

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That a new sub-title and eleven new sections be and the same are hereby added to Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Health", said new sub-title to be known as "Physical Therapy", and said new sections to be known as Sections 531 to 541, inclusive, to follow immediately after Section 530 of said Article, and to read as follows:

PHYSICAL THERAPY.

531. Physical Therapy is defined for the purpose of this sub-title as the treatment of human injuries, diseases, or disabilities by means of the healing properties of exercise, massage, ultra-violet rays, mechanical devices, heat, cold, air, light, water, and electricity, but not by means of Roentgen rays, radium, surgery or drugs.

532. A Physical Therapist is defined for the purpose of this sub-title as one who:

- (a) Treats human diseases, injuries or disabilities by Physical Therapy;
- (b) Treats only patients diagnosed and referred by licensed medical doctors;
- (c) Treats for fees; and
- (d) Meets those requirements regarding experience and training in Physical Therapy as set forth in this sub-title.

533. The Governor is hereby empowered and directed to appoint a State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, to consist of five (5) members, the original five to be selected from a list submitted by the Maryland State Registry of Physical Therapists, or Maryland State Physical Therapy Society, Inc., and subsequent appointments to be selected from lists submitted by the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners. One of the original appointees shall be appointed for a term of one (1) year; one for a term of two (2) years; one for a term of three (3) years; one for a term of four (4) years, and one for a term of five (5) years. Thereafter appointments shall be for a term of five (5) years. In case of any vacancy on said Board the Governor shall appoint a member with the same qualifications of the member whose death, resignation or expiration of term has caused such vacancy. For the transaction of business under this sub-title a quorum of said Board shall be three or more members. Members of said Board shall, out of receipts, be entitled to a per diem not