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CERTIFICATE

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- AN ACT Relating to acupuncture; amending RCW 4.24.240, 4.24.290,
- 2 7.70.020, 18.06.010, 18.06.020, 18.06.045, 18.06.080, 18.06.090,
- 3 18.06.110, 18.06.120, 18.06.130, 18.06.140, 18.06.190, 18.06.200, and
- 4 18.120.020; and reenacting and amending RCW 18.130.040.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 4.24.240 and 1985 c 326 s 25 are each amended to read 7 as follows:
- 8 (1)(a) A person licensed by this state to provide health care or
- 9 related services, including, but not limited to, a ((certified))
- 10 <u>licensed</u> acupuncturist, a physician, osteopathic physician, dentist,
- 11 nurse, optometrist, ((podiatrist)) podiatric physician and surgeon,
- 12 chiropractor, physical therapist, psychologist, pharmacist, optician,
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physician's assistant, osteopathic physician's assistant, nurse

- 14 practitioner, including, in the event such person is deceased, his or
- 15 <u>her</u> estate or personal representative;

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- 16 (b) An employee or agent of a person described in subparagraph (a)
- 17 of this subsection, acting in the course and scope of his or her
- 18 employment, including, in the event such employee or agent is deceased,
- 19 his or her estate or personal representative; or

- 1 (c) An entity, whether or not incorporated, facility, or
- 2 institution employing one or more persons described in subparagraph (a)
- 3 of this subsection, including, but not limited to, a hospital, clinic,
- 4 health maintenance organization, or nursing home; or an officer,
- 5 director, trustee, employee, or agent thereof acting in the course and
- 6 scope of his or her employment, including in the event such officer,
- 7 director, employee, or agent is deceased, his or her estate or personal
- 8 representative;
- 9 shall be immune from civil action for damages arising out of the good
- 10 faith performance of their duties on such committees, where such
- 11 actions are being brought by or on behalf of the person who is being
- 12 evaluated.
- (2) No member, employee, staff person, or investigator of a 13 professional review committee shall be liable in a civil action as a 14 15 result of acts or omissions made in good faith on behalf of the 16 committee; nor shall any person be so liable for filing charges with or 17 supplying information or testimony in good faith to any professional review committee; nor shall a member, employee, staff person, or 18 19 investigator of a professional society, of a professional examining or 20 licensing board, of a professional disciplinary board, of a governing board of any institution, or of any employer of professionals be so 21 liable for good faith acts or omissions made in full or partial 22 reliance on recommendations or decisions of a professional review 23 24 committee or examining board.
- 25 **Sec. 2.** RCW 4.24.290 and 1994 sp.s. c 9 s 702 are each amended to 26 read as follows:
- 27 In any civil action for damages based on professional negligence against a hospital which is licensed by the state of Washington or 28 29 against the personnel of any such hospital, or against a member of the 30 healing arts including, but not limited to, an acupuncturist ((certified)) licensed under chapter 18.06 RCW, a physician licensed 31 under chapter 18.71 RCW, an osteopathic physician licensed under 32 33 chapter 18.57 RCW, a chiropractor licensed under chapter 18.25 RCW, a 34 dentist licensed under chapter 18.32 RCW, a podiatric physician and surgeon licensed under chapter 18.22 RCW, or a nurse licensed under 35 36 chapter 18.79 RCW, the plaintiff in order to prevail shall be required 37 to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that the defendant or defendants failed to exercise that degree of skill, care, and learning 38

- 1 possessed at that time by other persons in the same profession, and
- 2 that as a proximate result of such failure the plaintiff suffered
- 3 damages, but in no event shall the provisions of this section apply to
- 4 an action based on the failure to obtain the informed consent of a
- 5 patient.
- 6 **Sec. 3.** RCW 7.70.020 and 1985 c 326 s 27 are each amended to read 7 as follows:
- 8 As used in this chapter "health care provider" means either:
- 9 (1) A person licensed by this state to provide health care or
- 10 related services, including, but not limited to, a ((certified))
- 11 <u>licensed</u> acupuncturist, a physician, osteopathic physician, dentist,
- 12 nurse, optometrist, ((podiatrist)) podiatric physician and surgeon,
- 13 chiropractor, physical therapist, psychologist, pharmacist, optician,
- 14 physician's assistant, midwife, osteopathic physician's assistant,
- 15 nurse practitioner, or physician's trained mobile intensive care
- 16 paramedic, including, in the event such person is deceased, his or her
- 17 estate or personal representative;
- 18 (2) An employee or agent of a person described in part (1) above,
- 19 acting in the course and scope of his employment, including, in the
- 20 event such employee or agent is deceased, his or her estate or personal
- 21 representative; or
- 22 (3) An entity, whether or not incorporated, facility, or
- 23 institution employing one or more persons described in part (1) above,
- 24 including, but not limited to, a hospital, clinic, health maintenance
- 25 organization, or nursing home; or an officer, director, employee, or
- 26 agent thereof acting in the course and scope of his or her employment,
- 27 including in the event such officer, director, employee, or agent is
- 28 deceased, his <u>or her</u> estate or personal representative.
- 29 **Sec. 4.** RCW 18.06.010 and 1992 c 110 s 1 are each amended to read 30 as follows:
- 31 The following terms in this chapter shall have the meanings set
- 32 forth in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 33 (1) "Acupuncture" means a health care service based on ((a
- 34 traditional)) an Oriental system of medical theory utilizing Oriental
- 35 diagnosis and treatment to promote health and treat organic or
- 36 functional disorders by treating specific acupuncture points or

- 1 meridians. Acupuncture includes ((but is not necessarily limited to))
- 2 the following techniques:
- 3 (a) Use of acupuncture needles to stimulate acupuncture points and 4 meridians;
- 5 (b) Use of electrical, mechanical, or magnetic devices to stimulate 6 acupuncture points and meridians;
- 7 (c) Moxibustion;
- 8 (d) Acupressure;
- 9 (e) Cupping;
- 10 (f) Dermal friction technique;
- 11 (g) Infra-red;
- 12 (h) Sonopuncture;
- 13 (i) Laserpuncture;
- (j) ((Dietary advice based on traditional Oriental medical theory;
- 15 and
- 16 $\frac{(k)}{(k)}$) Point injection therapy (aquapuncture); and
- 17 <u>(k) Dietary advice based on Oriental medical theory provided in</u>
- 18 conjunction with techniques under (a) through (j) of this subsection.
- 19 (2) "Acupuncturist" means a person ((certified)) <u>licensed</u> under
- 20 this chapter.
- 21 (3) "Department" means the department of health.
- 22 (4) "Secretary" means the secretary of health or the secretary's
- 23 designee.
- 24 **Sec. 5.** RCW 18.06.020 and 1991 c 3 s 5 are each amended to read as
- 25 follows:
- 26 (1) No one may hold themselves out to the public as an
- 27 acupuncturist or ((certified)) licensed acupuncturist or any derivative
- 28 thereof which is intended to or is likely to lead the public to believe
- 29 such a person is an acupuncturist or ((certified)) licensed
- 30 acupuncturist unless ((certified)) licensed as provided for in this
- 31 chapter.
- 32 (2) A person may not practice acupuncture if the person is not
- 33 <u>licensed under this chapter</u>.
- 34 (3) No one may use any configuration of letters after their name
- 35 (including Ac.) which indicates a degree or formal training in
- 36 acupuncture unless ((certified)) licensed as provided for in this
- 37 chapter.

- 1 $((\frac{3}{3}))$ $(\frac{4}{3})$ The secretary may by rule proscribe or regulate 2 advertising and other forms of patient solicitation which are likely to 3 mislead or deceive the public as to whether someone is $(\frac{\text{certified}}{3})$ 4 licensed under this chapter.
- 5 **Sec. 6.** RCW 18.06.045 and 1992 c 110 s 2 are each amended to read 6 as follows:
- 7 Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit or restrict:
- 8 (1) The practice (([by an individual] licensed, certified, or 9 registered)) by an individual credentialed under the laws of this state 10 and performing services within such individual's authorized scope of 11 practice;
- 12 (2) The practice by an individual employed by the government of the 13 United States while engaged in the performance of duties prescribed by 14 the laws of the United States;

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- (3) The practice by a person who is a regular student in an educational program approved by the secretary, and whose performance of services is pursuant to a regular course of instruction or assignments from an instructor and under the general supervision of the instructor;
- 19 (4) The practice of acupuncture by any person ((licensed or <u>credentialed</u> to perform acupuncture in 20 certified)) any other jurisdiction where such person is doing so in the course of regular 21 instruction of a school of acupuncture approved by the secretary or in 22 23 an educational seminar by a professional organization of acupuncture, 24 provided that in the latter case, the practice is supervised directly 25 by a person ((certified pursuant to)) licensed under this chapter or licensed under any other healing art whose scope of practice includes 26 27 acupuncture.
- 28 **Sec. 7.** RCW 18.06.080 and 1994 sp.s. c 9 s 502 are each amended to 29 read as follows:
- (1) The secretary is hereby authorized and empowered to execute the provisions of this chapter and shall offer examinations in acupuncture at least twice a year at such times and places as the secretary may select. The examination shall be a written examination and may include a practical examination.
- 35 (2) The secretary shall develop or approve a ((certification))
 36 <u>licensure</u> examination in the subjects that the secretary determines are
 37 within the scope of and commensurate with the work performed by

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- 1 ((certified)) licensed acupuncturists and shall include but not
- 2 necessarily be limited to anatomy, physiology, microbiology,
- 3 biochemistry, pathology, hygiene, and acupuncture. All application
- 4 papers shall be deposited with the secretary and there retained for at
- 5 least one year, when they may be destroyed.
- 6 (3) If the examination is successfully passed, the secretary shall
- 7 confer on such candidate the title of ((Certified)) Licensed
- 8 Acupuncturist.
- 9 (4) The secretary may appoint members of the profession to serve in
- 10 an ad hoc advisory capacity to the secretary in carrying out this
- 11 chapter. The members will serve for designated times and provide
- 12 advice on matters specifically identified and requested by the
- 13 secretary. The members shall be compensated in accordance with RCW
- 14 43.03.220 and reimbursed for travel expenses under RCW 43.03.040 and
- 15 43.03.060.
- 16 (5) The secretary, ad hoc committee members, or individuals acting
- 17 in their behalf are immune from suit in a civil action based on any
- 18 certification or disciplinary proceedings or other official acts
- 19 performed in the course of their duties.
- 20 **Sec. 8.** RCW 18.06.090 and 1985 c 326 s 9 are each amended to read
- 21 as follows:
- 22 Before ((certification)) <u>licensure</u>, each applicant shall
- 23 demonstrate sufficient fluency in reading, speaking, and understanding
- 24 the English language to enable the applicant to communicate with other
- 25 health care providers and patients concerning health care problems and
- 26 treatment.
- 27 **Sec. 9.** RCW 18.06.110 and 1991 c 3 s 11 are each amended to read
- 28 as follows:
- 29 The uniform disciplinary act, chapter 18.130 RCW, governs
- 30 uncertified practice, the issuance and denial of ((certificates))
- 31 <u>licenses</u>, and the disciplining of ((certificate)) <u>license</u> holders under
- 32 this chapter. The secretary shall be the disciplining authority under
- 33 this chapter.
- 34 **Sec. 10.** RCW 18.06.120 and 1992 c 110 s 4 are each amended to read
- 35 as follows:

- (1) Every person ((certified)) <u>licensed</u> in acupuncture shall 1 register with the secretary annually and pay an annual renewal 2 3 ((registration)) fee determined by the secretary as provided in RCW 4 43.70.250 on or before the ((certificate)) license holder's birth anniversary date. The ((certificate)) license of the person shall be 5 renewed for a period of one year or longer in the discretion of the 6 7 secretary. A person whose practice is exclusively out-of-state or who 8 is on sabbatical shall be granted an inactive ((certification)) 9 <u>licensure</u> status and pay a reduced ((registration)) fee. The reduced 10 fee shall be set by the secretary under RCW 43.70.250.
- ((registration)) fee shall render the ((certificate)) license invalid.
 The ((certificate)) license shall be reinstated upon: (a) Written application to the secretary; (b) payment to the state of a penalty fee determined by the secretary as provided in RCW 43.70.250; and (c) payment to the state of all delinquent annual ((certificate)) license renewal fees.
- (3) Any person who fails to renew his or her ((certification))

 license for a period of three years shall not be entitled to renew

 ((such certification)) the licensure under this section. Such person,

 in order to obtain a ((certification)) licensure in acupuncture in this

 state, shall file a new application under this chapter, along with the

 required fee, and shall meet examination or continuing education

 requirements as the secretary, by rule, provides.
- 25 (4) All fees collected under this section and RCW 18.06.070 shall 26 be credited to the health professions account as required under RCW 27 43.70.320.
- 28 **Sec. 11.** RCW 18.06.130 and 1991 c 3 s 13 are each amended to read 29 as follows:
- The secretary shall develop a form to be used by an acupuncturist to inform the patient of the acupuncturist's scope of practice and qualifications. All ((certificate)) license holders shall bring the
- 33 form to the attention of the patients in whatever manner the secretary,
- 34 by rule, provides.
- 35 **Sec. 12.** RCW 18.06.140 and 1991 c 3 s 14 are each amended to read 36 as follows:

- Every ((certified)) <u>licensed</u> acupuncturist shall develop a written 1 2 plan for consultation, emergency transfer, and referral to other health care practitioners operating within the scope of their authorized 3 4 The written plan shall be submitted with the initial application for ((certification)) <u>licensure</u> as well as annually 5 thereafter with the ((certificate)) license renewal fee to the 6 7 department. The department may withhold ((certification)) licensure or 8 renewal of ((certification)) <u>licensure</u> if the plan fails to meet the 9 standards contained in rules ((promulgated)) adopted by the secretary. 10 When the acupuncturist sees patients with potentially serious disorders such as cardiac conditions, acute abdominal symptoms, and 11 such other conditions, the acupuncturist shall immediately request a 12 13 consultation or recent written diagnosis from a physician licensed under chapter 18.71 or 18.57 RCW. In the event that the patient with 14 15 the disorder refuses to authorize such consultation or provide a recent diagnosis from such physician, acupuncture treatment shall not be 16 17 continued.
- 18 **Sec. 13.** RCW 18.06.190 and 1991 c 3 s 18 are each amended to read 19 as follows:
- The secretary may ((certify)) license a person without examination if such person is ((licensed or certified)) credentialed as an acupuncturist in another jurisdiction if, in the secretary's judgment, the requirements of that jurisdiction are equivalent to or greater than those of Washington state.
- 25 **Sec. 14.** RCW 18.06.200 and 1985 c 326 s 20 are each amended to 26 read as follows:
- Nothing in this chapter may be construed to require that individual or group policies or contracts of an insurance carrier, health care service contractor, or health maintenance organization provide benefits or coverage for services and supplies provided by a person ((registered or certified)) licensed under this chapter.
- 32 **Sec. 15.** RCW 18.120.020 and 1994 sp.s. c 9 s 718 are each amended 33 to read as follows:
- The definitions contained in this section shall apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(1) "Applicant group" includes any health professional group or organization, any individual, or any other interested party which proposes that any health professional group not presently regulated be regulated or which proposes to substantially increase the scope of practice of the profession.

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- (2) "Certificate" and "certification" mean a voluntary process by which a statutory regulatory entity grants recognition to an individual who (a) has met certain prerequisite qualifications specified by that regulatory entity, and (b) may assume or use "certified" in the title or designation to perform prescribed health professional tasks.
- 11 (3) "Grandfather clause" means a provision in a regulatory statute 12 applicable to practitioners actively engaged in the regulated health 13 profession prior to the effective date of the regulatory statute which 14 exempts the practitioners from meeting the prerequisite qualifications 15 set forth in the regulatory statute to perform prescribed occupational 16 tasks.
 - (4) "Health professions" means and includes the following health and health-related licensed or regulated professions and occupations: Podiatric medicine and surgery under chapter 18.22 RCW; chiropractic under chapter 18.25 RCW; dental hygiene under chapter 18.29 RCW; dentistry under chapter 18.32 RCW; dispensing opticians under chapter 18.34 RCW; hearing aids under chapter 18.35 RCW; naturopaths under chapter 18.36A RCW; embalming and funeral directing under chapter 18.39 RCW; midwifery under chapter 18.50 RCW; nursing home administration under chapter 18.52 RCW; optometry under chapters 18.53 and 18.54 RCW; ocularists under chapter 18.55 RCW; osteopathy and osteopathic medicine and surgery under chapters 18.57 and 18.57A RCW; pharmacy under chapters 18.64 and 18.64A RCW; medicine under chapters 18.71 and 18.71A RCW; emergency medicine under chapter 18.73 RCW; physical therapy under 18.74 RCW; practical nurses under chapter 18.79 RCW; psychologists under chapter 18.83 RCW; registered nurses under chapter 18.79 RCW; occupational therapists licensed under chapter 18.59 RCW; respiratory care practitioners certified under chapter 18.89 RCW; veterinarians and animal technicians under chapter 18.92 RCW; health care assistants under chapter 18.135 RCW; massage practitioners under chapter 18.108 RCW; acupuncturists ((certified)) licensed under chapter 18.06 RCW; persons registered or certified under chapter 18.19 RCW; dietitians and nutritionists certified by chapter 18.138

- 1 radiologic technicians under chapter 18.84 RCW; and nursing assistants 2 registered or certified under chapter 18.88A RCW.
- (5) "Inspection" means the periodic examination of practitioners by a state agency in order to ascertain whether the practitioners' occupation is being carried out in a fashion consistent with the public health, safety, and welfare.
- 7 (6) "Legislative committees of reference" means the standing 8 legislative committees designated by the respective rules committees of 9 the senate and house of representatives to consider proposed 10 legislation to regulate health professions not previously regulated.
- 11 (7) "License," "licensing," and "licensure" mean permission to 12 engage in a health profession which would otherwise be unlawful in the 13 state in the absence of the permission. A license is granted to those 14 individuals who meet prerequisite qualifications to perform prescribed 15 health professional tasks and for the use of a particular title.
- 16 (8) "Professional license" means an individual, nontransferable 17 authorization to carry on a health activity based on qualifications 18 which include: (a) Graduation from an accredited or approved program, 19 and (b) acceptable performance on a qualifying examination or series of 20 examinations.
- (9) "Practitioner" means an individual who (a) has achieved knowledge and skill by practice, and (b) is actively engaged in a specified health profession.
 - (10) "Public member" means an individual who is not, and never was, a member of the health profession being regulated or the spouse of a member, or an individual who does not have and never has had a material financial interest in either the rendering of the health professional service being regulated or an activity directly related to the profession being regulated.
- (11) "Registration" means the formal notification which, prior to rendering services, a practitioner shall submit to a state agency setting forth the name and address of the practitioner; the location, nature and operation of the health activity to be practiced; and, if required by the regulatory entity, a description of the service to be provided.
- 36 (12) "Regulatory entity" means any board, commission, agency, 37 division, or other unit or subunit of state government which regulates 38 one or more professions, occupations, industries, businesses, or other 39 endeavors in this state.

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- 1 (13) "State agency" includes every state office, department, board,
- 2 commission, regulatory entity, and agency of the state, and, where
- 3 provided by law, programs and activities involving less than the full
- 4 responsibility of a state agency.
- 5 **Sec. 16.** RCW 18.130.040 and 1994 sp.s. c 9 s 603 and 1994 c 17 s 6 19 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 7 (1) This chapter applies only to the secretary and the boards and
- 8 commissions having jurisdiction in relation to the professions licensed
- 9 under the chapters specified in this section. This chapter does not
- 10 apply to any business or profession not licensed under the chapters
- 11 specified in this section.
- 12 (2)(a) The secretary has authority under this chapter in relation
- 13 to the following professions:
- 14 (i) Dispensing opticians licensed under chapter 18.34 RCW;
- 15 (ii) Naturopaths licensed under chapter 18.36A RCW;
- 16 (iii) Midwives licensed under chapter 18.50 RCW;
- 17 (iv) Ocularists licensed under chapter 18.55 RCW;
- 18 (v) Massage operators and businesses licensed under chapter 18.108
- 19 RCW;
- 20 (vi) Dental hygienists licensed under chapter 18.29 RCW;
- 21 (vii) Acupuncturists ((certified)) <u>licensed</u> under chapter 18.06
- 22 RCW;
- 23 (viii) Radiologic technologists certified and x-ray technicians
- 24 registered under chapter 18.84 RCW;
- 25 (ix) Respiratory care practitioners certified under chapter 18.89
- 26 RCW;
- 27 (x) Persons registered or certified under chapter 18.19 RCW;
- 28 (xi) Persons registered as nursing pool operators under chapter
- 29 18.52C RCW;
- 30 (xii) Nursing assistants registered or certified under chapter
- 31 18.79 RCW;
- 32 (xiii) Health care assistants certified under chapter 18.135 RCW;
- 33 (xiv) Dietitians and nutritionists certified under chapter 18.138
- 34 RCW;
- 35 (xv) Sex offender treatment providers certified under chapter
- 36 18.155 RCW; and
- 37 (xvi) Persons licensed and certified under chapter 18.73 RCW or RCW
- 38 18.71.205.

- (b) The boards and commissions having authority under this chapter 1
- 2 are as follows:
- 3 (i) The podiatric medical board as established in chapter 18.22 4 RCW;
- 5 (ii) The chiropractic quality assurance commission as established in chapter 18.25 RCW; 6
- 7 (iii) The dental quality assurance commission as established in 8 chapter 18.32 RCW;
- 9 (iv) The board on fitting and dispensing of hearing aids as 10 established in chapter 18.35 RCW;
- (v) The board of examiners for nursing home administrators as 11 established in chapter 18.52 RCW; 12
- (vi) The optometry board as established in chapter 18.54 RCW 13 governing licenses issued under chapter 18.53 RCW; 14
- 15 (vii) The board of osteopathic medicine and surgery as established 16 in chapter 18.57 RCW governing licenses issued under chapters 18.57 and 17 18.57A RCW;
- (viii) The board of pharmacy as established in chapter 18.64 RCW 18 19 governing licenses issued under chapters 18.64 and 18.64A RCW;
- 20 (ix) The medical quality assurance commission as established in chapter 18.71 RCW governing licenses and registrations issued under 21 chapters 18.71 and 18.71A RCW; 22
- 23 (x) The board of physical therapy as established in chapter 18.74 24 RCW;
- 25 (xi) The board of occupational therapy practice as established in 26 chapter 18.59 RCW;
- 27 (xii) The nursing care quality assurance commission as established in chapter 18.79 RCW governing licenses issued under that chapter; 28
- 29 (xiii) The examining board of psychology and its disciplinary 30 committee as established in chapter 18.83 RCW;
- 31 (xiv) The veterinary board of governors as established in chapter 18.92 RCW. 32
- (3) In addition to the authority to discipline license holders, the 33 34 disciplining authority has the authority to grant or deny licenses based on the conditions and criteria established in this chapter and 35 the chapters specified in subsection (2) of this section. This chapter 36 37 also governs any investigation, hearing, or proceeding relating to
- denial of licensure or issuance of a license conditioned on the 38

- 1 applicant's compliance with an order entered pursuant to RCW 18.130.160
- 2 by the disciplining authority.

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