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93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR CLEMENS.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 324.484, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to exemption of dentists from acupuncture licensing requirements.

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

Section A. Section 324.484, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 324.484, to read as follows:

324.484. 1. Nothing in sections 324.475 to 324.499 shall be construed to apply to physicians and surgeons licensed pursuant to sections 334.010 to 334.265, RSMo, **dentists licensed pursuant to chapter 332, RSMo**, or chiropractic physicians licensed pursuant to chapter 331, RSMo; except that, if such physician or surgeon, **dentist**, or chiropractic physician, with or without a current certification in meridian therapy, uses the title, licensed acupuncturist, then the provisions of sections 324.475 to 324.499 shall apply.

2. No license to practice acupuncture shall be required for any person who is an auricular detox technician, provided that such person performs only auricular detox treatments as defined in section 324.475, under the supervision of a licensed acupuncturist and in accordance with regulations promulgated pursuant to sections 324.475 to 324.499. An auricular detox technician may not insert acupuncture needles in any other points of the ear or body or use the title, licensed acupuncturist.

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