

(1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, UNLESS AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE UNDER THIS TITLE, A PERSON MAY NOT USE THE WORDS OR TERMS "OSTEOPATH", "OSTEOPATHIST", "OSTEOPATHY", "DOCTOR OF OSTEOLOGY", "DIPLOMATE IN OSTEOLOGY", OR "D.O." WITH THE INTENT TO REPRESENT THAT THE PERSON PRACTICES OSTEOLOGY.

(2) A HOLDER OF A DEGREE OF OSTEOLOGY WHO IS AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE MEDICINE IN THIS STATE MAY USE THE DEGREE OR AN ABBREVIATION FOR THE DEGREE IN CONNECTION WITH THE NAME OF THE HOLDER.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is derived in part from Art. 43, § 479 -- as that section relates to the use of certain names or titles, and revised in the standard language used throughout this article to express a prohibition against false representations of authority to practice a health occupation.

Subsection (b)(1) of this section is derived from those specific elements of present Art. 43, § 479 that are not covered clearly by the general language of subsection (a) of this section.

In subsection (b)(1) of this section, the present reference to practicing osteology under the name chiropractic, neuropathy, mechanotherapy, and naprapathy is deleted as obsolete and, in any event, unnecessary in light of the broader general provisions of this section.

Subsection (b)(2) of this section is new language added to recognize that the State Board of Medical Examiners may authorize the holder of a degree of osteology to practice medicine. See present Art. 43, §§ 123 and 124.

The penalty provisions in present Art. 43, § 479 now appear in § 11-407 of this subtitle.

The General Assembly may wish to consider the addition of subsection (b)(2) of this section to this title. The provision is added to this title to avoid the anomalous situation that occurs if a holder of a degree of doctor of osteology is licensed as a physician and uses the degree in connection with the holder's name but is not licensed under this title and, therefore, is not authorized to use certain terms.

#### 11-403. PRACTICING UNDER A FALSE NAME.

A PERSON MAY NOT PRACTICE OR ATTEMPT TO PRACTICE OSTEOLOGY UNDER A FALSE NAME.