

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 7433

Substituted by the House, on motion of Mr. Aleixo of Taunton, for a Bill further defining the term "physician" to include a chiropractor who performs chiropractor services (House, No. 6776). December 9.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-One.

### AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF CHIROPRACTORS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 3 of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as  
2 most recently amended by chapter 81 of the acts of 1979, is hereby  
3 further amended by inserting after the word "physician", in line 10,  
4 the words: — or a licensed chiropractor.

1 SECTION 2. Said chapter 71 is hereby further amended by  
2 striking out section 54A, as amended by chapter 569 of the acts of  
3 1975, and inserting in place thereof the following section: —

4 *Section 54A.* A physician employed by a school committee, a  
5 chiropractor who has been certified by the board of registration of  
6 chiropractic as having completed a full course in emergency medi-  
7 cal care or its equivalent or a person who has completed a full  
8 course in emergency medical care as provided in section six of  
9 chapter one hundred and eleven C shall be assigned to every  
10 interscholastic football game played by any team representing a  
11 public secondary school in the commonwealth, and the expenses of  
12 such physician, chiropractor or person shall be paid by the school  
13 committee of the city, town or district wherein such football game  
14 is played.

1 SECTION 3. Section 57 of said chapter 71, as most recently  
2 amended by chapter 111 of the acts of 1980, is hereby further  
3 amended by striking out the third sentence and inserting in place  
4 thereof the following sentence: — Tests of sight, hearing and postu-  
5 ral defects shall be performed by teachers, physicians, optome-  
6 trists, nurses or other personnel who are approved by the depart-  
7 ment of public health for the purpose, and the examination of feet  
8 shall be made by the school physicians, podiatrists or chiroprac-  
9 tors, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the depart-  
10 ment; provided, however, that chiropractors may test for postural  
11 defects.

1 SECTION 4. Section 89 of chapter 112 of the General Laws is  
2 hereby amended by striking out the definition of “Chiropractor”,  
3 as appearing in section 2 of chapter 409 of the acts of 1966, and  
4 inserting in place thereof the following definition: —  
5 “Chiropractor or chiropractor physician”, a person who law-  
6 fully practices chiropractic.