

House Bill No. 1651

An act relating to chiropractic education; amending s. 400.9905, F.S.; providing that pt. XIII of ch. 400, F.S., the Health Care Clinic Act, does not apply to clinical facilities affiliated with certain chiropractic colleges; amending s. 460.402, F.S.; providing an exception to regulation for chiropractic students participating in chiropractic college clinical internships; amending s. 460.403, F.S.; defining “chiropractic college clinical internship”; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (j) is added to subsection (4) of section 400.9905, Florida Statutes, to read:

400.9905 Definitions.—

(4) “Clinic” means an entity at which health care services are provided to individuals and which tenders charges for reimbursement for such services, including a mobile clinic and a portable equipment provider. For purposes of this part, the term does not include and the licensure requirements of this part do not apply to:

(j) Clinical facilities affiliated with a college of chiropractic accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education at which training is provided for chiropractic students.

Section 2. Subsection (6) of section 460.402, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

460.402 Exceptions.—The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to:

(6) A chiropractic student enrolled in a chiropractic college accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education and participating in either:

(a) A community-based internship under the direct supervision of a doctor of chiropractic medicine who is credentialed as an adjunct faculty member of a chiropractic college in which the student is enrolled; or

(b) A chiropractic college clinical internship under the direct supervision of a doctor of chiropractic medicine who is a full-time, part-time, or adjunct faculty member of a chiropractic college located in this state and accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education and who holds a current, active Florida chiropractor’s license.

Section 3. Subsection (4) of section 460.403, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

460.403 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the term:

(4)(a) “Community-based internship” means a program in which a student enrolled in the last year of a chiropractic college accredited by the

Council on Chiropractic Education is approved to obtain required pre-graduation clinical experience in a chiropractic clinic or practice under the direct supervision of a doctor of chiropractic medicine approved as an adjunct faculty member of the chiropractic college in which the student is enrolled, according to the teaching protocols for the clinical practice requirements of the college.

(b) “Chiropractic college clinical internship” means a program in which a student enrolled in a chiropractic college located in this state and accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education obtains clinical experience pursuant to the chiropractic college’s curriculum in a classroom or chiropractic clinic operated by the chiropractic college, according to the teaching protocols for the clinical practice requirements of the college.

Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor June 17, 2005.

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