

# HOUSE BILL No. 6148

June 7, 2006, Introduced by Rep. Clack and referred to the Committee on Health Policy.

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled  
"Public health code,"  
by amending section 17511 (MCL 333.17511) and by adding section  
17526.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 17511. (1) A person shall not engage in the practice of  
2 osteopathic medicine and surgery or practice as a physician's  
3 assistant unless licensed or otherwise authorized by this article.

4           (2) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, THE  
5 FOLLOWING WORDS, TITLES, OR LETTERS OR A COMBINATION THEREOF, WITH  
6 OR WITHOUT QUALIFYING WORDS OR PHRASES, ARE RESTRICTED IN USE ONLY  
7 TO THOSE PERSONS AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS PART TO USE THE TERMS AND IN  
8 A WAY PRESCRIBED IN THIS PART: "OSTEOPATH", "OSTEOPATHY",

1 "OSTEOPATHIC PRACTITIONER", "DOCTOR OF OSTEOPATHY", "DIPLOMATE IN  
2 OSTEOPATHY", "D.O.", "PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT", AND "P.A.".   
3 NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 16261, A PERSON WHO WAS SPECIALLY TRAINED  
4 AT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THIS STATE TO ASSIST A  
5 PHYSICIAN IN THE FIELD OF ORTHOPEDICS AND, UPON COMPLETION OF  
6 TRAINING, RECEIVED A 2-YEAR ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREE AS AN  
7 ORTHOPEDIC PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1977 MAY USE THE  
8 TITLE "ORTHOPEDIC PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT" WHETHER OR NOT THE  
9 INDIVIDUAL IS LICENSED UNDER THIS PART.

10 SEC. 17526. THE TERMS OF OFFICE OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE  
11 BOARD AND TASK FORCE CREATED UNDER THIS PART, EXCEPT THOSE  
12 APPOINTED TO FILL VACANCIES, EXPIRE 4 YEARS AFTER APPOINTMENT ON  
13 DECEMBER 31 OF THE YEAR IN WHICH THE TERM EXPIRES.

14 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect  
15 unless Senate Bill No.\_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 6147(request no.  
16 05150'05) of the 93rd Legislature is enacted into law.