SENATE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 542

AN ACT

To repeal sections 324.200, 324.206, 327.011, 327.091, 327.101, 327.131, 327.191, 327.241, 327.612, 337.068, and 338.710, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof twelve new sections relating to professional registration.

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

Section A. Sections 324.200, 324.206, 327.011, 327.091,

- 2 327.101, 327.131, 327.191, 327.241, 327.612, 337.068, and
- 3 338.710, RSMo, are repealed and twelve new sections enacted in
- 4 lieu thereof, to be known as sections 324.093, 324.200, 324.206,
- 5 327.011, 327.091, 327.101, 327.131, 327.191, 327.241, 327.612,
- 6 337.068, and 338.710, to read as follows:

324.093. OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY LICENSURE COMPACT

- 2 SECTION 1. PURPOSE
- 3 The purpose of this Compact is to facilitate interstate
- 4 practice of Occupational Therapy with the goal of improving
- 5 public access to Occupational Therapy services. The
- 6 Practice of Occupational Therapy occurs in the State where
- 7 the patient/client is located at the time of the
- 8 patient/client encounter. The Compact preserves the
- 9 regulatory authority of States to protect public health and
- 10 safety through the current system of State licensure.
- 11 This Compact is designed to achieve the following
- 12 objectives:
- 13 A. Increase public access to Occupational Therapy
- 14 services by providing for the mutual recognition of other
- 15 Member State licenses;
- 16 B. Enhance the States' ability to protect the public's
- 17 health and safety;

- 18 C. Encourage the cooperation of Member States in
- 19 regulating multi-State Occupational Therapy Practice;
- D. Support spouses of relocating military members;
- 21 E. Enhance the exchange of licensure, investigative,
- 22 and disciplinary information between Member States;
- F. Allow a Remote State to hold a provider of services
- 24 with a Compact Privilege in that State accountable to that
- 25 State's practice standards; and
- G. Facilitate the use of Telehealth technology in
- 27 order to increase access to Occupational Therapy services.
- 28 SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS
- 29 As used in this Compact, and except as otherwise
- 30 provided, the following definitions shall apply:
- 31 A. "Active Duty Military" means full-time duty status
- 32 in the active uniformed service of the United States,
- 33 including members of the National Guard and Reserve on
- active duty orders pursuant to 10 U.S.C. Chapter 1209 and
- **35** Section 1211.
- B. "Adverse Action" means any administrative, civil,
- 37 equitable, or criminal action permitted by a State's laws
- 38 which is imposed by a Licensing Board or other authority
- 39 against an Occupational Therapist or Occupational Therapy
- 40 Assistant, including actions against an individual's license
- 41 or Compact Privilege such as censure, revocation,
- 42 suspension, probation, monitoring of the Licensee, or
- 43 <u>restriction on the Licensee's practice.</u>
- 44 C. "Alternative Program" means a non-disciplinary
- 45 monitoring process approved by an Occupational Therapy
- 46 Licensing Board.
- D. "Compact Privilege" means the authorization, which
- 48 is equivalent to a license, granted by a Remote State to
- 49 allow a Licensee from another Member State to practice as an
- 50 Occupational Therapist or practice as an Occupational

- 51 Therapy Assistant in the Remote State under its laws and
- 52 rules. The Practice of Occupational Therapy occurs in the
- 53 Member State where the patient/client is located at the time
- of the patient/client encounter.
- 55 E. "Continuing Competence/Education" means a
- 56 requirement, as a condition of license renewal, to provide
- 57 evidence of participation in, and/or completion of,
- 58 educational and professional activities relevant to practice
- or area of work.
- 60 F. "Current Significant Investigative Information"
- 61 means Investigative Information that a Licensing Board,
- 62 after an inquiry or investigation that includes notification
- and an opportunity for the Occupational Therapist or
- 64 Occupational Therapy Assistant to respond, if required by
- 65 State law, has reason to believe is not groundless and, if
- 66 proved true, would indicate more than a minor infraction.
- G. "Data System" means a repository of information
- 68 about Licensees, including but not limited to license
- 69 status, Investigative Information, Compact Privileges, and
- 70 Adverse Actions.
- 71 H. "Encumbered License" means a license in which an
- 72 Adverse Action restricts the Practice of Occupational
- 73 Therapy by the Licensee or said Adverse Action has been
- 74 reported to the National Practitioners Data Bank (NPDB).
- 75 I. "Executive Committee" means a group of directors
- 76 elected or appointed to act on behalf of, and within the
- 77 powers granted to them by, the Commission.
- J. "Home State" means the Member State that is the
- 79 Licensee's Primary State of Residence.
- 80 K. "Impaired Practitioner" means individuals whose
- 81 professional practice is adversely affected by substance
- 82 abuse, addiction, or other health-related conditions.

- 83 L. "Investigative Information" means information,
- 84 records, and/or documents received or generated by an
- 85 Occupational Therapy Licensing Board pursuant to an
- 86 investigation.
- 87 M. "Jurisprudence Requirement" means the assessment of
- 88 an individual's knowledge of the laws and rules governing
- 89 the Practice of Occupational Therapy in a State.
- 90 N. "Licensee" means an individual who currently holds
- 91 an authorization from the State to practice as an
- 92 Occupational Therapist or as an Occupational Therapy
- 93 Assistant.
- 94 O. "Member State" means a State that has enacted the
- 95 Compact.
- 96 P. "Occupational Therapist" means an individual who is
- 97 licensed by a State to practice Occupational Therapy.
- 98 Q. "Occupational Therapy Assistant" means an
- 99 individual who is licensed by a State to assist in the
- 100 Practice of Occupational Therapy.
- 101 R. "Occupational Therapy," "Occupational Therapy
- 102 Practice," and the "Practice of Occupational Therapy" mean
- 103 the care and services provided by an Occupational Therapist
- 104 or an Occupational Therapy Assistant as set forth in the
- 105 Member State's statutes and regulations.
- 106 S. "Occupational Therapy Compact Commission" or
- 107 "Commission" means the national administrative body whose
- 108 membership consists of all States that have enacted the
- 109 Compact.
- 110 T. "Occupational Therapy Licensing Board" or
- "Licensing Board" means the agency of a State that is
- authorized to license and regulate Occupational Therapists
- and Occupational Therapy Assistants.
- 114 U. "Primary State of Residence" means the state (also
- 115 known as the Home State) in which an Occupational Therapist

- or Occupational Therapy Assistant who is not Active Duty
- 117 Military declares a primary residence for legal purposes as
- 118 verified by: driver's license, federal income tax return,
- 119 lease, deed, mortgage or voter registration or other
- 120 verifying documentation as further defined by Commission
- 121 Rules.
- 122 V. "Remote State" means a Member State other than the
- Home State, where a Licensee is exercising or seeking to
- exercise the Compact Privilege.
- 125 W. "Rule" means a regulation promulgated by the
- 126 Commission that has the force of law.
- 127 X. "State" means any state, commonwealth, district, or
- 128 territory of the United States of America that regulates the
- 129 Practice of Occupational Therapy.
- 130 Y. "Single-State License" means an Occupational
- 131 Therapist or Occupational Therapy Assistant license issued
- 132 by a Member State that authorizes practice only within the
- issuing State and does not include a Compact Privilege in
- any other Member State.
- 135 Z. "Telehealth" means the application of
- 136 telecommunication technology to deliver Occupational Therapy
- 137 services for assessment, intervention and/or consultation.
- 138 SECTION 3. STATE PARTICIPATION IN THE COMPACT
- 139 A. To participate in the Compact, a Member State shall:
- 140 1. License Occupational Therapists and Occupational
- 141 Therapy Assistants;
- 2. Participate fully in the Commission's Data System,
- including but not limited to using the Commission's unique
- 144 identifier as defined in Rules of the Commission;
- 145 3. Have a mechanism in place for receiving and
- investigating complaints about Licensees;
- 4. Notify the Commission, in compliance with the terms
- 148 of the Compact and Rules, of any Adverse Action or the

- 149 availability of Investigative Information regarding a
- 150 Licensee;
- 5. Implement or utilize procedures for considering the
- 152 criminal history records of applicants for an initial
- 153 Compact Privilege. These procedures shall include the
- 154 submission of fingerprints or other biometric-based
- information by applicants for the purpose of obtaining an
- applicant's criminal history record information from the
- 157 Federal Bureau of Investigation and the agency responsible
- 158 for retaining that State's criminal records;
- a. A Member State shall, within a time frame
- 160 <u>established by the Commission</u>, require a criminal background
- check for a Licensee seeking/applying for a Compact
- 162 Privilege whose Primary State of Residence is that Member
- 163 State, by receiving the results of the Federal Bureau of
- 164 Investigation criminal record search, and shall use the
- 165 results in making licensure decisions.
- b. Communication between a Member State, the
- 167 Commission and among Member States regarding the
- 168 verification of eligibility for licensure through the
- 169 Compact shall not include any information received from the
- 170 Federal Bureau of Investigation relating to a federal
- 171 criminal records check performed by a Member State under
- 172 Public Law 92-544.
- 173 6. Comply with the Rules of the Commission;
- 7. Utilize only a recognized national examination as a
- 175 requirement for licensure pursuant to the Rules of the
- 176 Commission; and
- 177 8. Have Continuing Competence/Education requirements
- 178 as a condition for license renewal.
- 179 B. A Member State shall grant the Compact Privilege to
- 180 a Licensee holding a valid unencumbered license in another

- 181 Member State in accordance with the terms of the Compact and
- 182 Rules.
- 183 C. Member States may charge a fee for granting a
- 184 Compact Privilege.
- D. A Member State shall provide for the State's
- 186 delegate to attend all Occupational Therapy Compact
- 187 <u>Commission meetings.</u>
- 188 E. Individuals not residing in a Member State shall
- 189 continue to be able to apply for a Member State's Single-
- 190 State License as provided under the laws of each Member
- 191 State. However, the Single-State License granted to these
- 192 individuals shall not be recognized as granting the Compact
- 193 Privilege in any other Member State.
- 194 F. Nothing in this Compact shall affect the
- 195 requirements established by a Member State for the issuance
- 196 of a Single-State License.
- 197 SECTION 4. COMPACT PRIVILEGE
- 198 A. To exercise the Compact Privilege under the terms
- 199 and provisions of the Compact, the Licensee shall:
- 200 1. Hold a license in the Home State;
- 20. Have a valid United States Social Security Number
- 202 or National Practitioner Identification number;
- 3. Have no encumbrance on any State license;
- 4. Be eligible for a Compact Privilege in any Member
- 205 State in accordance with Section 4D, F, G, and H;
- 206 5. Have paid all fines and completed all requirements
- 207 resulting from any Adverse Action against any license or
- 208 Compact Privilege, and two years have elapsed from the date
- 209 of such completion;
- 210 6. Notify the Commission that the Licensee is seeking
- the Compact Privilege within a Remote State(s);
- 7. Pay any applicable fees, including any State fee,
- 213 for the Compact Privilege;

- 214 8. Complete a criminal background check in accordance
- with Section 3A(5);
- 216 a. The Licensee shall be responsible for the payment
- of any fee associated with the completion of a criminal
- 218 background check.
- 9. Meet any Jurisprudence Requirements established by
- 220 the Remote State(s) in which the Licensee is seeking a
- 221 Compact Privilege; and
- 222 10. Report to the Commission Adverse Action taken by
- 223 any non-Member State within 30 days from the date the
- 224 Adverse Action is taken.
- B. The Compact Privilege is valid until the expiration
- 226 date of the Home State license. The Licensee must comply
- 227 with the requirements of Section 4A to maintain the Compact
- 228 Privilege in the Remote State.
- 229 C. A Licensee providing Occupational Therapy in a
- 230 Remote State under the Compact Privilege shall function
- 231 within the laws and regulations of the Remote State.
- D. Occupational Therapy Assistants practicing in a
- 233 Remote State shall be supervised by an Occupational
- 234 Therapist licensed or holding a Compact Privilege in that
- 235 Remote State.
- 236 E. A Licensee providing Occupational Therapy in a
- 237 Remote State is subject to that State's regulatory
- 238 authority. A Remote State may, in accordance with due
- 239 process and that State's laws, remove a Licensee's Compact
- 240 Privilege in the Remote State for a specific period of time,
- 241 impose fines, and/or take any other necessary actions to
- 242 protect the health and safety of its citizens. The Licensee
- 243 may be ineligible for a Compact Privilege in any State until
- 244 the specific time for removal has passed and all fines are
- 245 paid.

- 246 F. If a Home State license is encumbered, the Licensee
- 247 shall lose the Compact Privilege in any Remote State until
- 248 the following occur:
- 249 1. The Home State license is no longer encumbered; and
- 250 2. Two years have elapsed from the date on which the
- 251 Home State license is no longer encumbered in accordance
- 252 with Section 4(F)(1).
- 253 G. Once an Encumbered License in the Home State is
- restored to good standing, the Licensee must meet the
- 255 requirements of Section 4A to obtain a Compact Privilege in
- any Remote State.
- 257 H. If a Licensee's Compact Privilege in any Remote
- 258 State is removed, the individual may lose the Compact
- 259 Privilege in any other Remote State until the following
- 260 occur:
- 261 1. The specific period of time for which the Compact
- 262 Privilege was removed has ended;
- 26. All fines have been paid and all conditions have
- 264 been met;
- 265 3. Two years have elapsed from the date of completing
- 266 requirements for 4(H)(1) and (2); and
- 267 4. The Compact Privileges are reinstated by the
- 268 Commission, and the compact Data System is updated to
- 269 reflect reinstatement.
- 270 I. If a Licensee's Compact Privilege in any Remote
- 271 State is removed due to an erroneous charge, privileges
- 272 shall be restored through the compact Data System.
- J. Once the requirements of Section 4H have been met,
- 274 the license must meet the requirements in Section 4A to
- 275 obtain a Compact Privilege in a Remote State.
- 276 SECTION 5. OBTAINING A NEW HOME STATE LICENSE BY
- 277 VIRTUE OF COMPACT PRIVILEGE

- 278 A. An Occupational Therapist or Occupational Therapy
- 279 Assistant may hold a Home State license, which allows for
- 280 Compact Privileges in Member States, in only one Member
- 281 State at a time.
- B. If an Occupational Therapist or Occupational
- 283 Therapy Assistant changes Primary State of Residence by
- 284 moving between two Member States:
- 285 1. The Occupational Therapist or Occupational Therapy
- 286 Assistant shall file an application for obtaining a new Home
- 287 State license by virtue of a Compact Privilege, pay all
- 288 applicable fees, and notify the current and new Home State
- in accordance with applicable Rules adopted by the
- 290 Commission.
- 291 2. Upon receipt of an application for obtaining a new
- 292 Home State license by virtue of compact privilege, the new
- 293 Home State shall verify that the Occupational Therapist or
- 294 Occupational Therapy Assistant meets the pertinent criteria
- 295 outlined in Section 4 via the Data System, without need for
- 296 primary source verification except for:
- 297 a. an FBI fingerprint based criminal background check
- 298 if not previously performed or updated pursuant to
- 299 applicable Rules adopted by the Commission in accordance
- 300 with Public Law 92-544;
- b. other criminal background check as required by the
- 302 new Home State; and
- 303 c. submission of any requisite Jurisprudence
- 304 Requirements of the new Home State.
- 305 3. The former Home State shall convert the former Home
- 306 State license into a Compact Privilege once the new Home
- 307 State has activated the new Home State license in accordance
- with applicable Rules adopted by the Commission.
- 309 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of this
- 310 Compact, if the Occupational Therapist or Occupational

- 311 Therapy Assistant cannot meet the criteria in Section 4, the
- 312 new Home State shall apply its requirements for issuing a
- new Single-State License.
- 314 5. The Occupational Therapist or the Occupational
- 315 Therapy Assistant shall pay all applicable fees to the new
- 316 Home State in order to be issued a new Home State license.
- 317 C. If an Occupational Therapist or Occupational
- 318 Therapy Assistant changes Primary State of Residence by
- 319 moving from a Member State to a non-Member State, or from a
- 320 non-Member State to a Member State, the State criteria shall
- 321 apply for issuance of a Single-State License in the new
- 322 State.
- D. Nothing in this compact shall interfere with a
- 324 Licensee's ability to hold a Single-State License in
- 325 multiple States; however, for the purposes of this compact,
- 326 a Licensee shall have only one Home State license.
- 327 E. Nothing in this Compact shall affect the
- 328 requirements established by a Member State for the issuance
- 329 of a Single-State License.
- 330 SECTION 6. ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL OR THEIR
- 331 SPOUSES
- A. Active Duty Military personnel, or their spouses,
- 333 shall designate a Home State where the individual has a
- 334 current license in good standing. The individual may retain
- 335 the Home State designation during the period the service
- 336 member is on active duty. Subsequent to designating a Home
- 337 State, the individual shall only change their Home State
- 338 through application for licensure in the new State or
- through the process described in Section 5.
- 340 SECTION 7. ADVERSE ACTIONS
- A. A Home State shall have exclusive power to impose
- 342 Adverse Action against an Occupational Therapist's or

- Occupational Therapy Assistant's license issued by the Home

 State.
- B. In addition to the other powers conferred by State
- law, a Remote State shall have the authority, in accordance
- 347 with existing State due process law, to:
- 1. Take Adverse Action against an Occupational
- 349 Therapist's or Occupational Therapy Assistant's Compact
- 350 Privilege within that Member State.
- 2. Issue subpoenas for both hearings and
- 352 investigations that require the attendance and testimony of
- 353 witnesses as well as the production of evidence. Subpoenas
- 354 issued by a Licensing Board in a Member State for the
- 355 attendance and testimony of witnesses or the production of
- 356 evidence from another Member State shall be enforced in the
- 357 latter State by any court of competent jurisdiction,
- 358 according to the practice and procedure of that court
- 359 applicable to subpoenas issued in proceedings pending before
- 360 it. The issuing authority shall pay any witness fees,
- 361 travel expenses, mileage and other fees required by the
- 362 service statutes of the State in which the witnesses or
- 363 evidence are located.
- 364 C. For purposes of taking Adverse Action, the Home
- 365 State shall give the same priority and effect to reported
- 366 conduct received from a Member State as it would if the
- 367 conduct had occurred within the Home State. In so doing,
- 368 the Home State shall apply its own State laws to determine
- 369 appropriate action.
- 370 D. The Home State shall complete any pending
- 371 investigations of an Occupational Therapist or Occupational
- 372 Therapy Assistant who changes Primary State of Residence
- 373 during the course of the investigations. The Home State,
- 374 where the investigations were initiated, shall also have the
- 375 authority to take appropriate action(s) and shall promptly

- 376 report the conclusions of the investigations to the OT
- 377 Compact Commission Data System. The Occupational Therapy
- 378 Compact Commission Data System administrator shall promptly
- 379 notify the new Home State of any Adverse Actions.
- 380 E. A Member State, if otherwise permitted by State
- 381 law, may recover from the affected Occupational Therapist or
- 382 Occupational Therapy Assistant the costs of investigations
- and disposition of cases resulting from any Adverse Action
- taken against that Occupational Therapist or Occupational
- 385 Therapy Assistant.
- F. A Member State may take Adverse Action based on the
- 387 factual findings of the Remote State, provided that the
- Member State follows its own procedures for taking the
- 389 Adverse Action.
- 390 G. Joint Investigations
- 391 1. In addition to the authority granted to a Member
- 392 State by its respective State Occupational Therapy laws and
- 393 regulations or other applicable State law, any Member State
- 394 may participate with other Member States in joint
- investigations of Licensees.
- 396 2. Member States shall share any investigative,
- 397 litigation, or compliance materials in furtherance of any
- 398 joint or individual investigation initiated under the
- 399 Compact.
- 400 H. If an Adverse Action is taken by the Home State
- 401 against an Occupational Therapist's or Occupational Therapy
- 402 Assistant's license, the Occupational Therapist's or
- 403 Occupational Therapy Assistant's Compact Privilege in all
- 404 other Member States shall be deactivated until all
- 405 encumbrances have been removed from the State license. All
- 406 Home State disciplinary orders that impose Adverse Action
- 407 against an Occupational Therapist's or Occupational Therapy
- 408 Assistant's license shall include a Statement that the

- 409 Occupational Therapist's or Occupational Therapy Assistant's
- 410 Compact Privilege is deactivated in all Member States during
- 411 the pendency of the order.
- I. If a Member State takes Adverse Action, it shall
- 413 promptly notify the administrator of the Data System. The
- 414 administrator of the Data System shall promptly notify the
- 415 Home State of any Adverse Actions by Remote States.
- J. Nothing in this Compact shall override a Member
- 417 State's decision that participation in an Alternative
- 418 Program may be used in lieu of Adverse Action.
- 419 SECTION 8. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
- 420 COMPACT COMMISSION
- A. The Compact Member States hereby create and
- 422 establish a joint public agency known as the Occupational
- 423 Therapy Compact Commission:
- 1. The Commission is an instrumentality of the Compact
- 425 States.
- 426 2. Venue is proper and judicial proceedings by or
- 427 against the Commission shall be brought solely and
- 428 exclusively in a court of competent jurisdiction where the
- 429 principal office of the Commission is located. The
- 430 Commission may waive venue and jurisdictional defenses to
- 431 the extent it adopts or consents to participate in
- 432 alternative dispute resolution proceedings.
- 433 3. Nothing in this Compact shall be construed to be a
- 434 waiver of sovereign immunity.
- B. Membership, Voting, and Meetings
- 436 1. Each Member State shall have and be limited to one
- 437 (1) delegate selected by that Member State's Licensing Board.
- 438 2. The delegate shall be either:
- a. A current member of the Licensing Board, who is an
- 440 Occupational Therapist, Occupational Therapy Assistant, or
- 441 public member; or

- b. An administrator of the Licensing Board.
- 443 3. Any delegate may be removed or suspended from
- office as provided by the law of the State from which the
- 445 delegate is appointed.
- 4. The Member State board shall fill any vacancy
- occurring in the Commission within 90 days.
- 5. Each delegate shall be entitled to one (1) vote
- 449 with regard to the promulgation of Rules and creation of
- 450 bylaws and shall otherwise have an opportunity to
- 451 participate in the business and affairs of the Commission.
- 452 A delegate shall vote in person or by such other means as
- 453 provided in the bylaws. The bylaws may provide for
- 454 delegates' participation in meetings by telephone or other
- 455 means of communication.
- 456 6. The Commission shall meet at least once during each
- 457 calendar year. Additional meetings shall be held as set
- 458 forth in the bylaws.
- 7. The Commission shall establish by Rule a term of
- 460 office for delegates.
- 461 C. The Commission shall have the following powers and
- 462 duties:
- 463 1. Establish a Code of Ethics for the Commission;
- 464 2. Establish the fiscal year of the Commission;
- 465 3. Establish bylaws;
- 466 4. Maintain its financial records in accordance with
- 467 the bylaws;
- 468 5. Meet and take such actions as are consistent with
- 469 the provisions of this Compact and the bylaws;
- 470 6. Promulgate uniform Rules to facilitate and
- 471 coordinate implementation and administration of this
- 472 Compact. The Rules shall have the force and effect of law
- 473 and shall be binding in all Member States;

- 7. Bring and prosecute legal proceedings or actions in
 the name of the Commission, provided that the standing of
 any State Occupational Therapy Licensing Board to sue or be
 sued under applicable law shall not be affected;

 8. Purchase and maintain insurance and bonds;
 9. Borrow, accept, or contract for services of
 personnel, including, but not limited to, employees of a
- personnel, including, but not limited to, employees of a

 Member State;
- 10. Hire employees, elect or appoint officers, fix

 compensation, define duties, grant such individuals

 appropriate authority to carry out the purposes of the

 Compact, and establish the Commission's personnel policies

 and programs relating to conflicts of interest,

 qualifications of personnel, and other related personnel

 matters;
- 489 11. Accept any and all appropriate donations and
 490 grants of money, equipment, supplies, materials and
 491 services, and receive, utilize and dispose of the same;
 492 provided that at all times the Commission shall avoid any
 493 appearance of impropriety and/or conflict of interest;
- donations of, or otherwise own, hold, improve or use, any
 property, real, personal or mixed; provided that at all
 times the Commission shall avoid any appearance of
 impropriety;
- 13. Sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange,

 500 abandon, or otherwise dispose of any property real,

 501 personal, or mixed;
- 502 14. Establish a budget and make expenditures;
- 503 <u>15. Borrow money;</u>
- 16. Appoint committees, including standing committees

 composed of members, State regulators, State legislators or

 their representatives, and consumer representatives, and

507	such other interested persons as may be designated in this
508	Compact and the bylaws;
509	17. Provide and receive information from, and
510	cooperate with, law enforcement agencies;
511	18. Establish and elect an Executive Committee; and
512	19. Perform such other functions as may be necessary
513	or appropriate to achieve the purposes of this Compact
514	consistent with the State regulation of Occupational Therapy
515	licensure and practice.
516	D. The Executive Committee
517	The Executive Committee shall have the power to act on
518	behalf of the Commission according to the terms of this
519	Compact.
520	1. The Executive Committee shall be composed of nine
521	members:
522	a. Seven voting members who are elected by the
523	Commission from the current membership of the Commission;
524	b. One ex-officio, nonvoting member from a recognized
525	national Occupational Therapy professional association; and
526	c. One ex-officio, nonvoting member from a recognized
527	national Occupational Therapy certification organization.
528	2. The ex-officio members will be selected by their
529	respective organizations.
530	3. The Commission may remove any member of the
531	Executive Committee as provided in bylaws.
532	4. The Executive Committee shall meet at least
533	annually.
534	5. The Executive Committee shall have the following
535	Duties and responsibilities:
536	a. Recommend to the entire Commission changes to the
537	Rules or bylaws, changes to this Compact legislation, fees
538	paid by Compact Member States such as annual dues, and any

539 Commission Compact fee charged to Licensees for the Compact 540 Privilege; 541 b. Ensure Compact administration services are appropriately provided, contractual or otherwise; 542 543 c. Prepare and recommend the budget; 544 d. Maintain financial records on behalf of the 545 Commission; 546 e. Monitor Compact compliance of Member States and provide compliance reports to the Commission; 547 548 f. Establish additional committees as necessary; and 549 q. Perform other duties as provided in Rules or bylaws. E. Meetings of the Commission 550 1. All meetings shall be open to the public, and 551 552 public notice of meetings shall be given in the same manner 553 as required under the Rulemaking provisions in Section 10. The Commission or the Executive Committee or other 554 2. 555 committees of the Commission may convene in a closed, non-556 public meeting if the Commission or Executive Committee or 557 other committees of the Commission must discuss: 558 Non-compliance of a Member State with its 559 obligations under the Compact; 560 The employment, compensation, discipline or other matters, practices or procedures related to specific 561 562 employees or other matters related to the Commission's 563 internal personnel practices and procedures; 564 c. Current, threatened, or reasonably anticipated 565 litigation; d. Negotiation of contracts for the purchase, lease, 566 or sale of goods, services, or real estate; 567 568 e. Accusing any person of a crime or formally 569 censuring any person; f. Disclosure of trade secrets or commercial or 570

financial information that is privileged or confidential;

- 572 q. Disclosure of information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted 573 574 invasion of personal privacy; h. Disclosure of investigative records compiled for 575 576 law enforcement purposes; 577 i. Disclosure of information related to any investigative reports prepared by or on behalf of or for use 578 579 of the Commission or other committee charged with 580 responsibility of investigation or determination of 581 compliance issues pursuant to the Compact; or 582 j. Matters specifically exempted from disclosure by 583 federal or Member State statute. 584 3. If a meeting, or portion of a meeting, is closed pursuant to this provision, the Commission's legal counsel 585 586 or designee shall certify that the meeting may be closed and 587 shall reference each relevant exempting provision. 4. 588 The Commission shall keep minutes that fully and 589 clearly describe all matters discussed in a meeting and 590 shall provide a full and accurate summary of actions taken, and the reasons therefore, including a description of the 591 592 views expressed. All documents considered in connection 593 with an action shall be identified in such minutes. All minutes and documents of a closed meeting shall remain under 594 595 seal, subject to release by a majority vote of the 596 Commission or order of a court of competent jurisdiction. 597 F. Financing of the Commission The Commission shall pay, or provide for the 598 payment of, the reasonable expenses of its establishment, 599 organization, and ongoing activities. 600 601 2. The Commission may accept any and all appropriate
- 2. The Commission may accept any and all appropriate revenue sources, donations, and grants of money, equipment, supplies, materials, and services.

- 3. The Commission may levy on and collect an annual
- assessment from each Member State or impose fees on other
- 606 parties to cover the cost of the operations and activities
- of the Commission and its staff, which must be in a total
- 608 amount sufficient to cover its annual budget as approved by
- 609 the Commission each year for which revenue is not provided
- 610 by other sources. The aggregate annual assessment amount
- shall be allocated based upon a formula to be determined by
- the Commission, which shall promulgate a Rule binding upon
- 613 all Member States.
- 4. The Commission shall not incur obligations of any
- 615 kind prior to securing the funds adequate to meet the same;
- of nor shall the Commission pledge the credit of any of the
- 617 Member States, except by and with the authority of the
- 618 Member State.
- 5. The Commission shall keep accurate accounts of all
- 620 receipts and disbursements. The receipts and disbursements
- of the Commission shall be subject to the audit and
- 622 accounting procedures established under its bylaws.
- 623 However, all receipts and disbursements of funds handled by
- 624 the Commission shall be audited yearly by a certified or
- 625 licensed public accountant, and the report of the audit
- 626 shall be included in and become part of the annual report of
- 627 the Commission.
- G. Qualified Immunity, Defense, and Indemnification
- 1. The members, officers, executive director,
- 630 employees and representatives of the Commission shall be
- 631 immune from suit and liability, either personally or in
- 632 their official capacity, for any claim for damage to or loss
- of property or personal injury or other civil liability
- 634 caused by or arising out of any actual or alleged act, error
- 635 or omission that occurred, or that the person against whom
- 636 the claim is made had a reasonable basis for believing

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     shall be construed to protect any such person from suit
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or responsibilities, or that such person had a reasonable
basis for believing occurred within the scope of Commission
employment, duties, or responsibilities, provided that the
actual or alleged act, error, or omission did not result
from the intentional or willful or wanton misconduct of that
person.

- A. The Commission shall provide for the development,
- 670 maintenance, and utilization of a coordinated database and
- 671 reporting system containing licensure, Adverse Action, and
- 672 Investigative Information on all licensed individuals in
- 673 Member States.
- B. A Member State shall submit a uniform data set to
- 675 the Data System on all individuals to whom this Compact is
- 676 applicable (utilizing a unique identifier) as required by
- the Rules of the Commission, including:
- 1. Identifying information;
- 679 2. Licensure data;
- 680 3. Adverse Actions against a license or Compact
- 681 Privilege;
- 4. Non-confidential information related to Alternative
- 683 Program participation;
- 5. Any denial of application for licensure, and the
- for such denial;
- 686 6. Other information that may facilitate the
- 687 administration of this Compact, as determined by the Rules
- 688 of the Commission; and
- 689 7. Current Significant Investigative Information.
- 690 C. Current Significant Investigative Information and
- 691 other Investigative Information pertaining to a Licensee in
- any Member State will only be available to other Member
- 693 States.
- D. The Commission shall promptly notify all Member
- 695 States of any Adverse Action taken against a Licensee or an
- 696 individual applying for a license. Adverse Action
- 697 information pertaining to a Licensee in any Member State
- 698 will be available to any other Member State.
- 699 E. Member States contributing information to the Data
- 700 System may designate information that may not be shared with

- the public without the express permission of the
- 702 contributing State.
- 703 F. Any information submitted to the Data System that
- 704 is subsequently required to be expunged by the laws of the
- 705 Member State contributing the information shall be removed
- 706 from the Data System.
- 707 SECTION 10. RULEMAKING
- 708 A. The Commission shall exercise its Rulemaking powers
- 709 pursuant to the criteria set forth in this Section and the
- 710 Rules adopted thereunder. Rules and amendments shall become
- 711 binding as of the date specified in each Rule or amendment.
- 712 B. The Commission shall promulgate reasonable rules in
- 713 order to effectively and efficiently achieve the purposes of
- 714 the Compact. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event
- 715 the Commission exercises its rulemaking authority in a
- 716 manner that is beyond the scope of the purposes of the
- 717 Compact, or the powers granted hereunder, then such an
- 718 action by the Commission shall be invalid and have no force
- 719 and effect.
- 720 C. If a majority of the legislatures of the Member
- 721 States rejects a Rule, by enactment of a statute or
- 722 resolution in the same manner used to adopt the Compact
- 723 within 4 years of the date of adoption of the Rule, then
- 724 such Rule shall have no further force and effect in any
- 725 Member State.
- 726 D. Rules or amendments to the Rules shall be adopted
- 727 at a regular or special meeting of the Commission.
- 728 E. Prior to promulgation and adoption of a final Rule
- 729 or Rules by the Commission, and at least thirty (30) days in
- 730 advance of the meeting at which the Rule will be considered
- 731 and voted upon, the Commission shall file a Notice of
- 732 Proposed Rulemaking:

- 733 <u>1. On the website of the Commission or other publicly</u>
 734 accessible platform; and
- 735 2. On the website of each Member State Occupational
- 736 Therapy Licensing Board or other publicly accessible
- 737 platform or the publication in which each State would
- 738 otherwise publish proposed Rules.
- 739 F. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking shall include:
- 740 1. The proposed time, date, and location of the
- 741 meeting in which the Rule will be considered and voted upon;
- 742 <u>2. The text of the proposed Rule or amendment and the</u>
- 743 reason for the proposed Rule;
- 744 3. A request for comments on the proposed Rule from
- 745 any interested person; and
- 746 4. The manner in which interested persons may submit
- 747 notice to the Commission of their intention to attend the
- 748 public hearing and any written comments.
- G. Prior to adoption of a proposed Rule, the
- 750 Commission shall allow persons to submit written data,
- 751 facts, opinions, and arguments, which shall be made
- 752 available to the public.
- 753 H. The Commission shall grant an opportunity for a
- 754 public hearing before it adopts a Rule or amendment if a
- 755 hearing is requested by:
- 756 1. At least twenty five (25) persons;
- 757 2. A State or federal governmental subdivision or
- 758 agency; or
- 759 3. An association or organization having at least
- 760 twenty five (25) members.
- 761 I. If a hearing is held on the proposed Rule or
- 762 amendment, the Commission shall publish the place, time, and
- 763 date of the scheduled public hearing. If the hearing is
- 764 held via electronic means, the Commission shall publish the
- 765 mechanism for access to the electronic hearing.

- 1. All persons wishing to be heard at the hearing

 shall notify the executive director of the Commission or

 other designated member in writing of their desire to appear

 and testify at the hearing not less than five (5) business

 days before the scheduled date of the hearing.
- 2. Hearings shall be conducted in a manner providing
 each person who wishes to comment a fair and reasonable
 opportunity to comment orally or in writing.
- 774 <u>3. All hearings will be recorded. A copy of the</u> 775 recording will be made available on request.
- 776 4. Nothing in this section shall be construed as

 777 requiring a separate hearing on each Rule. Rules may be

 778 grouped for the convenience of the Commission at hearings

 779 required by this section.
- J. Following the scheduled hearing date, or by the close of business on the scheduled hearing date if the hearing was not held, the Commission shall consider all written and oral comments received.

- K. If no written notice of intent to attend the public hearing by interested parties is received, the Commission may proceed with promulgation of the proposed Rule without a public hearing.
- L. The Commission shall, by majority vote of all members, take final action on the proposed Rule and shall determine the effective date of the Rule, if any, based on the Rulemaking record and the full text of the Rule.
- M. Upon determination that an emergency exists, the

 Commission may consider and adopt an emergency Rule without

 prior notice, opportunity for comment, or hearing, provided

 that the usual Rulemaking procedures provided in the Compact

 and in this section shall be retroactively applied to the

 Rule as soon as reasonably possible, in no event later than

 ninety (90) days after the effective date of the Rule. For

- 799 the purposes of this provision, an emergency Rule is one
- 800 that must be adopted immediately in order to:
- 1. Meet an imminent threat to public health, safety,
- 802 or welfare;
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 2. Prevent a loss of Commission or Member State funds;
- 3. Meet a deadline for the promulgation of an
- 805 administrative Rule that is established by federal law or
- 806 Rule; or
- 4. Protect public health and safety.
- N. The Commission or an authorized committee of the
- 809 Commission may direct revisions to a previously adopted Rule
- 810 or amendment for purposes of correcting typographical
- 811 errors, errors in format, errors in consistency, or
- 812 grammatical errors. Public notice of any revisions shall be
- 813 posted on the website of the Commission. The revision shall
- 814 be subject to challenge by any person for a period of thirty
- 815 (30) days after posting. The revision may be challenged
- 816 only on grounds that the revision results in a material
- 817 change to a Rule. A challenge shall be made in writing and
- 818 delivered to the chair of the Commission prior to the end of
- 819 the notice period. If no challenge is made, the revision
- 820 will take effect without further action. If the revision is
- 821 challenged, the revision may not take effect without the
- 822 approval of the Commission.
- 823 SECTION 11. OVERSIGHT, DISPUTE RESOLUTION, AND
- 824 ENFORCEMENT
- 825 A. Oversight
- 1. The executive, legislative, and judicial branches
- 827 of State government in each Member State shall enforce this
- 828 Compact and take all actions necessary and appropriate to
- effectuate the Compact's purposes and intent. The
- 830 provisions of this Compact and the Rules promulgated
- 831 hereunder shall have standing as statutory law.

- 832 2. All courts shall take judicial notice of the
- 833 Compact and the Rules in any judicial or administrative
- 834 proceeding in a Member State pertaining to the subject
- 835 matter of this Compact which may affect the powers,
- 836 responsibilities, or actions of the Commission.
- 3. The Commission shall be entitled to receive service
- 838 of process in any such proceeding, and shall have standing
- 839 to intervene in such a proceeding for all purposes. Failure
- 840 to provide service of process to the Commission shall render
- 841 a judgment or order void as to the Commission, this Compact,
- 842 or promulgated Rules.
- B. Default, Technical Assistance, and Termination
- 844 1. If the Commission determines that a Member State
- 845 has defaulted in the performance of its obligations or
- 846 responsibilities under this Compact or the promulgated
- 847 Rules, the Commission shall:
- 848 a. Provide written notice to the defaulting State and
- 849 other Member States of the nature of the default, the
- 850 proposed means of curing the default and/or any other action
- 851 to be taken by the Commission; and
- b. Provide remedial training and specific technical
- 853 assistance regarding the default.
- 2. If a State in default fails to cure the default,
- 855 the defaulting State may be terminated from the Compact upon
- 856 an affirmative vote of a majority of the Member States, and
- 857 all rights, privileges and benefits conferred by this
- 858 Compact may be terminated on the effective date of
- 859 termination. A cure of the default does not relieve the
- 860 offending State of obligations or liabilities incurred
- 861 during the period of default.
- 862 3. Termination of membership in the Compact shall be
- 863 imposed only after all other means of securing compliance
- 864 have been exhausted. Notice of intent to suspend or

- 865 terminate shall be given by the Commission to the governor,
- 866 the majority and minority leaders of the defaulting State's
- 867 legislature, and each of the Member States.
- 4. A State that has been terminated is responsible for
- 869 all assessments, obligations, and liabilities incurred
- 870 through the effective date of termination, including
- 871 obligations that extend beyond the effective date of
- 872 termination.
- 5. The Commission shall not bear any costs related to
- 874 a State that is found to be in default or that has been
- 875 terminated from the Compact, unless agreed upon in writing
- 876 between the Commission and the defaulting State.
- 877 6. The defaulting State may appeal the action of the
- 878 Commission by petitioning the U.S. District Court for the
- 879 District of Columbia or the federal district where the
- 880 Commission has its principal offices. The prevailing member
- 881 shall be awarded all costs of such litigation, including
- 882 reasonable attorney's fees.
- 883 C. Dispute Resolution
- 884 1. Upon request by a Member State, the Commission
- shall attempt to resolve disputes related to the Compact
- 886 that arise among Member States and between member and non-
- 887 Member States.
- 888 2. The Commission shall promulgate a Rule providing
- 889 for both mediation and binding dispute resolution for
- 890 disputes as appropriate.
 - D. Enforcement
- 1. The Commission, in the reasonable exercise of its
- 893 discretion, shall enforce the provisions and Rules of this
- 894 Compact.

- 2. By majority vote, the Commission may initiate legal
- 896 action in the United States District Court for the District
- 897 of Columbia or the federal district where the Commission has

- 898 its principal offices against a Member State in default to
- 899 enforce compliance with the provisions of the Compact and
- 900 its promulgated Rules and bylaws. The relief sought may
- 901 include both injunctive relief and damages. In the event
- 902 judicial enforcement is necessary, the prevailing member
- 903 shall be awarded all costs of such litigation, including
- 904 reasonable attorney's fees.
- 905 3. The remedies herein shall not be the exclusive
- 906 remedies of the Commission. The Commission may pursue any
- 907 other remedies available under federal or State law.
- 908 SECTION 12. DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERSTATE
- 909 COMMISSION FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PRACTICE AND ASSOCIATED
- 910 RULES, WITHDRAWAL, AND AMENDMENT
- 911 A. The Compact shall come into effect on the date on
- 912 which the Compact statute is enacted into law in the tenth
- 913 Member State. The provisions, which become effective at
- 914 that time, shall be limited to the powers granted to the
- 915 Commission relating to assembly and the promulgation of
- 916 Rules. Thereafter, the Commission shall meet and exercise
- 917 Rulemaking powers necessary to the implementation and
- 918 administration of the Compact.
- 919 B. Any State that joins the Compact subsequent to the
- 920 Commission's initial adoption of the Rules shall be subject
- 921 to the Rules as they exist on the date on which the Compact
- 922 becomes law in that State. Any Rule that has been
- 923 previously adopted by the Commission shall have the full
- 924 force and effect of law on the day the Compact becomes law
- 925 in that State.
- 926 C. Any Member State may withdraw from this Compact by
- 927 enacting a statute repealing the same.
- 928 1. A Member State's withdrawal shall not take effect
- 929 until six (6) months after enactment of the repealing
- 930 statute.

931	2. Withdrawal shall not affect the continuing
932	requirement of the withdrawing State's Occupational Therapy
933	Licensing Board to comply with the investigative and Adverse
934	Action reporting requirements of this act prior to the
935	effective date of withdrawal.
936	D. Nothing contained in this Compact shall be
937	construed to invalidate or prevent any Occupational Therapy
938	licensure agreement or other cooperative arrangement between
939	a Member State and a non-Member State that does not conflict
940	with the provisions of this Compact.
941	E. This Compact may be amended by the Member States.
942	No amendment to this Compact shall become effective and
943	binding upon any Member State until it is enacted into the
944	laws of all Member States.
945	SECTION 13. CONSTRUCTION AND SEVERABILITY
946	This Compact shall be liberally construed so as to
947	effectuate the purposes thereof. The provisions of this
948	Compact shall be severable and if any phrase, clause,
949	sentence or provision of this Compact is declared to be
950	contrary to the constitution of any Member State or of the
951	United States or the applicability thereof to any
952	government, agency, person, or circumstance is held invalid,
953	the validity of the remainder of this Compact and the
954	applicability thereof to any government, agency, person, or
955	circumstance shall not be affected thereby. If this Compact
956	shall be held contrary to the constitution of any Member
957	State, the Compact shall remain in full force and effect as
958	to the remaining Member States and in full force and effect
959	as to the Member State affected as to all severable matters.
960	SECTION 14. BINDING EFFECT OF COMPACT AND OTHER LAWS
961	A. A Licensee providing Occupational Therapy in a
962	Remote State under the Compact Privilege shall function
963	within the laws and regulations of the Remote State.

- B. Nothing herein prevents the enforcement of any
 other law of a Member State that is not inconsistent with
 the Compact.
- 967 <u>C. Any laws in a Member State in conflict with the</u>
 968 Compact are superseded to the extent of the conflict.
- D. Any lawful actions of the Commission, including all Rules and bylaws promulgated by the Commission, are binding upon the Member States.
- 972 <u>E. All agreements between the Commission and the</u>
 973 Member States are binding in accordance with their terms.
- F. In the event any provision of the Compact exceeds
 the constitutional limits imposed on the legislature of any
 Member State, the provision shall be ineffective to the
 extent of the conflict with the constitutional provision in
 guestion in that Member State.
 - 324.200. 1. Sections 324.200 to 324.225 shall be known and may be cited as the "Dietitian Practice Act".
 - 3 2. As used in sections 324.200 to 324.225, the following terms shall mean:
 - 5 (1) "Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition 6 and Dietetics" or "ACEND", the Academy of Nutrition and 7 Dietetics accrediting agency for education programs 8 preparing students for professions as registered dietitians;
- 9 (2) "Committee", the state committee of dietitians 10 established in section 324.203;
- 11 (3) "Dietetics practice", the application of
 12 principles derived from integrating knowledge of food,
 13 nutrition, biochemistry, physiology, management, and
 14 behavioral and social science to achieve and maintain the
 15 health of people by providing nutrition assessment and
 16 nutrition care services. The primary function of dietetic
 17 practice is the provision of nutrition care services that
- 18 shall include, but not be limited to:

- 19 (a) Assessing the nutrition needs of individuals and
- 20 groups and determining resources and constraints in the
- 21 practice setting;
- 22 (b) Establishing priorities, goals, and objectives
- 23 that meet nutrition needs and are consistent with available
- 24 resources and constraints;
- 25 (c) Providing nutrition counseling or education in
- 26 health and disease;
- 27 (d) Developing, implementing, and managing nutrition
- 28 care systems;
- 29 (e) Evaluating, making changes in, and maintaining
- 30 appropriate standards of quality and safety in food and in
- 31 nutrition services;
- 32 (f) Engaged in medical nutritional therapy as defined
- in subdivision (8) of this section;
- 34 (4) "Dietitian", one engaged in dietetic practice as
- 35 defined in subdivision (3) of this section;
- 36 (5) "Director", the director of the division of
- 37 professional registration;
- 38 (6) "Division", the division of professional
- 39 registration;
- 40 (7) "Licensed dietitian", a person who is licensed
- 41 pursuant to the provisions of sections 324.200 to 324.225 to
- 42 engage in the practice of dietetics or medical nutrition
- 43 therapy;
- 44 (8) "Medical nutrition therapy", [nutritional
- 45 diagnostic, therapy, and counseling services which are
- 46 furnished by a registered dietitian or registered dietitian
- 47 nutritionist] the provision of nutrition care services for
- 48 the treatment or management of a disease or medical
- 49 <u>condition</u>;
- 50 (9) "Registered dietitian" or "registered dietitian
- 51 nutritionist", a person who:

- 52 (a) Has completed a minimum of a baccalaureate degree 53 granted by a United States regionally accredited college or 54 university or foreign equivalent;
- (b) Completed the academic requirements of a didacticprogram in dietetics, as approved by ACEND;
- 57 (c) Successfully completed the registration58 examination for dietitians; and
- (d) Accrued seventy-five hours of approved continuing
 professional units every five years; as determined by the
 Committee on Dietetic Registration.
- 324.206. <u>1.</u> As long as the person involved does not represent or hold himself or herself out as a dietitian as defined by subdivision (4) of subsection 2 of section 324.200, nothing in sections 324.200 to 324.225 is intended to limit, preclude, or otherwise interfere with:
- 6 (1) Self-care by a person or gratuitous care by a7 friend or family member;
- 8 (2) Persons in the military services or working in 9 federal facilities from performing any activities described 10 in sections 324.200 to 324.225 during the course of their 11 assigned duties in the military service or a federal 12 facility;
- 13 (3) A licensed health care provider performing any 14 activities described in sections 324.200 to 324.225 that are 15 within the scope of practice of the licensee;
- 16 (4) A person pursuing an approved educational program
 17 leading to a degree or certificate in dietetics at an
 18 accredited or approved educational program as long as such
 19 person does not provide dietetic services outside the
 20 educational program. Such person shall be designated by a
 21 title that clearly indicates the person's status as a
 22 student;

- 23 (5) Individuals who do not hold themselves out as
- 24 dietitians marketing or distributing food products including
- 25 dietary supplements as defined by the Food and Drug
- 26 Administration or engaging in the explanation and education
- 27 of customers regarding the use of such products;
- 28 (6) Any person furnishing general nutrition
- 29 information as to the use of food, food materials, or
- 30 dietary supplements, nor prevent in any way the free
- 31 dissemination of literature;
- 32 (7) A person credentialed in the field of nutrition
- 33 from providing advice, counseling, or evaluations in matters
- 34 of food, diet, or nutrition to the extent such acts are
- 35 within the scope of practice listed by the credentialing
- 36 body and do not constitute medical nutrition therapy;
- 37 provided, however, no such individual may call himself or
- 38 herself a dietitian unless he or she is licensed under this
- 39 chapter.
- 40 2. A credentialed person not representing or holding
- 41 himself or herself out as a dietitian, who performs any of
- 42 the acts or services listed in subsection 1 of this section,
- 43 shall provide, prior to performing such act or service for
- 44 another, the following:
- 45 (1) The person's name and title;
- 46 (2) The person's business address and telephone number;
- 47 (3) A statement that the person is not a dietitian
- 48 licensed by the state of Missouri;
- 49 (4) A statement that the information provided or
- 50 advice given may be considered alternative care by licensed
- 51 practitioners in the state of Missouri; and
- 52 (5) The person's qualifications for providing such
- 53 information or advice, including educational background,
- 54 training, and experience.

- 327.011. As used in this chapter, the following words and terms shall have the meanings indicated:
- 3 (1) "Accredited degree program from a school of
- 4 architecture", a degree from any school or other institution
- 5 which teaches architecture and whose curricula for the
- 6 degree in question have been, at the time in question,
- 7 certified as accredited by the National Architectural
- 8 Accrediting Board;

- 9 (2) "Accredited school of engineering", any school or
- 10 other institution which teaches engineering and whose
- 11 curricula on the subjects in question are or have been, at
- 12 the time in question certified as accredited by the
- 13 engineering accreditation commission of the accreditation
- 14 board for engineering and technology or its successor
- 15 organization;
- 16 (3) "Accredited school of landscape architecture", any
- 17 school or other institution which teaches landscape
- 18 architecture and whose curricula on the subjects in question
- 19 are or have been at the times in question certified as
- 20 accredited by the Landscape Architecture Accreditation Board
- 21 of the American Society of Landscape Architects;
- 22 (4) "Architect", any person authorized pursuant to the
- 23 provisions of this chapter to practice architecture in
- 24 Missouri, as the practice of architecture is defined in
- 25 section 327.091;
- 26 (5) "Board", the Missouri board for architects,
- 27 professional engineers, professional land surveyors and
- 28 professional landscape architects;
- 29 (6) "Corporation", any general business corporation,
- 30 professional corporation or limited liability company;
- 31 (7) "Design coordination", the review and coordination
- 32 of technical submissions prepared by others including, as
- 33 appropriate and without limitation, architects, professional

- 34 engineers, professional land surveyors, professional
- 35 landscape architects, and other consultants;
- 36 (8) "Design survey", a survey which includes all
- 37 activities required to gather information to support the
- 38 sound conception, planning, design, construction,
- 39 maintenance, and operation of design projects, but excludes
- 40 the surveying of real property for the establishment of land
- 41 boundaries, rights-of-way, easements, and the dependent or
- 42 independent surveys or resurveys of the public land survey
- 43 system;
- 44 (9) "Incidental practice", the performance of other
- 45 professional services licensed under chapter 327 that are
- 46 related to a licensee's professional service, but are
- 47 secondary and substantially less in scope and magnitude when
- 48 compared to the professional services usually and normally
- 49 performed by the licensee practicing in their licensed
- 50 profession. This incidental professional service shall be
- 51 safely and competently performed by the licensee without
- 52 jeopardizing the health, safety, and welfare of the public.
- 53 The licensee shall be qualified by education, training, and
- 54 experience as determined by the board and in sections
- 55 327.091, 327.181, 327.272, and 327.600 and applicable board
- 56 rules to perform such incidental professional service;
- 57 (10) "Licensee", a person licensed to practice any
- 58 profession regulated under this chapter or a corporation
- 59 authorized to practice any such profession;
- 60 (11) "Partnership", any partnership or limited
- 61 liability partnership;
- (12) "Person", any [person] individual, corporation,
- 63 firm, partnership, association or other entity authorized to
- do business;
- 65 (13) "Professional engineer", any person authorized
- 66 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to practice as a

- professional engineer in Missouri, as the practice of engineering is defined in section 327.181;
- (14) "Professional land surveyor", any person authorized pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to practice as a professional land surveyor in Missouri as the practice of land surveying is defined in section 327.272;
- 73 (15) "Professional landscape architect", any person 74 authorized pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to 75 practice as a professional landscape architect in Missouri 76 as the practice of landscape architecture is defined in 77 section 327.600;
- 78 (16) "Responsible charge", the independent direct
 79 control of a licensee's work and personal supervision of
 80 such work pertaining to the practice of architecture,
 81 engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture.
 - 327.091. 1. [Any person practices as an architect in
- 2 Missouri who renders or offers to render or represents
- 3 himself or herself as willing or able to render service or
- 4 creative work which requires architectural education,
- 5 training and experience, including services and work such as
- 6 consultation, evaluation, planning, aesthetic and structural
- 7 design, the preparation of drawings, specifications and
- 8 related documents, and the coordination of services
- 9 furnished by structural, civil, mechanical and electrical
- 10 engineers and other consultants as they relate to
- 11 architectural work in connection with the construction or
- 12 erection of any private or public building, building
- 13 structure, building project or integral part or parts of
- 14 buildings or of any additions or alterations thereto; or who
- 15 uses the title "architect" or the terms "architect" or
- 16 "architecture" or "architectural" alone or together with any
- 17 words other than "landscape" that indicate or imply that
- 18 such person is or holds himself or herself out to be an

- 19 architect] The practice of architecture is the rendering of
- 20 or offering to render services in connection with the design
- 21 and construction of public and private buildings, structures
- 22 and shelters, site improvements, in whole or part and
- 23 including any additions or alterations thereto, as well as
- 24 to the spaces within and the site surrounding such buildings
- 25 and structures, which have as their principal purpose human
- occupancy or habitation. The services referred to include
- 27 <u>consultation</u>, design surveys, feasibility studies,
- 28 evaluation, planning, aesthetic and structural design,
- 29 preliminary design, drawings, specifications, technical
- 30 submissions, and other instruments of service, the
- 31 administration of construction contracts, construction
- 32 observation and inspection, and the coordination of any
- 33 elements of technical submissions prepared by others,
- 34 including professional engineers, landscape architects, and
- 35 other consultants that pertain to the practice of
- 36 architecture. A person shall be considered to be practicing
- 37 architecture when such person uses the title "architect" or
- 38 the terms "architect" or "architecture" or "architectural"
- 39 alone or together with any words other than "landscape" to
- 40 indicate or imply that such person is or holds himself or
- 41 herself out to be an architect. Only a person with the
- 42 required architectural education, practical training,
- 43 relevant work experience, and licensure may practice as an
- 44 architect in Missouri.
- 45 2. Architects shall be in responsible charge of all
- 46 architectural design of buildings and structures that can
- 47 affect the health, safety, and welfare of the public within
- 48 their scope of practice.
 - 327.101. 1. No person shall practice architecture in
- 2 Missouri as defined in section 327.091 unless and until
- 3 there is issued to the person a license or a certificate of

- 4 authority certifying that the person has been duly licensed
- 5 as an architect or authorized to practice architecture, in
- 6 Missouri, and unless such license has been renewed as
- 7 hereinafter specified[; provided, however, that nothing in
- 8 this chapter shall apply to the following persons].
- 9 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of
- this section, the following persons may engage in actions
- 11 defined as the practice of architecture in section 327.091,
- 12 provided that such persons shall not use the title
- 13 "architect" or the terms "architect" or "architecture" or
- 14 "architectural" alone or together with any words other than
- 15 "landscape" that indicate or imply that such person is or
- 16 holds himself or herself out to be an architect:
- 17 (1) Any person who is an employee of a person holding
- 18 a currently valid license as an architect or who is an
- 19 employee of any person holding a currently valid certificate
- 20 of authority pursuant to this chapter, and who performs
- 21 architectural work under the direction and continuing
- 22 supervision of and is checked by one holding a currently
- valid license as an architect pursuant to this chapter;
- 24 (2) Any person who is a regular full-time employee who
- 25 performs architectural work for the person's employer if and
- 26 only if all such work and service so performed is in
- 27 connection with a facility owned or wholly operated by the
- 28 employer and which is occupied by the employer of the
- 29 employee performing such work or service, and if and only if
- 30 such work and service so performed do not endanger the
- 31 public health or safety;
- 32 (3) Any holder of a currently valid license or
- 33 certificate of authority as a professional engineer who
- 34 performs only such architecture as incidental practice and
- 35 necessary to the completion of professional services

- 136 lawfully being performed by such licensed professional
 137 engineer;
- 38 (4) Any person who is a professional landscape architect, city planner or regional planner who performs 39 work consisting only of consultations concerning and 40 41 preparation of master plans for parks, land areas or communities, or the preparation of plans for and the 42 43 supervision of the planting and grading or the construction of walks and paving for parks or land areas and such other 44 45 minor structural features as fences, steps, walls, small decorative pools and other construction not involving 46 structural design or stability and which is usually and 47

customarily included within the area of work of a

professional landscape architect or planner;

- 50 (5) Any person who renders architectural services in
 51 connection with the construction, remodeling or repairing of
 52 any privately owned building described in paragraphs (a),
 53 (b), or (c)[, (d), and (e)] which follow, and who indicates
 54 on any drawings, specifications, estimates, reports or other
 55 documents furnished in connection with such services that
 56 the person is not a licensed architect:
 - (a) A dwelling house; or

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- (b) A multiple family dwelling house, flat or apartment containing not more than two families; or
- (c) [A commercial or industrial building or structure which provides for the employment, assembly, housing, sleeping or eating of not more than nine persons; or
- (d) Any one structure containing less than two
 thousand square feet, except as provided in (b) and (c)
 above, and which is not a part or a portion of a project
 which contains more than one structure; or
- 67 (e) A building or structure used exclusively for farm 68 purposes] Any one building or structure, except for those

- 69 buildings or structures referenced in subdivision (8) of
- 70 this subsection, which provides for the employment,
- 71 assembly, housing, sleeping, or eating of not more than nine
- 72 persons, contains less than two thousand square feet, and is
- 73 not part of another building or structure;
- 74 (6) Any person who renders architectural services in
- 75 connection with the remodeling or repairing of any privately
- 76 owned multiple family dwelling house, flat or apartment
- 77 containing three or four families, provided that the
- 78 alteration, renovation, or remodeling does not affect
- 79 architectural or engineering safety features of the building
- 80 and who indicates on any drawings, specifications,
- 81 estimates, reports or other documents furnished in
- 82 connection with such services that the person is not a
- 83 licensed architect;
- 84 (7) Any person or corporation who is offering, but not
- 85 performing or rendering, architectural services if the
- 86 person or corporation is licensed to practice architecture
- 87 in the state or country of residence or principal place of
- 88 business; or
- 89 (8) Any person who renders architectural services in
- 90 connection with the construction, remodeling, or repairing
- 91 of any building or structure used exclusively for
- 92 agriculture purposes.
 - 327.131. Any person may apply to the board for
- 2 licensure as an architect who is over the age of twenty-one,
- 3 has acquired an accredited degree from an accredited degree
- 4 program from a school of architecture, holds a certified
- 5 Intern Development Program (IDP) or Architectural Experience
- 6 Program (AXP) record with the National Council of
- 7 Architectural Registration Boards, and has taken and passed
- 8 all divisions of the Architect Registration Examination.

- 327.191. 1. No person shall practice as a 2 professional engineer in Missouri, as defined in section 3 327.181 unless and until there is issued to such person a professional license or a certificate of authority 4 5 certifying that such person has been duly licensed as a 6 professional engineer or authorized to practice engineering in Missouri, and unless such license or certificate has been 7 8 renewed as provided in section 327.261[; provided that 9 section 327.181 shall not be construed to prevent the 10 practice of engineering by the following persons]. 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of 11 this section, the following persons may engage in actions 12 13 defined as the practice of professional engineering in section 327.181, provided that such persons shall not use 14 the title "professional engineer" or "consulting engineer" 15 or the word "engineer" alone or preceded by any word 16 indicating or implying that such person is or holds himself 17 18 or herself out to be a professional engineer, or use any 19 word or words, letters, figures, degrees, titles, or other 20 description indicating or implying that such person is a professional engineer or is willing or able to practice 21 22 engineering: 23 (1) Any person who is an employee of a person holding
 - (1) Any person who is an employee of a person holding a currently valid license as a professional engineer or who is an employee of a person holding a currently valid certificate of authority pursuant to this chapter, and who performs professional engineering work under the direction and continuing supervision of and is checked by one holding a currently valid license as a professional engineer pursuant to this chapter;

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(2) Any person who is a regular full-time employee of a person or any former employee under contract to a person, who performs professional engineering work for such employer

- if and only if all such work and service so performed is
 done solely in connection with a facility owned or wholly
 operated by the employer and occupied or maintained by the
 employer of the employee performing such work or service,
 and does not affect the health, safety, and welfare of the
 public;
 - (3) Any person engaged in engineering who is a full-time, regular employee of a person engaged in manufacturing operations and which engineering so performed by such person relates to the manufacture, sale or installation of the products of such person, and does not affect the health, safety, and welfare of the public;
 - (4) Any holder of a currently valid license or certificate of authority as an architect, professional land surveyor, or professional landscape architect who performs only such engineering as incidental practice and necessary to the completion of professional services lawfully being performed by such architect, professional land surveyor, or professional landscape architect;
 - (5) Any person who renders engineering services in connection with the construction, remodeling, or repairing of any privately owned building described as follows, and who indicates on any drawings, specifications, estimates, reports, or other documents furnished in connection with such services that the person is not a licensed professional engineer:
 - (a) A dwelling house;

- (b) A multiple family dwelling house, flat, or apartment containing no more than two families; or
- (c) Any one building or structure, except for those buildings or structures referenced in subdivision (8) of this subsection, which provides for the employment, assembly, housing, sleeping, or eating of not more than nine

- persons, contains less than two thousand square feet, and is
- 68 not part of another building or structure;
- 69 (6) Any person who renders engineering services in
- 70 connection with the remodeling or repairing of any privately
- 71 owned, multiple family dwelling house, flat, or apartment
- 72 containing three or four families, provided that the
- 73 <u>alteration</u>, renovation, or remodeling does not affect
- 74 architectural or engineering safety features of the
- 75 building, and who indicates on any drawings, specifications,
- 76 estimates, reports, or other documents furnished in
- 77 connection with such services that the person is not a
- 78 licensed professional engineer;
- 79 (7) Any person or corporation who is offering, but not
- 80 performing or rendering, professional engineering services
- 81 if the person or corporation is licensed to practice
- 82 professional engineering in the state or country of
- 83 residence or principal place of business;
- 84 (8) Any person who renders engineering services in
- 85 connection with the construction, remodeling, or repairing
- 86 of any building or structure used exclusively for
- 87 agricultural purposes.
 - 327.241. 1. After it has been determined that an
 - 2 applicant possesses the qualifications entitling the
 - 3 applicant to be examined, each applicant for examination and
 - 4 licensure as a professional engineer in Missouri shall
 - 5 appear before the board or its representatives for
 - 6 examination at the time and place specified.
 - 7 2. The examination or examinations shall be of such
 - 8 form, content and duration as shall be determined by the
- 9 board to thoroughly test the qualifications of each
- 10 applicant to practice as a professional engineer in Missouri.
- 11 3. Any applicant to be eligible for a license must
- 12 make a grade on each examination of at least seventy percent.

- 13 The engineering examination shall consist of two parts; the first part may be taken by any person after such 14 15 person has satisfied the educational requirements of section 327.221, or who is in his or her final year of study in an 16 accredited school of engineering; and upon passing part one 17 of the examination and providing proof that such person has 18 satisfied the educational requirements of section 327.221 19 20 and upon payment of the required fee, such person shall be 21 an engineer-intern, subject to the other provisions of this 22 chapter.
- 5. Any engineer-intern, as defined in subsection 4 of this section[, who has acquired at least four years of satisfactory engineering experience,] may take part two of the engineering examination and upon passing it and having acquired at least four years of satisfactory engineering experience shall be entitled to receive a license, subject, however, to the other provisions of this chapter.
- 30 Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections 4 and 31 5 of this section, the board may, in its discretion, provide by rule that any person who has graduated from and holds an 32 engineering degree from an accredited school of engineering 33 may thereupon be eligible to take both parts of the 34 engineering examination and that upon passing said 35 36 examination and acquiring four years of satisfactory engineering experience, after graduating and receiving a 37 38 degree as aforesaid, shall be entitled to receive a license to practice as a professional engineer, subject, however, to 39 the other provisions of this chapter. 40
 - 7. Any person who has graduated from and has received a degree in engineering from an accredited school of engineering may [then acquire four years of satisfactory engineering experience and thereafter] take both parts of the examination and upon passing and having acquired four

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- 46 years of satisfactory engineering experience shall be
- 47 entitled to receive a license to practice as a professional
- 48 engineer, subject, however, to the other provisions of this
- 49 chapter.
- [8. Any person entitled to be licensed as a
- 51 professional engineer as provided in subsection 5, 6, or 7
- of this section must be so licensed within four years after
- 53 the date on which he or she was so entitled, and if one is
- 54 not licensed within the time he or she is so entitled, the
- 55 engineering division of the board may require him to take
- 56 and satisfactorily pass such further examination as provided
- 57 by rule before issuing to him a license.]
 - 327.612. Any person who [has attained the age of
- twenty-one years, and] has a degree in landscape
- 3 architecture from an accredited school of landscape
- 4 architecture [and], or possesses an education which in the
- 5 opinion of the board equals or exceeds the education
- 6 received by a graduate of an accredited school, has acquired
- 7 at least three years satisfactory landscape architectural
- 8 experience after acquiring such a degree, and who has taken
- 9 and passed all sections of the landscape architectural
- 10 registration examination administered by the Council of
- 11 Landscape Architectural Registration Boards may apply to the
- 12 board for licensure as a professional landscape architect.
 - 337.068. 1. If the [board] committee finds merit to a
- 2 complaint by an individual incarcerated or under the care
- 3 and control of the department of corrections or who has been
- 4 ordered to be taken into custody, detained, or held under
- 5 sections 632.480 to 632.513, or who has been ordered to be
- 6 evaluated under chapter 552, and takes further investigative
- 7 action, no documentation may appear on file or disciplinary
- 8 action may be taken in regards to the licensee's license
- 9 unless the provisions of subsection 2 of section 337.035

- 10 have been violated. Any case file documentation that does
- 11 not result in the [board] committee filing an action
- 12 pursuant to subsection 2 of section 337.035 shall be
- destroyed within three months after the final case
- 14 disposition by the [board] committee. No notification to
- 15 any other licensing board in another state or any national
- 16 registry regarding any investigative action shall be made
- unless the provisions of subsection 2 of section 337.035
- 18 have been violated.
- 19 2. Upon written request of the psychologist subject to
- 20 a complaint, prior to August 28, 1999, by an individual
- 21 incarcerated or under the care and control of the department
- of corrections or prior to August 28, 2008, by an individual
- 23 who has been ordered to be taken into custody, detained, or
- 24 held under sections 632.480 to 632.513, or prior to August
- 25 28, 2021, by an individual who has been ordered to be
- 26 evaluated under chapter 552, that did not result in the
- 27 [board] committee filing an action pursuant to subsection 2
- of section 337.035, the [board] committee and the division
- 29 of professional registration, shall in a timely fashion:
- 30 (1) Destroy all documentation regarding the complaint;
- 31 (2) Notify any other licensing board in another state
- 32 or any national registry regarding the [board's] committee's
- 33 actions if they have been previously notified of the
- 34 complaint; and
- 35 (3) Send a letter to the licensee that clearly states
- 36 that the [board] committee found the complaint to be
- 37 unsubstantiated, that the [board] committee has taken the
- 38 requested action, and notify the licensee of the provisions
- 39 of subsection 3 of this section.
- 40 3. Any person who has been the subject of an
- 41 unsubstantiated complaint as provided in subsection 1 or 2
- 42 of this section shall not be required to disclose the

- 43 existence of such complaint in subsequent applications or
- 44 representations relating to their psychology professions.
 - 338.710. 1. There is hereby created in the Missouri
- 2 board of pharmacy the "RX Cares for Missouri Program". The
- 3 goal of the program shall be to promote medication safety
- 4 and to prevent prescription drug abuse, misuse, and
- 5 diversion in Missouri.
- 6 2. The board, in consultation with the department,
- 7 shall be authorized to expend, allocate, or award funds
- 8 appropriated to the board to private or public entities to
- 9 develop or provide programs or education to promote
- 10 medication safety or to suppress or prevent prescription
- 11 drug abuse, misuse, and diversion in the state of Missouri.
- 12 In no case shall the authorization include, nor the funds be
- 13 expended for, any state prescription drug monitoring program
- 14 including, but not limited to, such as are defined in 38 CFR
- 15 1.515. Funds disbursed to a state agency under this section
- 16 may enhance, but shall not supplant, funds otherwise
- 17 appropriated to such state agency.
- 18 3. The board shall be the administrative agency
- 19 responsible for implementing the program in consultation
- 20 with the department. The board and the department may enter
- 21 into interagency agreements between themselves to allow the
- 22 department to assist in the management or operation of the
- 23 program. The board may award funds directly to the
- 24 department to implement, manage, develop, or provide
- 25 programs or education pursuant to the program.
- 4. After a full year of program operation, the board
- 27 shall prepare and submit an evaluation report to the
- 28 governor and the general assembly describing the operation
- 29 of the program and the funds allocated. Unless otherwise
- 30 authorized by the general assembly, the program shall expire
- 31 on August 28, [2019] 2026.