(1971 Replacement Volume and 1978 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 43 - Health Section 611A Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1978 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 43 - Health

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- (a) Physical therapy is a health specialty concerned with the prevention of disability and the physical rehabilitation of persons having A CONGENITAL OR ACQUIRED disability [resulting from, or secondary to, injury, or disease].
- (b) (1) The "practice of physical therapy" means the practice, for compensation directly or indirectly paid, of the health specialty and includes:
- (i) Performing and interpreting tests and measurements of neuromuscular, CARDICVASCULAR, PULMONARY, and musculoskeletal functions as an aid to treatment:
- (ii) Planning initial and subsequent treatment programs, on the basis of test findings[, and within the orders of the referring practitioner]; and
- (iii) Administering treatment through the use of therapeutic exercise, NEURODEVELOPMENTAL PROCEDURES, THERAPEUTIC massage, mechanical devices, and therapeutic agents which employ the physical, chemical, and other properties of air, water, electricity, sound, and radiant energy.

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(c) Members of the Board shall be entitled to receive such compensation as it may determine from time to time, not to exceed [\$25] \$50 per day for each day they are engaged in transacting the business of the Board. The members shall receive also their necessary traveling expenses in accordance with the standard travel regulations.

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The Board is empowered to pass upon the qualifications of applicants for licensure as physical therapists and