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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 331, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to chiropractors, with penalty provisions.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 331, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 331.015, to read as follows:

**331.015. 1. No person shall perform spinal manipulation or spinal adjustment of the vertebral column unless such person:**

- (1) Has the legal authority to differentially diagnose; and**
- (2) Has received a minimum of four hundred hours of classroom instruction in spinal manipulation or spinal adjustment; and**
- (3) Has received a minimum of eight hundred hours of supervised clinical training at a facility where spinal manipulation or spinal adjustment is a primary method of treatment.**

**For purposes of this section, the terms "spinal manipulation" and "spinal adjustment" means moving a joint beyond its passive range of motion limit by means of a sudden dynamic thrust or impulse, which is usually accompanied by an audible sound.**

**2. Any person who violates the provisions of this section is guilty of the unlawful practice of chiropractic and shall be subject to the penalties provided for in section 331.080 or disciplinary action as provided by law.**

**3. The provisions of this section shall not restrict the scope of practice of**

**osteopathic or medical physicians licensed pursuant to chapter 334, RSMo, or  
chiropractic physicians licensed pursuant to this chapter.**

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