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### AN ACT

To amend chapter 331, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to chiropractors, with a penalty provision.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 331, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 331.015, to read as follows:

**331.015. 1. No person shall perform spinal manipulation or spinal adjustment of  
2 the vertebral column unless such person:**

3 **(1) Has the legal authority to differentially diagnose; and**

4 **(2) Has received a minimum of four hundred hours of classroom instruction in  
5 spinal manipulation or spinal adjustment; and**

6 **(3) Has received a minimum of eight hundred hours of supervised clinical training  
7 at a facility where spinal manipulation or spinal adjustment is a primary method of  
8 treatment.**

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10 **For purposes of this section, the terms "spinal manipulation" and "spinal adjustment"**  
11 **means moving a joint beyond its passive range of motion limit by means of a sudden**  
12 **dynamic thrust or impulse, which is usually accompanied by an audible sound.**

13 **2. Any person who violates the provisions of this section is guilty of the unlawful**  
14 **practice of chiropractic and shall be subject to the penalties provided for in section 331.080**  
15 **or disciplinary action as provided by law.**

16 **3. The provisions of this section shall not restrict the scope of practice of**  
17 **osteopathic or medical physicians licensed pursuant to chapter 334, RSMo, or chiropractic**  
18 **physicians licensed pursuant to this chapter.**