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By Senators West, Niemi, Johnson and L. Kreidler.

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1            AN ACT Relating to physician assistants; and amending RCW  
2 18.71A.060.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.71A.060 and 1990 c 196 s 6 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            No health care services may be performed under this chapter in any  
7 of the following areas:

8            (1) The measurement of the powers or range of human vision, or the  
9 determination of the accommodation and refractive state of the human  
10 eye or the scope of its functions in general, or the fitting or  
11 adaptation of lenses or frames for the aid thereof.

12            (2) The prescribing or directing the use of, or using, any optical  
13 device in connection with ocular exercises, visual training, vision  
14 training or orthoptics.

1       (3) The prescribing of contact lenses for, or the fitting or  
2 adaptation of contact lenses to, the human eye.

3       (4) Nothing in this section shall preclude the performance of  
4 routine visual screening.

5       (5) The practice of dentistry or dental hygiene as defined in  
6 chapters 18.32 and 18.29 RCW respectively. The exemptions set forth in  
7 RCW 18.32.030, paragraphs (1) and (8), shall not apply to a physician  
8 assistant.

9       (6) The practice of chiropractic as defined in chapter 18.25 RCW  
10 including the adjustment or manipulation of the articulations of the  
11 spine.

12       (~~(7) The practice of podiatry as defined in chapter 18.22 RCW.~~)