

upon payment of a fee of one dollar shall be registered. Provided further that any osteopathic physician or physicians, who may have registered previous to the enactment of this amendment without having obtained a license from the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners shall apply for and be granted a license within sixty days from the enactment of this amendment or be debarred from further practice, and be subject to the penalties as provided in Section 477 of this article.] Any citizen of Maryland, having information which causes him to believe that any person is wrongfully and improperly practicing as an osteopath without having obtained a license from the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners as provided for in this subtitle, may apply by petition to the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, or the circuit court [cf] FOR the county [wherein said] IN WHICH THE osteopathic physician is practicing without having obtained a license as required by this subtitle[, which]. THE petitioner shall be under oath and shall state that the petitioner is informed and believes that the person named therein is improperly and wrongfully practicing as an osteopath without having obtained a license from the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners of Maryland, as required by this subtitle, and that said petitioner prays that the name of such person shall be stricken from the registry of osteopathy as kept by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Baltimore City or the circuit court of the county.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That new Section 477 be and it is hereby added to Article 43 - Health, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) to read as follows:

Article 43 - Health

477.

IN THIS SUBTITLE, "OSTEOPATHY" MEANS A COMPLETE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY UTILIZING ALL METHODS OF DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT AND PLACING SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM IN HEALTH AND DISEASE. THE LICENSE PROVIDED FOR IN THIS SUBTITLE SHALL AUTHORIZE THE HOLDER TO PRACTICE BY MANIPULATIONS ONLY.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1977.

Approved May 26, 1977.