

1 AN ACT concerning the regulation of professions.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Acupuncture Practice Act is amended by
5 adding Section 20.1 and changing Section 50 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 2/20.1 new)

7 Sec. 20.1. Guest acupuncturists. The provisions of this
8 Act do not prohibit an acupuncturist from another State or
9 country, who is not licensed under this Act and who is an
10 invited guest of a professional acupuncture association or
11 scientific acupuncture foundation or an acupuncture training
12 program or continuing education provider that is approved
13 under this Act, from engaging in professional education
14 through lectures, clinics, or demonstrations. The guest
15 acupuncturist may engage in the practice of acupuncture in
16 conjunction with the lectures, clinics, or demonstrations for
17 a maximum of 6 months, but may not open an office, appoint a
18 place to meet patients, receive calls from patients, or
19 otherwise engage in the practice of acupuncture.

20 (225 ILCS 2/50)

21 Sec. 50. Practice prohibited. Unless he or she has been
22 issued, by the Department, a valid, existing license as an
23 acupuncturist under this Act, no person may use the title and
24 designation of "Acupuncturist", "Licensed Acupuncturist",
25 "Certified Acupuncturist", "C.A.", "Act.", "Lic. Act.", or
26 "Lic. Ac." either directly or indirectly, in connection with
27 his or her profession or business. No person licensed under
28 this Act may use the designation "medical", directly or
29 indirectly, in connection with his or her profession or
30 business. Nothing shall prevent a physician from using the

1 designation "Acupuncturist".

2 No person may practice, offer to practice, attempt to
3 practice, or hold himself or herself out to practice as a
4 licensed acupuncturist without being licensed under this Act.

5 This Act does not prohibit a person from administering
6 acupuncture treatment as part of his or her educational
7 training when he or she:

8 (1) is engaged in a State-approved course in
9 acupuncture, as provided in this Act; or

10 (2) is a graduate of a school of acupuncture and
11 participating in a postgraduate review course that does not
12 exceed 6 months in duration.

13 (Source: P.A. 89-706, eff. 1-31-97; 90-61, eff. 7-3-97.)

14 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
15 becoming law.