

other persons or circumstances is not affected.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 22. This 1971 act may be known and cited as the "Snowmobile Act".

NEW SECTION. Sec. 23. To carry out the provisions of section 8(3) of this 1971 act there is appropriated to the commission from the general fund, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, or such lesser amount as represents fifteen percent per year of the snowmobile registration fees collected by the department, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

To carry out the provisions of section 8(4) of this 1971 act there is appropriated to the commission, to the department of natural resources, and to the department of game, from the general fund, the sums of one hundred thousand dollars for each, or such lesser amounts as represent twenty percent per year of the snowmobile registration fees collected by the department, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

To carry out the provisions of section 15 of this 1971 act there is appropriated to the commission, to the department of natural resources, and to the department of game, from the general fund, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars for each, or such lesser amounts as represent one third of the refund of tax on motor vehicle fuel which has been determined to be a tax on snowmobile fuel, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

To carry out the provisions of section 17 of this 1971 act, there is appropriated to the department from the motor vehicle fund, the sum of twenty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

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CHAPTER 30

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 182]

PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANTS--

OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANTS

AN ACT Relating to physician's assistants and osteopathic physician's assistants; and creating new sections.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. (1) "Physician's assistant" means a person who is enrolled in, or who has satisfactorily completed, a board approved training program designed to prepare persons to

practice medicine to a limited extent;

(2) "Board" means the board of medical examiners.

(3) "Practice medicine" shall have the meaning defined in RCW 18.71.010.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The board shall adopt rules and regulations fixing the qualifications and the educational and training requirements for persons who may be employed as physician's assistants or who may be enrolled in any physician's assistant training program.

The board shall, in addition, adopt rules and regulations governing the extent to which physician's assistants may practice medicine during training and after successful completion of a training course. Such regulations shall provide:

(1) That the practice of a physician's assistant shall be limited to the performance of those services for which he is trained; and

(2) That each physician's assistant shall practice medicine only under the supervision and control of a physician licensed in this state, but such supervision and control shall not be construed to necessarily require the personal presence of the supervising physician at the place where services are rendered.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A physician's assistant as defined in this 1971 act may practice medicine in this state only after authorization by the board and only to the extent permitted by the board. A physician's assistant shall be subject to discipline under chapter 18.72 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. No physician practicing in this state shall utilize the services of a physician's assistant without the approval of the board.

Any physician licensed in this state may apply to the board for permission to use the services of a physician's assistant. The application shall be accompanied by a fee of fifty dollars, shall detail the manner and extent to which the physician's assistant would be used and supervised, shall detail the education, training, and experience of the physician's assistant and shall provide such other information in such form as the board may require.

The board may approve or reject such applications. In addition, the board may modify the proposed utilization of the physician's assistant, and approve the application as modified. No such approval shall extend for more than one year, but approval once granted may be renewed annually upon payment of a fee of ten dollars. Whenever it appears to the board that a physician's assistant is being utilized in a manner inconsistent with the approval granted, the board may withdraw such approval. In the event a hearing is requested upon the rejection of an application, or upon

the withdrawal of an approval, a hearing shall be conducted in accordance with RCW 18.71.140.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. No physician who uses the services of a physician's assistant in accordance with and within the terms of any permission granted by the medical examining board shall be considered as aiding and abetting an unlicensed person to practice medicine within the meaning of RCW 18.71.020 or 18.72.030(13): PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That any physician shall retain professional and personal responsibility for any act which constitutes the practice of medicine as defined in RCW 18.71.010 when performed by a physician's assistant in his employ.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. No health care services may be performed under this chapter in any of the following areas:

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

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

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

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

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

(f) The practice of chiropractic as defined in Chapter 18.25 RCW including the adjustment or manipulation of the articulations of the spine.

(g) The practice of chiropody as defined in chapter 18.22 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. (1) "Osteopathic physician's assistant" means a person who has satisfactorily completed a board-approved training program designed to prepare persons to practice osteopathic medicine to a limited extent;

(2) "Board" means the committee of osteopathic examiners;

(3) "Practice medicine" shall have the meaning defined in RCW 18.57.130.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. The board shall adopt rules and regulations fixing the qualifications and the educational and training requirements for persons who may be employed as osteopathic physician's assistants or who may be enrolled in any physician's training program.

The board shall, in addition, adopt rules and regulations

governing the extent to which physician's assistants may practice medicine during training and after successful completion of a training course. Such regulations shall provide:

(1) That the practice of an osteopathic physician's assistant shall be limited to the performance of those services for which he is trained; and

(2) That each osteopathic physician's assistant shall practice medicine only under the supervision and control of an osteopathic physician licensed in this state, but such supervision and control shall not be construed to necessarily require the personal presence of the supervising physician at the place where services are rendered.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. An osteopathic physician's assistant as defined in this 1971 act may practice osteopathic medicine in this state only after authorization by the board and only to the extent permitted by the board. An osteopathic physician's assistant shall be subject to discipline under RCW 18.57.170.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. No osteopathic physician practicing in this state shall utilize the services of an osteopathic physician's assistant without the approval of the board.

Any osteopathic physician licensed in this state may apply to the board for permission to use the services of an osteopathic physician's assistant. The application shall be accompanied by a fee of fifty dollars, shall detail the manner and extent to which the physician's assistant would be used and supervised, shall detail the education, training, and experience of the osteopathic physician's assistant and shall provide such other information in such form as the board may require.

The board may approve or reject such applications. In addition, the board may modify the proposed utilization of the osteopathic physician's assistant, and approve the application as modified. No such approval shall extend for more than one year, but approval once granted may be renewed annually upon payment of a fee of ten dollars. Whenever it appears to the board that an osteopathic physician's assistant is being utilized in a manner inconsistent with the approval granted, the board may withdraw such approval. In the event a hearing is requested upon the rejection of an application, or upon the withdrawal of an approval, a hearing shall be conducted in accordance with RCW 18.57.180.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. No osteopathic physician who uses the services of an osteopathic physician's assistant in accordance with and within the terms of any permission granted by the medical examining board shall be considered as aiding and abetting an unlicensed person to practice osteopathic medicine within the meaning of RCW 18.57.080 or 18.57.030: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That any physician

shall retain professional and personal responsibility for any act which constitutes the practice of medicine as defined in RCW 18.57.130 when performed by a physician's assistant in his employ.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. No health care services may be performed under this chapter in any of the following areas:

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

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

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

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

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

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

(g) The practice of chiropody as defined in chapter 18.22 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. If any provision of this 1971 act, or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

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CHAPTER 31

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 196]

PAROLED, DISCHARGED PRISONERS

AND PERSONS CONVICTED OF FELONY AND GRANTED PROBATION--

AID AND ASSISTANCE

AN ACT Relating to crimes and punishments; creating a program of aid and assistance for paroled, discharged prisoners and persons convicted of a felony and granted probation; amending section 2, chapter 217, Laws of 1961 and RCW 9.95.310; amending