	NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIAN AMENDMENTS
	2005 GENERAL SESSION
	STATE OF UTAH
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LON	NG TITLE
Gen	eral Description:
	This bill modifies provisions of the Naturopathic Physician Practice Act related to
qual	ifications for licensure and financial interests of a licensee.
Higl	nlighted Provisions:
	This bill:
	<ul> <li>provides that an applicant seeking licensure as a naturopathic physician by</li> </ul>
endo	rsement shall pass examination requirements established by the division which
the a	pplicant has not passed in connection with licensure in another jurisdiction and
whic	h are available to the applicant to take without requiring additional professional
educ	ation; and
	<ul> <li>allows licensed naturopathic physicians to sell homeopathic remedies or dietary</li> </ul>
supp	lements from their offices.
Mor	ies Appropriated in this Bill:
	None
Oth	er Special Clauses:
	None
Utal	a Code Sections Affected:
AM	ENDS:
	58-71-302, as last amended by Chapter 131, Laws of Utah 2003
	58-71-801, as last amended by Chapter 280, Laws of Utah 2004

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28 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:* 29 Section 1. Section 58-71-302 is amended to read: 30 58-71-302. Qualifications for licensure. 31 (1) An applicant for licensure as a naturopathic physician, except as set forth in 32 Subsection (2), shall: 33 (a) submit an application in a form prescribed by the division which may include: 34 (i) submissions by the applicant of information maintained by practitioner data banks, 35 as designated by division rule, with respect to the applicant; and 36 (ii) a record of professional liability claims made against the applicant and settlements 37 paid by or in behalf of the applicant; 38 (b) pay a fee determined by the department under Section 63-38-3.2; 39 (c) be of good moral character; 40 (d) provide satisfactory documentation of having successfully completed a program of 41 professional education preparing an individual as a naturopathic physician, as evidenced by 42 having received an earned degree of doctor of naturopathic medicine from: 43 (i) a naturopathic medical school or college accredited by the Council of Naturopathic 44 Medical Education or its successor organization approved by the division; (ii) a naturopathic medical school or college that is a candidate for accreditation by the 45 46 Council of Naturopathic Medical Education or its successor organization, and is approved by 47 the division in collaboration with the board, upon a finding there is reasonable expectation the 48 school or college will be accredited; or 49 (iii) a naturopathic medical school or college which, at the time of the applicant's 50 graduation, met current criteria for accreditation by the Council of Naturopathic Medical 51 Education or its successor approved by the division; 52 (e) provide satisfactory documentation of having successfully completed, after 53 successful completion of the education requirements set forth in Subsection (1)(d), 12 months 54 of clinical experience in naturopathic medicine in a residency program recognized by the 55 division and associated with an accredited school or college of naturopathic medicine, and 56 under the preceptorship of a licensed naturopathic physician, physician and surgeon, or 57 osteopathic physician; 58 (f) pass the licensing examination sequence required by division rule established in

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59	collaboration with the board;
60	(g) be able to read, write, speak, understand, and be understood in the English language
61	and demonstrate proficiency to the satisfaction of the board if requested by the board; and
62	(h) meet with the board and representatives of the division, if requested, for the
63	purpose of evaluating the applicant's qualifications for licensure.
64	(2) An applicant for licensure as a naturopathic physician qualifying under the
65	endorsement provision of Section 58-1-302 shall:
66	(a) be currently licensed in good standing in another jurisdiction as set forth in Section
67	58-1-302;
68	(b) document having met all requirements for licensure under Subsection (1) except the
69	clinical experience requirement of Subsection (1)(e);
70	(c) have passed the examination requirements established under Subsection (1)(f)
71	which:
72	(i) the applicant has not passed in connection with licensure in another state or
73	jurisdiction; and
74	(ii) are available to the applicant to take without requiring additional professional
75	education;
76	(d) have been actively engaged in the practice $[as]$ of a naturopathic physician for not
77	less than 6,000 hours during the five years immediately preceding the date of application for
78	licensure in Utah; and
79	(e) meet with the board and representatives of the division, if requested for the purpose
80	of evaluating the applicant's qualifications for licensure.
81	Section 2. Section <b>58-71-801</b> is amended to read:
82	58-71-801. Disclosure of financial interest by licensee.
83	(1) Except as provided in [Subsection] Subsections (2) and (5), licensees under this
84	chapter may not own, directly or indirectly:
85	(a) any pharmacy or pharmaceutical facility as defined in Section 58-17b-102; or
86	(b) a retail store, wholesaler, distributor, manufacturer, or facility of any other kind
87	located in this state that is engaged in the sale, dispensing, delivery, distribution, or
88	manufacture of homeopathic remedies, dietary supplements, or natural medicines.
89	(2) A licensee may own or control less than 5% of the outstanding stock of a

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90 corporation whose ownership is prohibited under Subsection (1), if the stock of the corporation91 is publicly traded.

92 (3) Licensees under this chapter may not refer patients, clients, or customers to any 93 clinical laboratory, ambulatory or surgical care facilities, or other treatment or rehabilitation 94 services such as physical therapy, cardiac rehabilitation, or radiology services in which the 95 licensee or a member of the licensee's immediate family has any financial relationship as that 96 term is described in 42 U.S.C. 1395nn, unless the licensee at the time of making the referral 97 discloses that relationship, in writing, to the patient, client, or customer.

98 (4) The written disclosure under Subsection (3) shall also state the patient may choose
99 any facility or service center for purpose of having the laboratory work or treatment service
100 performed.

101 (5) Licensees under this chapter may [not] sell from their offices homeopathic

102 remedies or dietary supplements[,] as defined in the Federal Food Drug and Cosmetic Act[,

103 except for those products that are not readily available from other local sources].

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Based on a limited legal review, this legislation has not been determined to have a high probability of being held unconstitutional.

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