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Introduced by M. of A. PERRY -- read once and referred to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, the limited liability company law and the partnership law, in relation to the practice of naturopathy; and to amend the social services law, in relation to the reporting of child abuse

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Legislative intent. In order to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens who desire naturopathic care, the legislature finds it is necessary to regulate the practice of naturopathy by providing licensure for qualified practitioners. It is the legislature's intent that only practitioners who meet and maintain standards of competence are recognized by the public as licensed naturopaths. The legislature recognizes that, unlike other currently licensed professions, naturopathic doctors are formally educated in the use of natural therapies, natural substances and pharmacological substances for common health conditions and disease prevention. Naturopaths serve the public as experts in drug/nutrient and drug/herb interactions.

S 2. The education law is amended by adding a new article 132-A to read as follows:

ARTICLE 132-A
NATUROPATHS

SECTION 6575. INTRODUCTION.
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EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

6583. PROHIBITIONS.
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S 6575. INTRODUCTION. THIS ARTICLE APPLIES TO THE LICENSURE AND REGULATION OF NATUROPATHIC DOCTORS TO PRACTICE NATUROPATHY IN THIS STATE. THE GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR ALL PROFESSIONS CONTAINED IN ARTICLE ONE HUNDRED THIRTY, AS ADDED BY CHAPTER NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVEN OF THE LAWS OF NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE, OF THIS TITLE APPLY TO THIS ARTICLE.

S 6576. DEFINITIONS. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE, THE TERM "BOARD" MEANS THE STATE BOARD FOR NATUROPATHY.

S 6577. DEFINITION OF THE PRACTICE OF NATUROPATHY. 1. THE PRACTICE OF THE PROFESSION OF NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE IS DEFINED AS THE PREVENTION, ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF INJURIES, DISEASES AND CONDITIONS OF THE HUMAN BODY THROUGH THE USE OF EDUCATION, NUTRITION, NATUROPATHIC THERAPIES, NATURAL MEDICINES, AND NATUROPATHIC PHYSICAL MEDICINE THAT ARE DESIGNED TO SUPPORT AND/OR RESTORE AND/OR STIMULATE THE HUMAN BODY'S OWN NATURAL SELF-HEALING PROCESSES, AS WELL AS PRIMARY PREVENTIVE HEALTH CARE, AND SHALL INCLUDE EVALUATION AND REFERRAL AS NECESSARY. A LICENSED NATUROPATHIC DOCTOR SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY, AS NECESSARY, AND LIMITED TO THE PRACTICE OF NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE, TO ORDER LABORATORY TESTS AND IMAGING, AS ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMMISSIONER'S REGULATIONS.

2. DOCTORS OF NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE SHALL BE AUTHORIZED TO PRESCRIBE, ADMINISTER, DISPENSE OR USE FOR PREVENTATIVE AND THERAPEUTIC PURPOSES THE FOLLOWING NATURAL MEDICINES AND THERAPIES: FOOD, FOOD EXTRACTS, VITAMINS, MINERALS, ENZYMES, DIGESTIVE AIDS, DESICCATED THYROID EXTRACT, PLANT SUBSTANCES, ALL HOMEOPATHIC PREPARATIONS, TOPICAL PREPARATIONS, COUNSELING AND EDUCATION ON LIFESTYLE CHANGES, DIETARY THERAPY, NATUROPATHIC PHYSICAL MEDICINE, NON-INVASIVE THERAPEUTIC DEVICES, AND BARRIER DEVICES FOR CONTRACEPTION.

3. NATUROPATHIC PHYSICAL MEDICINE CONSISTS OF NATUROPATHIC MANUAL THERAPY, THE THERAPEUTIC USE OF PHYSICAL AGENTS OF AIR, WATER, HEAT, COLD, SOUND, LIGHT, TOUCH, AND THE PHYSICAL MODALITIES OF MUSCLE STIMULATION, HYDROTHERAPY, ULTRASOUND, AND EXERCISE.

4. EACH NATUROPATHIC DOCTOR LICENSED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE, SHALL ADVISE EACH PATIENT AS TO THE IMPORTANCE OF CONSULTING WITH A LICENSED PHYSICIAN REGARDING THE PATIENT'S CONDITION AND SHALL KEEP ON FILE WITH THE PATIENT'S RECORDS, A FORM ATTESTING TO THE PATIENT'S NOTICE OF SUCH ADVICE. SUCH FORM SHALL BE IN DUPLICATE, ONE COPY TO BE RETAINED BY THE PATIENT, SIGNED AND DATED BY BOTH THE NATUROPATHIC DOCTOR AND THE PATIENT AND SHALL BE PRESCRIBED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER: "WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, DO AFFIRM THAT (THE PATIENT) HAS BEEN ADVISED BY, (A LICENSED NATUROPATHIC DOCTOR), TO CONSULT A PHYSICIAN REGARDING THE CONDITION OR CONDITIONS FOR WHICH SUCH PATIENT SEEKS NATUROPATHIC CARE."

S 6578. TITLE AND DESIGNATION. ONLY A PERSON LICENSED UNDER THIS ARTICLE MAY USE ANY OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING TERMS, CONSISTENT WITH ACADEMIC DEGREES EARNED: "DOCTOR OF NATUROPATHY", "DOCTOR OF NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE" OR ITS ABBREVIATION, "ND", "NATUROPATH", "NATUROPATHIC DOCTOR" OR "LICENSED NATUROPATH". HOWEVER, NONE OF SUCH TERMS OR ANY COMBINATION OF SUCH TERMS SHALL BE SO USED TO CONVEY THE IDEA THAT THE INDIVIDUAL WHO USES SUCH TERM PRACTICES ANYTHING OTHER THAN NATUROPATHY.

S 6579. QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSURE. TO QUALIFY FOR A LICENSE TO PRACTICE NATUROPATHY, AN APPLICANT SHALL FULFILL THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

1. APPLICATION. FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT;

2. EDUCATION. HAVE RECEIVED A DOCTORAL DEGREE OR DIPLOMA AS A NATUROPATHIC DOCTOR (ND) OR DOCTOR OF NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE (ND) FROM A PROGRAM OF NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE REGISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OR DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT THAT MEETS NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ACCREDITATION STANDARDS SATISFACTORY TO THE BOARD AND DETERMINED TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMMISSIONER'S REGULATIONS;

3. EXPERIENCE. AS OF THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN, HAVE SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED AN APPROVED CLINICAL POST-GRADUATE RESIDENCY TRAINING, OF NOT LESS THAN TWELVE MONTHS DURATION, UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED NATUROPATHIC DOCTOR WITH A MINIMUM OF TWO YEARS OF PROFESSIONAL CLINICAL ACTIVITY AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMMISSIONER'S REGULATIONS;

4. EXAMINATION. PASS AN EXAMINATION THAT MEETS NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED TEST DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS AND TEST COMPETENCIES FOR NATUROPATHIC DOCTORS SATISFACTORY TO THE BOARD AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMMISSIONER'S REGULATIONS;

5. AGE. BE AT LEAST TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE;

6. CHARACTER. BE OF GOOD MORAL CHARACTER AS DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT; AND

7. FEES. PAY A FEE OF THREE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR AN INITIAL LICENSE AND A FEE OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR EACH TRIENNIAL REGISTRATION PERIOD.

S 6580. STATE BOARD FOR NATUROPATHY. A STATE BOARD FOR NATUROPATHY SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSISTING THE BOARD OF REGENTS AND THE DEPARTMENT ON MATTERS OF LICENSING AND REGULATION. THE BOARD SHALL BE COMPOSED OF SIX LICENSED MEMBERS FROM THE PROFESSION LICENSED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE AND TWO PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVES WHO DO NOT HOLD INTERESTS IN THE ORGANIZATION, FINANCING, OR DELIVERY OF NATUROPATHIC SERVICES AND ONE LICENSED PHYSICIAN WHO IS EITHER A DOCTOR OF MEDICINE OR A DOCTOR OF OSTEOPATHY. MEMBERS OF THE FIRST BOARD NEED NOT BE LICENSED PRIOR TO THEIR APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD BUT SHALL HAVE MET ALL OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF LICENSING UNDER SUBDIVISION TWO OF SECTION SIXTY-FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE OF THIS ARTICLE AND SHALL HAVE RESIDED IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK FOR AT LEAST TWO YEARS PRECEDING THEIR APPOINTMENT TO THE INITIAL BOARD. THE TERMS OF THE FIRST APPOINTED MEMBERS SHALL BE STAGGERED SO THAT THREE ARE APPOINTED FOR THREE YEARS, THREE ARE APPOINTED FOR FOUR YEARS, AND THREE ARE APPOINTED FOR FIVE YEARS. AN EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO THE BOARD SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS ON RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMISSIONER.

S 6581. EXEMPTIONS. NOTHING CONTAINED IN THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO AFFECT OR PREVENT THE FOLLOWING:

1. A LICENSED PHYSICIAN FROM PRACTICING HIS OR HER PROFESSION AS DEFINED UNDER ARTICLES ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-ONE AND ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-ONE-B OF THIS TITLE; A REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSE OR A CERTIFIED NURSE PRACTITIONER PRACTICING HIS OR HER PROFESSION AS DEFINED UNDER ARTICLE ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE OF THIS TITLE; OR QUALIFIED MEMBERS OF OTHER PROFESSIONS LICENSED UNDER THIS TITLE FROM PERFORMING THE PRACTICE OF THEIR PROFESSIONS, EXCEPT THAT SUCH PERSONS MAY NOT HOLD THEMSELVES OUT UNDER THE TITLE NATUROPATH OR AS PERFORMING NATUROPATHY;

2. A STUDENT, INTERN OR RESIDENT IN, AND AS PART OF, A SUPERVISED EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM IN AN INSTITUTION APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT;

3. THE USE BY NON-NATUROPATHIC DOCTORS, OF THERAPIES USED BY NATUROPATHIC DOCTORS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO HOMEOPATHIC REMEDIES, NUTRITIONAL AND DIETARY SUPPLEMENTS, HERBS, AND SUCH FORCES AS HEAT, COLD, WATER, TOUCH AND LIGHT.

S 6582. SPECIAL PROVISIONS. THE COMMISSIONER MAY ADOPT SUCH REGULATIONS AS APPROPRIATE TO LICENSE INDIVIDUALS WHO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSE ESTABLISHED IN THIS ARTICLE, EXCEPT FOR EXAMINATION AND, WHOSE STANDARDS ARE ACCEPTABLE TO THE COMMISSIONER. THE APPLICANT SHALL SUBMIT WITHIN ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY DAYS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION EVIDENCE SATISFACTORY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAVING GRADUATED PRIOR TO NINETEEN HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVEN FROM AN APPROVED PROGRAM.

S 6583. PROHIBITIONS. A NATUROPATHY PRACTITIONER LICENSED UNDER THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE PROHIBITED FROM:

1. PRESCRIBING OR ADMINISTERING LEGEND DRUGS, PRESCRIPTION DRUGS OR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES; AND

2. USING INVASIVE PROCEDURES IN TESTING OR AS A TREATMENT, THERAPY, OR PROFESSIONAL SERVICE IN THE PRACTICE OF NATUROPATHY. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBDIVISION, "INVASIVE PROCEDURE" MEANS ANY PROCEDURE IN WHICH HUMAN TISSUE IS CUT, ALTERED, OR OTHERWISE INFILTRATED BY MECHANICAL OR OTHER MEANS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF DRAWING BLOOD. INVASIVE PROCEDURE INCLUDES BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO SURGERY, LASERS, GIVING INJECTIONS, IONIZING RADIATION, ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY, ELECTRICAL SHOCK THERAPY OR ELECTROMYOGRAPHY; AND

3. PRACTICING OR CLAIMING TO PRACTICE AS A MEDICAL DOCTOR, OSTEOPATH, DENTIST, PODIATRIST, OPTOMETRIST, PSYCHOLOGIST, REGISTERED PRACTICE NURSE, ADVANCE PRACTICE PROFESSIONAL NURSE, MIDWIFE, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT, CHIROPRACTOR, PHYSICAL THERAPIST, ACUPUNCTURIST, MENTAL HEALTH THERAPIST OR ANY OTHER HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL NOT AUTHORIZED IN THIS CHAPTER; AND

4. USING ANESTHESIA OR ANY OTHER MEANS OF SEDATION IN THE PRACTICE OF NATUROPATHY; AND

5. PROVIDING OBSTETRICAL SERVICES; AND

6. PROVIDING PSYCHOTHERAPY SERVICES; AND

7. SETTING FRACTURES.

ENGAGING IN ANY OF THE ACTIVITIES SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION SHALL CONSTITUTE PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT PURSUANT TO SECTION SIXTY-FIVE HUNDRED NINE OF THIS TITLE.

S 6584. MANDATORY CONTINUING COMPETENCY. 1. A. EACH LICENSED NATUROPATH REQUIRED UNDER THIS ARTICLE TO REGISTER TRIENNIALLY WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO PRACTICE IN THE STATE SHALL COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE MANDATORY CONTINUING COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS PRESCRIBED IN SUBDIVISION TWO OF THIS SECTION, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPHS B AND C OF THIS SUBDIVISION. LICENSED NATUROPATHS WHO DO NOT SATISFY THE MANDATORY CONTINUING COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS SHALL NOT BE AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE UNTIL THEY HAVE MET SUCH REQUIREMENTS, AND THEY HAVE BEEN ISSUED A REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE, EXCEPT THAT A LICENSED NATUROPATH MAY PRACTICE WITHOUT HAVING MET SUCH REQUIREMENTS IF HE OR SHE IS ISSUED A CONDITIONAL REGISTRATION PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION THREE OF THIS SECTION.

B. ADJUSTMENT TO THE MANDATORY CONTINUING COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS MAY BE GRANTED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR REASONS OF HEALTH OF THE LICENSEE WHERE CERTIFIED BY AN APPROPRIATE HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL, FOR EXTENDED ACTIVE DUTY WITH THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, OR FOR OTHER GOOD CAUSE ACCEPTABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT WHICH MAY PREVENT COMPLIANCE.

C. A LICENSED NATUROPATH NOT ENGAGED IN PRACTICE, AS DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT, SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM THE MANDATORY CONTINUING COMPETENCY REQUIREMENT UPON THE FILING OF A STATEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT DECLARING SUCH STATUS. ANY LICENSEE WHO RETURNS TO THE PRACTICE OF LICENSED NATUROPATH DURING THE TRIENNIAL REGISTRATION PERIOD SHALL NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT PRIOR TO REENTERING THE PROFESSION AND SHALL MEET SUCH MANDATORY

CONTINUING COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS AS SHALL BE PRESCRIBED BY REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER.

2. A. DURING EACH TRIENNIAL REGISTRATION PERIOD AN APPLICANT FOR REGISTRATION AS A LICENSED NATUROPATH SHALL COMPLETE A MINIMUM OF THIRTY-SIX HOURS OF ACCEPTABLE LEARNING ACTIVITIES WHICH CONTRIBUTE TO CONTINUING COMPETENCE, AS SPECIFIED IN SUBDIVISION FOUR OF THIS SECTION, PROVIDED FURTHER THAT AT LEAST TWENTY-FOUR HOURS SHALL BE IN AREAS OF STUDY PERTINENT TO THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF NATUROPATHY. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS TAKEN DURING THE REGISTRATION PERIOD IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION, CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS TAKEN DURING ONE TRIENNIUM MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO A SUBSEQUENT TRIENNIUM.

B. ANY LICENSED NATUROPATH WHOSE FIRST REGISTRATION DATE FOLLOWING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION OCCURS LESS THAN THREE YEARS FROM SUCH EFFECTIVE DATE, SHALL COMPLETE CONTINUING COMPETENCY HOURS ON A PRORATED BASIS AT THE RATE OF ONE-HALF HOUR PER MONTH FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND THIRTEEN, UP TO THE FIRST REGISTRATION DATE.

C. THEREAFTER, A LICENSEE WHO HAS NOT SATISFIED THE MANDATORY CONTINUING COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS SHALL NOT BE ISSUED A TRIENNIAL REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE BY THE DEPARTMENT AND SHALL NOT PRACTICE UNLESS AND UNTIL A CONDITIONAL REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS PROVIDED FOR IN SUBDIVISION THREE OF THIS SECTION.

3. THE DEPARTMENT, IN ITS DISCRETION, MAY ISSUE A CONDITIONAL REGISTRATION TO A LICENSEE WHO FAILS TO MEET THE CONTINUING COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED IN SUBDIVISION TWO OF THIS SECTION, BUT WHO AGREES TO MAKE UP ANY DEFICIENCIES AND COMPLETE ANY ADDITIONAL LEARNING ACTIVITIES WHICH THE DEPARTMENT MAY REQUIRE.

THE FEE FOR SUCH A CONDITIONAL REGISTRATION SHALL BE THE SAME AS, AND IN ADDITION TO, THE FEE FOR THE TRIENNIAL REGISTRATION. THE DURATION OF SUCH CONDITIONAL REGISTRATION SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT BUT SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE YEAR. ANY LICENSEE WHO IS NOTIFIED OF THE DENIAL OF REGISTRATION FOR FAILURE TO SUBMIT EVIDENCE, SATISFACTORY TO THE DEPARTMENT, OF REQUIRED CONTINUING COMPETENCY LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND WHO PRACTICES WITHOUT SUCH REGISTRATION, SHALL BE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO SECTION SIXTY-FIVE HUNDRED TEN OF THIS TITLE.

4. AS USED IN SUBDIVISION TWO OF THIS SECTION, "ACCEPTABLE LEARNING ACTIVITIES" SHALL MEAN ACTIVITIES WHICH CONTRIBUTE TO PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE IN NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE, AND WHICH MEET THE STANDARDS PRESCRIBED IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER. SUCH LEARNING ACTIVITIES SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, COLLEGIATE LEVEL CREDIT AND NON-CREDIT COURSES, SELF-STUDY ACTIVITIES, INDEPENDENT STUDY, FORMAL MENTORING ACTIVITIES, PUBLICATIONS IN PROFESSIONAL JOURNALS, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND TECHNICAL SESSIONS; SUCH LEARNING ACTIVITIES MAY BE OFFERED AND SPONSORED BY NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS OR PARTIES ACCEPTABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT, AND ANY OTHER ORGANIZED EDUCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL LEARNING ACTIVITIES ACCEPTABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT MAY, IN ITS DISCRETION AND AS NEEDED TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THE PUBLIC, REQUIRE THE COMPLETION OF CONTINUING COMPETENCY LEARNING ACTIVITIES IN SPECIFIC SUBJECTS TO FULFILL THIS MANDATORY CONTINUING COMPETENCY REQUIREMENT. LEARNING ACTIVITIES MUST BE TAKEN FROM A SPONSOR APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT, PURSUANT TO THE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER.

5. LICENSED NATUROPATHS SHALL MAINTAIN ADEQUATE DOCUMENTATION OF COMPLETION OF:

A. A LEARNING PLAN THAT SHALL RECORD CURRENT AND ANTICIPATED ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES BUT SHALL NOT REQUIRE THE RECORDS OF PEER REVIEW OR SELF-ASSESSMENT OF COMPETENCIES; AND

B. ACCEPTABLE CONTINUING COMPETENCY LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND SHALL PROVIDE SUCH DOCUMENTATION AT THE REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT.

6. THE MANDATORY CONTINUING COMPETENCY FEE SHALL BE FIFTY DOLLARS FOR LICENSED NATUROPATHS, SHALL BE PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF EACH TRIENNIAL REGISTRATION PERIOD, AND SHALL BE PAID IN ADDITION TO THE TRIENNIAL REGISTRATION FEE REQUIRED BY SECTION SIXTY-FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE OF THIS ARTICLE.

S 3. Subdivision (a) of section 1203 of the limited liability company law, as separately amended by chapters 420 and 676 of the laws of 2002, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Notwithstanding the education law or any other provision of law, one or more professionals each of whom is authorized by law to render a professional service within the state, or one or more professionals, at least one of whom is authorized by law to render a professional service within the state, may form, or cause to be formed, a professional service limited liability company for pecuniary profit under this article for the purpose of rendering the professional service or services as such professionals are authorized to practice. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide medical services as such services are defined in article 131 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 131 of the education law to practice medicine in this state. WITH RESPECT TO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FORMED TO PROVIDE NATUROPATHIC SERVICES AS SUCH SERVICES ARE DEFINED IN ARTICLE 132-A OF THE EDUCATION LAW, EACH MEMBER OF SUCH LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY MUST BE LICENSED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 132-A OF THE EDUCATION LAW TO PRACTICE NATUROPATHY IN THIS STATE. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide dental services as such services are defined in article 133 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 133 of the education law to practice dentistry in this state. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide veterinary services as such services are defined in article 135 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 135 of the education law to practice veterinary medicine in this state. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide professional engineering, land surveying, architectural and/or landscape architectural services as such services are defined in article 145, article 147 and article 148 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 145, article 147 and/or article 148 of the education law to practice one or more of such professions in this state. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide licensed clinical social work services as such services are defined in article 154 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company shall be licensed pursuant to article 154 of the education law to practice licensed clinical social work in this state. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide creative arts therapy services as such services are defined in article 163 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice creative arts therapy in this state. With respect to a professional service

limited liability company formed to provide marriage and family therapy services as such services are defined in article 163 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice marriage and family therapy in this state. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide mental health counseling services as such services are defined in article 163 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice mental health counseling in this state. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide psychoanalysis services as such services are defined in article 163 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice psychoanalysis in this state. In addition to engaging in such profession or professions, a professional service limited liability company may engage in any other business or activities as to which a limited liability company may be formed under section two hundred one of this chapter. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a professional service limited liability company (i) authorized to practice law may only engage in another profession or business or activities or (ii) which is engaged in a profession or other business or activities other than law may only engage in the practice of law, to the extent not prohibited by any other law of this state or any rule adopted by the appropriate appellate division of the supreme court or the court of appeals.

S 4. Subdivision (b) of section 1207 of the limited liability company law, as separately amended by chapters 420 and 676 of the laws of 2002, is amended to read as follows:

(b) with respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide medical services as such services are defined in article 131 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 131 of the education law to practice medicine in this state. WITH RESPECT TO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FORMED TO PROVIDE NATUROPATHIC SERVICES AS SUCH SERVICES ARE DEFINED IN ARTICLE 132-A OF THE EDUCATION LAW, EACH MEMBER OF SUCH LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY MUST BE LICENSED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 132-A OF THE EDUCATION LAW TO PRACTICE NATUROPATHY IN THIS STATE. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide dental services as such services are defined in article 133 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 133 of the education law to practice dentistry in this state. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide veterinary services as such services are defined in article 135 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 135 of the education law to practice veterinary medicine in this state. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide professional engineering, land surveying, architectural and/or landscape architectural services as such services are defined in article 145, article 147 and article 148 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 145, article 147 and/or article 148 of the education law to practice one or more of such professions in this state. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide licensed clinical social work services as such services are defined in article 154 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company shall be

licensed pursuant to article 154 of the education law to practice licensed clinical social work in this state. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide creative arts therapy services as such services are defined in article 163 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice creative arts therapy in this state. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide marriage and family therapy services as such services are defined in article 163 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice marriage and family therapy in this state. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide mental health counseling services as such services are defined in article 163 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice mental health counseling in this state. With respect to a professional service limited liability company formed to provide psychoanalysis services as such services are defined in article 163 of the education law, each member of such limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice psychoanalysis in this state.

S 5. Subdivision (a) of section 1301 of the limited liability company law, as separately amended by chapters 420 and 676 of the laws of 2002, is amended to read as follows:

(a) "Foreign professional service limited liability company" means a professional service limited liability company, whether or not denominated as such, organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than this state, (i) each of whose members and managers, if any, is a professional authorized by law to render a professional service within this state and who is or has been engaged in the practice of such profession in such professional service limited liability company or a predecessor entity, or will engage in the practice of such profession in the professional service limited liability company within thirty days of the date such professional becomes a member, or each of whose members and managers, if any, is a professional at least one of such members is authorized by law to render a professional service within this state and who is or has been engaged in the practice of such profession in such professional service limited liability company or a predecessor entity, or will engage in the practice of such profession in the professional service limited liability company within thirty days of the date such professional becomes a member, or (ii) authorized by, or holding a license, certificate, registration or permit issued by the licensing authority pursuant to, the education law to render a professional service within this state; except that all members and managers, if any, of a foreign professional service limited liability company that provides health services in this state shall be licensed in this state. WITH RESPECT TO A FOREIGN PROFESSIONAL SERVICE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FORMED TO PROVIDE NATUROPATHIC SERVICES AS SUCH SERVICES ARE DEFINED IN ARTICLE 132-A OF THE EDUCATION LAW, EACH MEMBER OF SUCH LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY MUST BE LICENSED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 132-A OF THE EDUCATION LAW TO PRACTICE NATUROPATHY IN THIS STATE. With respect to a foreign professional service limited liability company which provides veterinary services as such services are defined in article 135 of the education law, each member of such foreign professional service limited liability company shall be licensed pursuant to article 135 of the education law to practice veterinary medicine. With respect to a foreign professional

service limited liability company which provides medical services as such services are defined in article 131 of the education law, each member of such foreign professional service limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 131 of the education law to practice medicine in this state. With respect to a foreign professional service limited liability company which provides dental services as such services are defined in article 133 of the education law, each member of such foreign professional service limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 133 of the education law to practice dentistry in this state. With respect to a foreign professional service limited liability company which provides professional engineering, land surveying, architectural and/or landscape architectural services as such services are defined in article 145, article 147 and article 148 of the education law, each member of such foreign professional service limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 145, article 147 and/or article 148 of the education law to practice one or more of such professions in this state. With respect to a foreign professional service limited liability company which provides licensed clinical social work services as such services are defined in article 154 of the education law, each member of such foreign professional service limited liability company shall be licensed pursuant to article 154 of the education law to practice clinical social work in this state. With respect to a foreign professional service limited liability company which provides creative arts therapy services as such services are defined in article 163 of the education law, each member of such foreign professional service limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice creative arts therapy in this state. With respect to a foreign professional service limited liability company which provides marriage and family therapy services as such services are defined in article 163 of the education law, each member of such foreign professional service limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice marriage and family therapy in this state. With respect to a foreign professional service limited liability company which provides mental health counseling services as such services are defined in article 163 of the education law, each member of such foreign professional service limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice mental health counseling in this state. With respect to a foreign professional service limited liability company which provides psychoanalysis services as such services are defined in article 163 of the education law, each member of such foreign professional service limited liability company must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice psychoanalysis in this state.

S 6. Subdivision (q) of section 121-1500 of the partnership law, as separately amended by chapters 420 and 676 of the laws of 2002, is amended to read as follows:

(q) Each partner of a registered limited liability partnership formed to provide medical services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 131 of the education law to practice medicine in this state and each partner of a registered limited liability partnership formed to provide dental services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 133 of the education law to practice dentistry in this state. EACH PARTNER OF A REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP FORMED TO PROVIDE NATUROPATHIC SERVICES IN THIS STATE MUST BE LICENSED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 132-A OF THE EDUCATION LAW TO PRACTICE NATUROPATHY IN THIS STATE. Each

partner of a registered limited liability partnership formed to provide veterinary services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 135 of the education law to practice veterinary medicine in this state. Each partner of a registered limited liability partnership formed to provide professional engineering, land surveying, architectural and/or landscape architectural services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 145, article 147 and/or article 148 of the education law to practice one or more of such professions in this state. Each partner of a registered limited liability partnership formed to provide licensed clinical social work services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 154 of the education law to practice clinical social work in this state. Each partner of a registered limited liability partnership formed to provide creative arts therapy services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice creative arts therapy in this state. Each partner of a registered limited liability partnership formed to provide marriage and family therapy services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice marriage and family therapy in this state. Each partner of a registered limited liability partnership formed to provide mental health counseling services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice mental health counseling in this state. Each partner of a registered limited liability partnership formed to provide psychoanalysis services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice psychoanalysis in this state.

S 7. Subdivision (q) of section 121-1502 of the partnership law, as amended by chapter 230 of the laws of 2004, is amended to read as follows:

(q) Each partner of a foreign limited liability partnership which provides medical services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 131 of the education law to practice medicine in the state and each partner of a foreign limited liability partnership which provides dental services in the state must be licensed pursuant to article 133 of the education law to practice dentistry in this state. EACH PARTNER OF A FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP WHICH PROVIDES NATUROPATHIC SERVICES IN THIS STATE MUST BE LICENSED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 132-A OF THE EDUCATION LAW TO PRACTICE NATUROPATHY IN THIS STATE. Each partner of a foreign limited liability partnership which provides veterinary service in the state shall be licensed pursuant to article 135 of the education law to practice veterinary medicine in this state. Each partner of a foreign limited liability partnership which provides professional engineering, land surveying, architectural and/or landscape architectural services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 145, article 147 and/or article 148 of the education law to practice one or more of such professions. Each partner of a foreign limited liability partnership which provides licensed clinical social work services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 154 of the education law to practice licensed clinical social work in this state. Each partner of a foreign limited liability partnership which provides creative arts therapy services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice creative arts therapy in this state. Each partner of a foreign limited liability partnership which provides marriage and family therapy services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice marriage and family therapy in this state. Each partner of a foreign limited liability partnership which provides mental health counseling services in this

state must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice mental health counseling in this state. Each partner of a foreign limited liability partnership which provides psychoanalysis services in this state must be licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law to practice psychoanalysis in this state.

S 8. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 413 of the social services law, as amended by section 3 of part D of chapter 501 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The following persons and officials are required to report or cause a report to be made in accordance with this title when they have reasonable cause to suspect that a child coming before them in their professional or official capacity is an abused or maltreated child, or when they have reasonable cause to suspect that a child is an abused or maltreated child where the parent, guardian, custodian or other person legally responsible for such child comes before them in their professional or official capacity and states from personal knowledge facts, conditions or circumstances which, if correct, would render the child an abused or maltreated child: any physician; registered physician assistant; surgeon; medical examiner; coroner; dentist; dental hygienist; osteopath; optometrist; chiropractor; podiatrist; LICENSED NATUROPATH; resident; intern; psychologist; registered nurse; social worker; emergency medical technician; licensed creative arts therapist; licensed marriage and family therapist; licensed mental health counselor; licensed psychoanalyst; hospital personnel engaged in the admission, examination, care or treatment of persons; a Christian Science practitioner; school official, which includes but is not limited to school teacher, school guidance counselor, school psychologist, school social worker, school nurse, school administrator or other school personnel required to hold a teaching or administrative license or certificate; social services worker; director of a children's overnight camp, summer day camp or traveling summer day camp, as such camps are defined in section thirteen hundred ninety-two of the public health law; day care center worker; school-age child care worker; provider of family or group family day care; or any other child care or foster care worker; mental health professional; substance abuse counselor; alcoholism counselor; all persons credentialed by the office of alcoholism and substance abuse services; peace officer; police officer; district attorney or assistant district attorney; investigator employed in the office of a district attorney; or other law enforcement official.

S 9. This act shall take effect on the three hundred sixtieth day after it shall have become a law; provided however, that if section 3 of part D of chapter 501 of the laws of 2012 shall not have taken effect on or before such date then section eight of this act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as section 3 of part D of chapter 501 of the laws of 2012 takes effect; provided further that effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date is authorized and directed to be made and completed by the commissioner of education and the board of regents on or before such effective date.