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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIANS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 455, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "**§455- Prescription privileges.** To qualify for
5 prescription privileges, a naturopathic physician shall fulfill
6 the same education, examination, and training requirements as
7 physicians or osteopathic physicians licensed under chapter 453
8 prior to the prescription, administration, or dispensing of any
9 prescription medication. Licensure for the prescription,
10 administration, or dispensing of any prescription medication
11 shall be issued by the department."

12 SECTION 2. Section 455-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 "**§455-6 Powers and authority of the board.** In addition to
15 any other powers and duties authorized by law, the board may:

16 (1) Adopt and use a seal to be affixed to all official
17 acts of the board;



- 1 (2) Adopt, amend, or repeal rules in accordance with
2 chapter 91 to carry out the purposes of this chapter;
3 provided that all rules shall be approved by the
4 governor and the director of commerce and consumer
5 affairs; and provided further that the rules:
6 (A) May forbid acts or practices deemed by the board
7 to be detrimental to the accomplishment of the
8 purpose of this chapter;
9 (B) Shall establish standards of practice, care, and
10 ethics; and
11 (C) Shall establish the education and training
12 requirements for parenteral therapy and the
13 standards to administer parenteral therapy, and
14 establish examination standards and require the
15 passage of an examination on minor office
16 procedures, which standards and requirements
17 shall take effect after December 31, 2009;
18 (3) Develop standards for licensure;
19 (4) Issue, renew, suspend, and revoke licenses and fine
20 licensees;
21 (5) Investigate and conduct hearings regarding any
22 violation of this chapter and any rules of the board;



- 1 (6) Maintain a record of its proceedings;
- 2 (7) Annually establish and publish a naturopathic
- 3 formulary that has been approved by the board for
- 4 prescription, administration, or dispensing by
- 5 naturopathic physicians; provided that authorization
- 6 to each naturopathic physician for the prescription,
- 7 administration, or dispensing of items on the
- 8 naturopathic formulary shall be issued by the
- 9 department; and
- 10 (8) Do all things necessary to carry out the functions,
- 11 powers, and duties set forth in this chapter."

12 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

13 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

14 INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Naturopathic Medicine; Naturopathic Physicians; Prescription Privileges

Description:

Requires naturopathic practitioners to fulfill the same education, examination, and training requirements as physicians or osteopathic physicians licensed under chapter 453 to qualify for prescription privileges, prior to the prescription, administration, or dispensing of any prescription medication. Requires authorization from the department of commerce and consumer affairs for any naturopathic physician wishing to prescribe, administer, or dispense any item on the naturopathic formulary.

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