

ACT 71

H.B. NO. 2238

A Bill for an Act Relating to Naturopathy.

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

SECTION 1. Section 455-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended as follows:

1. By amending the definition of "natural medicine" to read as follows:
 "Natural medicine" encompasses substances of botanical, mineral, and animal origin [including], homeopathic preparations thereof[.], and substances whose natural state has been improved by any process that does not substantially alter the molecular structure found in nature, including vitamins, minerals, and amino acids; excluding prescription drugs, with the following exceptions: vitamins, minerals, amino acids, and fatty acids."

2. By amending the definition of "naturopathy" to read as follows:
 "Naturopathy" means the practice of [natural];

- (1) Natural medicine, natural therapeutics, and natural procedures, for the purpose of removing toxic conditions from the body and improving the quality, quantity, harmony, balance, and flow of the vital fluids, vital tissues, and vital energy; and [the practice of diagnosing,]
- (2) Diagnosing, treating, and caring for patients using a system of practice that bases its treatment of physiological functions and abnormal conditions on natural laws governing the human body: utilizing physiological, psychological, and mechanical methods, such as air, water, light, sunshine, heat and cold, earth, phytotherapy, physiotherapy, mechano-therapy, naturopathic corrections and manipulation, and natural methods or modalities, together with natural or homeopathic medicines, natural foods, and herbs, and nature's remedies[.] of the type taught in education and training at naturopathic medical colleges. The practice of naturopathy excludes surgery, application of x-rays, and [the] prescribing [or], dispensing [of], or using prescription drugs[.] except as provided for in the definition of natural medicine."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 7, 1994.)