry out its functions.
- (4) Every person licensed as an athletic trainer in Idaho shall be subject to discipline pursuant to the powers set forth in this chapter and the rules of the board of medicine promulgated pursuant thereto. The board of athletic trainers shall have no authority to impose sanctions or limitations or conditions on licenses issued under this chapter and shall be authorized only to make recommendations to the board with respect thereto. Members of the board of athletic trainers shall disqualify themselves and, on motion of any interested party, may on proper showing, be disqualified in any proceeding concerning which they have an actual conflict of interest or bias which interferes with their fair and impartial service.
- (5) In addition to its other powers, the board of athletic trainers shall be empowered and authorized:
 - (a) To recommend that the board reprimand by informal admonition any licensed athletic trainer respecting any matter it finds is minor misconduct. Such reprimand shall be subject to disclosure according to chapter 1, title 74, Idaho Code \cdot ;
 - (b) To recommend that the provide by board order, for good cause, nondisciplinary suspension or transfer to inactive status of any licensed athletic trainer incapacitated by illness, senility, disability, or addiction to drugs, intoxicants or other chemical or like substances, and to provide terms and conditions therefor, including provisions and conditions controlling reinstatement and any request therefor; provided, this paragraph shall not be construed to amend or repeal specific legislation expressly dealing with disabled athletic trainers whether heretofore or hereafter enacted by the legislature of the state of Idaho, but rather shall be construed as complementary thereto;
 - (c) To recommend that the board accept the resignation and surrender of the license of any athletic trainer under investigation or prosecution who tenders the same, and to impose terms and conditions in connection therewith as it may deem appropriate in the best interests of the public and of justice-;
 - (d) To recommend that the board provide by order for reciprocal discipline in cases involving a licensed athletic trainer or applicant disciplined in any other jurisdiction, provided that such licensee or applicant shall be entitled to appear and show cause why such order should not apply in his or her case; and
 - (e) To recommend that the board provide for reasonable fees through rules for administrative costs.
- (6) The assessment of attorney's fees and costs incurred in an investigation and prosecution or defense in an administrative proceeding against a

1 licensee under this chapter shall be governed by the provisions of section 2 12-117(5), Idaho Code.

SECTION 21. That Section 54-3914, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 22. That Section 54-3915, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 23. That Chapter 39, Title 54, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a $\underline{\text{NEW SECTION}}$, to be known and designated as Section 54-3915, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

54-3915. FEES. All fees received under the provisions of this chapter shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the occupational licenses fund. All costs and expenses incurred by the board under the provisions of this chapter shall be a charge against and paid from said fund for such purposes and the moneys collected pursuant to this section shall be immediately available for the administration of this chapter.

SECTION 24. That Section 54-4303, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

54-4303. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Board" means the state board of medicine <u>Idaho allied health professionals</u> board created pursuant to chapter 1, title 54, Idaho Code.
- (2) "Certified respiratory therapist" or "CRT" means the professional designation earned by a person who has successfully completed the entry level examination required by the board.
- (3) "Licensure board" means the licensure board established by this chapter.
- $\frac{(4)}{(3)}$ "Polysomnographic technician" means a person who holds a permit and meets requirements as set forth in section 54-4307, Idaho Code.
- $\frac{(5)}{(4)}$ "Polysomnographic technologist" means a person who holds a permit and meets requirements as set forth in section 54-4307, Idaho Code.
- (6) [5] "Polysomnography" means the process of analysis, attended monitoring, and recording of physiologic data during sleep and wakefulness to assist in the assessment and diagnosis of sleep/wake disorders and other disorders, syndromes, and dysfunctions that are sleep-related, manifest during sleep, or disrupt normal sleep/wake cycles and activities.
- (7) (6) "Polysomnography-related respiratory care services" means the limited practice of respiratory care in the provision of polysomnography services.
- (8) (7) "Practice of respiratory care" means the provision of cardiopulmonary care services as directed by a qualified health care practitioner licensed in the state, including but not limited to the diagnostic and therapeutic use of the following:
 - (a) Except for the purpose of anesthesia, administration of medical gases, aerosols, and humidification;
 - (b) Environmental control mechanisms and hyperbaric therapy;
 - (c) Pharmacologic agents related to respiratory care procedures;

- (d) Mechanical or physiological ventilatory support;
- (e) Bronchopulmonary hygiene;

- (f) Cardiopulmonary resuscitation;
- (g) Maintenance of artificial airways;
- (h) Specific diagnostic and testing techniques employed in the medical management of patients to assist in diagnosis, monitoring, treatment, and research of pulmonary abnormalities, including measurement of ventilatory volumes, pressures, and flows, collection of specimens of blood and blood gases, expired and inspired gas samples, respiratory secretions, and pulmonary functioning testing;
- (i) Hemodynamic and other related physiologic measurements of the cardiopulmonary system;
- (j) Accepting and carrying out a practitioner's written, verbal, or telephonic prescription or order specifically relating to respiratory care in a hospital or other health care setting; and
- (k) Functioning in situations of patient contact requiring individual judgment in administering respiratory care under the general supervision of a qualified practitioner.
- (9) "Registered respiratory therapist" or "RRT" means the professional designation earned by a person who has successfully completed the written registry and clinical simulation examinations administered by the national board for respiratory care.
- (10) (9) "Respiratory care" means the treatment, management, diagnostic testing, monitoring, and care of patients with deficiencies and abnormalities associated with the cardiopulmonary system.
- (11) (10) "Respiratory care practitioner" means a person who has been issued a license or permit by the board under the provisions of this chapter to practice respiratory care under the general supervision of a licensed physician or other authorized licensed health care professional.
- (12) (11) "Sleep disorder center or laboratory" means a facility for sleep-related disorders that provides polysomnography and is under the supervision of a physician or medical director licensed in the state of Idaho.
- $\underline{\mbox{(13)}}$ $\underline{\mbox{(12)}}$ "Written registry and clinical simulation examinations" means the certification examinations administered by a board-approved national accrediting organization.
- SECTION 25. That Section 54-4304, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.
- SECTION 26. That Section 54-4305, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 54-4305. BOARD OF MEDICINE AND LICENSURE BOARD -- POWERS AND DUTIES -- FUNDS. (1) The board shall administer, coordinate, and enforce the provisions of this chapter and, for that purpose, may hire such employees as may be necessary. The licensure board shall make recommendations to, and consult with, the board determinations concerning qualification of applicants for licensure, issuance of licenses, revocation of licenses, and rules to be promulgated under this chapter.
 - (2) The board may, upon recommendation of the licensure board, adopt rules pursuant to chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code, necessary to implement

the provisions of this chapter, including but not limited to rules relating to professional licensure examination, the establishment of ethical standards of practice, disciplinary proceedings, and license suspension or revocation for persons holding a license or permit to practice in this state under the provisions of this chapter.

- (3) The licensure board shall hold meetings, conduct hearings, and keep records and minutes as are necessary to carry out its functions.
- (4) All fees received under the provisions of this chapter shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the state board of medicine fund created in section 54-1809, Idaho Code occupational licenses fund. All costs and expenses incurred by the board and licensure board under the provisions of this chapter shall be a charge against and paid from said fund for such purposes. The funds collected pursuant to this chapter shall be immediately available for the administration of this chapter. In no instance shall the state board of medicine fund be obligated to pay any claims that, in aggregate with claims already allowed, exceed the income to the state board of medicine fund that has been derived from the application of this chapter. Moneys paid into the state board of medicine fund pursuant to this chapter are hereby continuously appropriated to the board for expenditure in the manner prescribed in this chapter to defray the expenses of the board and licensure board in carrying out and enforcing the provisions of this chapter.

SECTION 27. This act shall be in full force and effect on and after January 1, 2024.