

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE BILL NO. 137

BY SENATOR BUFFINGTON

HEALTH CARE. Provides relative to the practice of medicine. (8/1/14)

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1262(3), relative to the practice of medicine; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 37:1262(3) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1262. Definition

As used in this Part the following words and phrases shall have the meanings ascribed to them:

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(3) "Practice of medicine", whether allopathic or osteopathic, means the holding out of one's self to the public as being engaged in the business of, or the actual engagement in, the diagnosing, treating, curing, or relieving of any bodily or mental disease, condition, infirmity, deformity, defect, ailment, or injury in any human being, other than ~~himself~~ **one's self**, whether by the use of any drug, instrument or force, whether physical or psychic, or of what other nature, or any other agency or means; or the examining, either gratuitously or for compensation, of any person or material from any person for such purpose whether such drug,

1 instrument, force, or other agency or means is applied to or used by the patient or by
2 another person; or the attending of a woman in childbirth without the aid of a
3 licensed physician or midwife.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Christopher D. Adams.

DIGEST

Buffington (SB 137)

Present law defines "practice of medicine", whether allopathic or osteopathic, to mean the holding out of one's self to the public as being engaged in the business of, or the actual engagement in, the diagnosing, treating, curing, or relieving of any bodily or mental disease, condition, infirmity, deformity, defect, ailment, or injury in any human being, other than himself, whether by the use of any drug, instrument or force, whether physical or psychic, or of what other nature, or any other agency or means; or the examining, either gratuitously or for compensation, of any person or material from any person for such purpose whether such drug, instrument, force, or other agency or means is applied to or used by the patient or by another person; or the attending of a woman in childbirth without the aid of a licensed physician or midwife.

Proposed law makes a technical change.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 37:1262(3))