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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would relate to the licensing of
9 prosthodontists and orthotists. The bill would define
10 an orthotic fitter, would specify that an orthotic
11 supplier provides non-custom orthoses, and would
12 further specify that the licensing law applies to a
13 licensed therapeutic shoe fitter instead of using
14 the term registered therapeutic shoe fitter. The
15 bill would also conform the abbreviated licensure
16 titles in the law.

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18 A BILL

19 TO BE ENTITLED

20 AN ACT

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22 To amend Sections 34-25A-3, 34-25A-4, 34-25A-5,
23 34-25A-7, and 34-25A-11 of the Code of Alabama 1975, relating
24 to the State Board of Prosthodontists and Orthotists; to further
25 provide for definitions; to specify that an orthotic supplier
26 provides non-custom orthoses; to specify that the law applies

1 to licensed therapeutic shoe fitters; and to conform the
2 abbreviated licensure titles in the law.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

4 Section 1. This act is named and shall be known as
5 the "Colonel Mike Sullivan Act."

6 Section 2. Sections 34-25A-3, 34-25A-4, 34-25A-5,
7 34-25A-7, and 34-25A-11 of the Code of Alabama 1975, are
8 amended to read as follows:

9 "§34-25A-3.

10 "As used in this chapter, the following terms shall
11 have the following meanings:

12 "(1) ACCREDITED FACILITY. A facility where
13 prosthetic, orthotic, prosthetic and orthotic, or pedorthic
14 care is provided to patients needing such care and has met the
15 requirements of the board for such designation. The board
16 shall require that all accredited facilities meet the
17 requirements of a national certifying board, recognized by the
18 state board in prosthetics, orthotics, and pedorthics
19 accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies
20 (NCCA) in the discipline or disciplines for which the
21 application is made and meet any other requirements of the
22 board. The requirements may include custom and non-custom
23 items the board may determine are necessary to perform quality
24 care and are typical in the course of business.

25 "(2) ACCREDITED PEDORTHIC FACILITY. A facility where
26 pedorthic care may be provided that has met the requirements
27 of the board for such designation. An accredited pedorthic

1 facility shall contain a site that includes at least the
2 following equipment: Sanding/grinding equipment suitable for
3 use, an oven for plastics and foams used in the fabrication of
4 pedorthic devices, and a vacuum device for forming pedorthic
5 devices.

6 "(3) AUTHORIZED HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER. A
7 physician licensed to practice medicine or a person licensed
8 or authorized to practice podiatry pursuant to Article 6
9 (commencing with Section 34-24-230) of Chapter 24.

10 "(4) BOARD. The Alabama State Board of Prosthetists
11 and Orthotists.

12 "(5) CHIROPRACTOR. A person licensed and acting
13 within the definition as found in Section 34-24-120.

14 "(6) MASTECTOMY FITTER. A health care professional
15 who is specifically educated and trained in the provision of
16 breast prostheses and post-mastectomy services, including
17 patient assessment, formulation of a treatment plan,
18 implementation of the treatment plan, and follow-up and
19 practice management, which is consistent with nationally
20 recognized programs which are accredited by the National
21 Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) .

22 "(7) OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST/OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST
23 ASSISTANT/OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST AIDE. A person who is
24 licensed as an occupational therapist, or occupational
25 therapist assistant, or occupational therapist aide as defined
26 in Section 34-39-3.

1 "(8) ORTHOSIS. A custom-fabricated, definitive brace
2 or support that is designed for long-term use.

3 Custom-fabricated orthoses, also known as custom-made
4 orthoses, are devices designed and made from raw materials or
5 commercially available components for a specific patient and
6 require the generation of an image, form, or mold that
7 replicates the patient's body or body segment and involves the
8 rectification of dimensions, contours, and volumes to achieve
9 proper fit, comfort, and function for that specific patient.

10 Except for the treatment of scoliosis, orthosis does not
11 include prefabricated or direct-formed orthotic devices, as
12 defined in this subdivision and does not include any of the
13 following items: Commercially available knee orthoses used
14 following injury or surgery; upper extremity adaptive
15 equipment; finger splints; leather wrist gauntlets; face masks
16 used following burns; wheelchair seating that is an integral
17 part of the wheelchair and not worn by the patient independent
18 of the wheelchair; fabric or elastic supports; corsets; arch
19 supports, also known as non-custom or prefabricated orthotics;
20 low-temperature formed plastic splints; trusses; elastic hose;
21 canes; crutches; cervical collars; dental appliances, and
22 other similar devices as determined by the board, such as
23 those commonly carried in stock by a pharmacy, hospital,
24 rehabilitation facility, department store, corset shop, or
25 surgical supply facility. Prefabricated orthoses, also known
26 as custom-fitted or off-the-shelf, are devices that are
27 manufactured as commercially available items for no particular

1 patient, but those devices that can be formed or shaped by a
2 person licensed under this chapter are considered custom made.
3 Direct-formed orthoses are devices formed or shaped during the
4 molding process directly on the patient's body or body
5 segment.

6 "(9) ORTHOTIC FITTER. A health care practitioner,
7 licensed with the board, who is specifically educated and
8 trained in the provision of certain orthoses, including
9 patient assessment, formulation of a treatment plan,
10 follow-up, and practice management, consistent with nationally
11 recognized programs accredited by the National Commission for
12 Certifying Agencies (NCCA).

13 "(9) (10) ORTHOTICS. The science and practice of
14 evaluating, measuring, designing, fabricating, assembling,
15 fitting, adjusting, or servicing, as well as providing the
16 initial training necessary to accomplish the fitting of, an
17 orthosis for the support, correction, or alleviation of
18 neuromuscular or musculoskeletal dysfunction, disease, injury,
19 or deformity. The practice of orthotics encompasses
20 evaluations and consultation and continuing care, with basic
21 observational gait and posture analysis. Orthotists assess the
22 need for and measure, design, manufacture, and fit orthoses to
23 maximize function and provide not only the support but the
24 alignment necessary to either prevent or correct deformity or
25 to improve the safety and efficiency of mobility or
26 locomotion, or both. Orthotic practice includes periodic
27 evaluation and consultation to assess its effect on the

1 patient's tissue and assure proper fit and function of the
2 orthotic device.

3 "(10) (11) ORTHOTIC SUPPLIER. A person licensed with
4 the board who is employed by or has a contractual relationship
5 with a manufacturer of orthoses or orthosis components and who
6 has complied with the ~~registration~~ requirements of the board.

7 "(11) (12) ORTHOTIST. A person licensed to practice
8 orthotics under this chapter.

9 "(12) (13) ORTHOTIST ASSISTANT. A person licensed
10 under terms to be defined by the board and employed by the
11 same agency as his or her licensed referring evaluator.

12 "(13) (14) PEDORTHIC DEVICE. Custom therapeutic
13 shoes, diabetic shoes if prescribed by an authorized health
14 care practitioner for the treatment of partial or complete
15 amputation of the foot, foot ulceration, pre-ulcerative
16 callous, or foot deformity, shoe modifications made for
17 therapeutic purposes, partial foot prostheses, and foot
18 orthoses and orthoses for use from the knee and below used for
19 the treatment or alleviation, or both, of a condition that has
20 its origin in the foot. A pedorthic device, custom or
21 non-custom, addresses a medical condition of the foot below
22 the ankle and is prescribed by an authorized health care
23 practitioner.

24 "(14) (15) PEDORTHICS. The design, manufacture,
25 modification, or fit of custom shoes, orthoses, and pedorthic
26 devices to prevent or alleviate foot problems caused by
27 disease, congenital defect, overuse, or injury.

1 "(15) (16) PEDORTHIST. A person who is licensed to
2 practice pedorthics under this chapter.

3 "(16) (17) PHYSICAL THERAPIST/PHYSICAL THERAPIST
4 ASSISTANT/PHYSICAL THERAPIST TECHNICIAN. A person who is
5 licensed to practice as defined in Section 34-24-191.

6 "(17) (18) PHYSICIAN. A person who is a doctor of
7 medicine or a doctor of osteopathy licensed to practice.

8 "(18) (19) PODIATRIST. A person licensed or
9 authorized to practice podiatry pursuant to Article 6 of
10 Chapter 24.

11 "(19) (20) PROSTHESIS. A definitive artificial limb
12 that is alignable or articulated or, in lower extremity
13 applications, capable of bearing weight. Prosthesis means an
14 artificial medical device that is not surgically implanted and
15 that is used to replace a missing limb, appendage, or other
16 external human body part and that includes an artificial limb,
17 hand, or foot. The term does not include artificial eyes,
18 ears, dental appliances, ostomy products, devices such as
19 artificial breasts or eyelashes, wigs, or other devices as
20 determined by the board that do not have a significant impact
21 on the musculoskeletal functions of the body.

22 "(20) (21) PROSTHETICS. The science and practice of
23 evaluating, measuring, designing, fabricating, assembling,
24 fitting, aligning, adjusting, or servicing, as well as
25 providing the initial education necessary to accomplish the
26 wearing and use of a prosthesis, through the replacement of
27 external parts of a human body lost due to amputation or

1 congenital deformities or absences. The practice of
2 prosthetics also includes the generation of an image, form, or
3 mold that replicates the patient's body or body segment and
4 that requires rectification of dimensions, contours, and
5 volumes for use in the design and fabrication of a socket to
6 accept a residual limb to create an artificial appendage that
7 is designed either to support body weight or to improve or
8 restore function or cosmesis, or both. Involved in the
9 practice of prosthetics is observational gait analysis and
10 clinical assessment of the requirements necessary to refine
11 and mechanically fix the relative position of various parts of
12 the prosthesis to maximize the function, stability, and safety
13 of the patient. The practice of prosthetics includes
14 evaluation, consultation, and providing continuing patient
15 care in order to assess the effect of the prosthetic device on
16 the patient's tissues and to assure proper fit and function of
17 the prosthetic device.

18 "(21) (22) PROSTHETIST. A person who is licensed to
19 practice prosthetics under this chapter.

20 "(22) (23) PROSTHETIST ASSISTANT. A person licensed
21 under terms to be defined by the board and employed by the
22 same agency as his or her licensed referring evaluator.

23 "(23) (24) PROSTHETIST/ORTHOTIST. A person licensed
24 to practice prosthetics and orthotics under this chapter.

25 "(24) (25) THERAPEUTIC SHOE FITTER. A health care
26 professional who is licensed by the board and who is
27 specifically educated and trained to provide non-custom

1 therapeutic shoes and non-custom multi-density inserts. This
2 includes patient assessment, formulation of a plan,
3 implementation of the treatment plan, follow-up, and practice
4 management.

5 "§34-25A-4.

6 "(a) A licensed prosthetist, licensed orthotist, or
7 licensed prosthetist/orthotist may provide services utilizing
8 new prostheses or orthoses for which he or she is licensed and
9 only under a written order from an authorized health care
10 practitioner. A consultation with and periodic review by an
11 authorized health care practitioner is not required for the
12 evaluation, repair, adjusting, or servicing of a prosthesis by
13 a licensed prosthetist, or licensed prosthetist/orthotist and
14 for the evaluation, repair, adjusting, or servicing of an
15 orthosis by a licensed orthotist, or licensed
16 prosthetist/orthotist; nor is an order from an authorized
17 health care practitioner required for maintenance or
18 replacement of an orthosis or prosthesis to the level of its
19 original prescription for an indefinite period of time if the
20 original order remains appropriate for the patient's medical
21 needs.

22 "(b) Prosthetists and orthotists must refer persons
23 receiving service to authorized health care practitioners if
24 they have reasonable cause to believe symptoms or conditions
25 are present that require services beyond the scope of their
26 practice or for which the prescribed prosthetic or orthotic
27 service is contraindicated.

"(c) An orthotic supplier may engage in one or more of the following: Evaluating, measuring, designing, fabricating, assembling, fitting, adjusting, servicing, repairing, replacing, or delivering non-custom orthoses. An orthotic supplier may provide non-custom orthoses in hospitals, rehabilitation facilities, physician's offices, physician's clinics, or other sites as required. An orthotic supplier shall provide non-custom orthoses based on a written prescription from an authorized health care practitioner and under the supervision of such authorized health care practitioner.

"(d) No person licensed under this chapter shall provide services to a patient without being in the physical presence of the patient.

"§34-25A-5.

"(a) Except as provided in subsection (h) or (i), no person shall administer prosthetic, orthotic, or pedorthic care in this state unless licensed or registered to do so in accordance with this chapter. The board shall issue approved forms for application prior to January 1, 2003.

"(b) In order to obtain a license as a prosthetist, orthotist, or prosthetist/orthotist in this state, an applicant shall be a citizen of the United States or, if not a citizen of the United States, a person who is legally present in the United States with appropriate documentation from the federal government, and shall do the following:

1 "(1) File a written application on forms to be
2 developed and approved by the board. The applicant shall meet
3 at least one of the following requirements after a one-year
4 grandfather period:

5 "a. The applicant shall possess a baccalaureate
6 degree in orthotics and prosthetics from a college or
7 university accredited by a regional accrediting agency and
8 complete 1,900 hours per discipline sought of directed
9 employment under the supervision of a certified/licensed
10 prosthетist, a certified/licensed orthotist or a
11 certified/licensed prosthетist/orthotist in an accredited
12 facility, and be certified as a prosthетist, orthotist, or
13 prosthетist/orthotist by a nationally recognized certifying
14 board in orthotics and prosthetics accredited by the National
15 Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA), or such other
16 national agency as approved by the board, in the discipline or
17 disciplines for which the application is made.

18 "b. The applicant shall possess a baccalaureate
19 degree from a regionally accredited college or university and
20 have successfully completed a post-baccalaureate certificate
21 course approved by the board and completed 1,900 hours of
22 directed employment per discipline in which license is sought
23 under the supervision of a certified/licensed prosthетist, a
24 certified/licensed orthotist, or a certified/licensed
25 prosthетist/orthotist in an accredited facility, and be
26 certified by a nationally recognized certifying board in
27 prosthetics or orthotics accredited by the National Commission

1 for Certifying Agencies (NCCA), or such other national agency
2 as approved by the board, in the discipline or disciplines for
3 which application is made.

4 "c. The applicant shall possess an associate's
5 degree from a regionally accredited college or university,
6 junior college, or community college and have successfully
7 completed postsecondary coursework in anatomy, physiology,
8 physics, biology, chemistry, algebra, and calculus and have
9 worked under the supervision of a certified/licensed
10 prosthетist, a certified/licensed orthotist, or a
11 certified/licensed prosthетist/orthotist for not less than
12 four consecutive years of the past six years in an accredited
13 facility, and be certified by a nationally recognized
14 certifying board in prosthetics or orthotics accredited by the
15 National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA), or such
16 other national agency as may be approved by the board.

17 "d. The applicant shall have successfully completed
18 postsecondary coursework in anatomy, physiology, physics,
19 biology, chemistry, algebra, and calculus and have worked
20 under the supervision of a certified/licensed prosthетist, a
21 certified/licensed orthotist, or a certified/licensed
22 prosthетist/orthotist for not less than eight years of the
23 last 12 years and be certified as a prosthетist, orthotist, or
24 prosthетist/orthotist by a nationally recognized board
25 accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies
26 (NCCA), or such national agency as may be approved by the

1 board, in the discipline or disciplines for which application
2 is made.

3 "(2) Any applicant after the first year following
4 the board's issuance of applications shall meet the
5 requirements ~~of paragraph a., b., or d.~~ of subdivision (1) of
6 subsection (b) prior to receiving a license as a prosthetist,
7 an orthotist, or a prosthetist/orthotist.

8 "(c) In order to obtain a license as a pedorthist in
9 this state, an applicant shall be a citizen of the United
10 States or, if not a citizen of the United States, a person who
11 is legally present in the United States with appropriate
12 documentation from the federal government, and shall file a
13 written application on forms to be developed and approved by
14 the board. Applicants shall be in good standing as a certified
15 pedorthist with an entity accredited by the National
16 Commission for Certifying Agencies.

17 "(d) In order to obtain ~~registration a license~~ as an
18 orthotic supplier, an applicant shall be a citizen of the
19 United States or, if not a citizen of the United States, a
20 person who is legally present in the United States with
21 appropriate documentation from the federal government, and
22 shall do the following:

23 "(1) File a written application on forms to be
24 developed and approved by the board. Such forms shall require
25 personal information such as full name, current address,
26 educational status and history, and work history for the last
27 five years of employment.

1 "(2) The application forms shall be accompanied,
2 when submitted, by attestation of employment by or contractual
3 relationship with a manufacturer of orthoses or orthosis
4 components whether registered with the United States Food and
5 Drug Administration or not. Attestation shall be by notarized
6 statement signed by the president, chief operating officer, or
7 other designated corporate official of the employing company.

8 "(e) The board shall grant a license without an
9 examination for those qualified applicants who apply within
10 one year of the issuance of application forms by the board.
11 For purposes of this subsection, qualified applicants are
12 those who possess current credentials as a Certified
13 Prosthetist, Certified Orthotist, or Certified
14 Prosthetist/Orthotist issued by the American Board for
15 Certification in Orthotics and Prosthetics, Incorporated, or
16 the Board for Orthotist/Prosthetist Certification as a
17 prosthетist, orthotist, or prosthetist/orthotist.

18 "(f) The board may issue a 12-month temporary
19 license as a prosthetist, an orthotist, a pedorthist, or a
20 prosthetist/orthotist to persons who have applied for
21 licensure and are awaiting examination. The temporary license
22 is renewable once for a six-month period if the applicant
23 fails to pass the examination at the first sitting.

24 "(g) The board shall grant a license as a
25 prosthetist, an orthotist, a prosthetist/orthotist, or
26 pedorthist to an applicant in possession of a current license
27 as a prosthetist, orthotist, prosthetist/orthotist, or

1 pedorthist in another state or territory of the United States
2 without examination if the board determines that the
3 credentialing standards set by the other state or territory
4 are substantially equivalent to the standards set by the board
5 for this state.

6 "(h) No person may represent himself or herself as a
7 licensed prosthетist, licensed orthotist, licensed
8 prosthетist/orthotist, or licensed pedorthist, use a title or
9 description of services, or engage in the practice of
10 prosthetics, orthotics, or pedorthics without applying for
11 licensure, meeting the required qualifications, and being
12 licensed by the board unless otherwise exempted by this
13 chapter. A person not licensed with the board may not
14 represent himself or herself as being so licensed and may not
15 use, in connection with his or her name, the words licensed
16 orthotist, orthotist, licensed prosthетist, prosthетist,
17 licensed prosthетist/orthotist, prosthетist/orthotist,
18 licensed pedorthist, pedorthist, licensed orthotic fitter,
19 orthotic fitter, licensed mastectomy fitter, mastectomy
20 fitter, licensed therapeutic shoe fitter, therapeutic shoe
21 fitter, or letters "L.O.," "L.P.," "L.P.O.," "L.O.A.," "LPed,"
22 "L.P.A.," "L.P.O.A.," "L.M.F.," "L.O.F.," "L.T.S.F." or other
23 letters, words, signs, numbers, or insignia indicating or
24 implying that he or she is either a licensed prosthетist, a
25 licensed orthotist, a licensed prosthетist/orthotist, a
26 licensed pedorthist, a licensed mastectomy fitter, a licensed
27 therapeutic shoe fitter, or a licensed orthotic fitter in the

1 State of Alabama without first having a valid license. The
2 license shall be posted in a conspicuous location at the
3 person's work site.

4 "(i) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to
5 prohibit or restrict the following:

6 "(1) The practice of prosthetics, orthotics, or
7 pedorthics by individuals authorized and performing services
8 within their authorized scopes of practice as adopted by the
9 State of Alabama Legislature including, but not limited to,
10 authorized health care practitioners, doctors of podiatry,
11 chiropractors, physical therapists, and occupational
12 therapists licensed in this state.

13 "(2) The practice of prosthetics, orthotics, or
14 pedorthics by an individual employed by, or in the service of
15 the government of the United States of America while engaged
16 in the performance of duties prescribed by the laws of the
17 United States of America.

18 "(3) The practice of prosthetics, orthotics, or
19 pedorthics by any person not licensed as a prosthetist,
20 orthotist, prosthetist/orthotist, orthotic fitter, therapeutic
21 shoe fitter, or pedorthist in accordance with this chapter who
22 is employed in a diagnostic laboratory, hospital,
23 rehabilitation facility, or authorized health care
24 practitioner's office or as a medical lab technician or
25 technologist whose function is to administer treatment or
26 perform diagnostic procedures confined to that laboratory or

1 office under the direction of an authorized health care
2 practitioner.

3 "(4) The practice of prosthetics, orthotics, or
4 pedorthics by a person who is a regular or full-time student
5 in a prosthetic or orthotic educational program approved by
6 the board, and whose designated status is student or trainee.

7 "(5) A person fulfilling the supervised residency or
8 internship experience requirements described in this chapter.

9 "(6) A person who meets the qualifications listed in
10 paragraphs ~~a, b, c, and d~~ of subdivision (1) of subsection (b)
11 from performing prosthetic, orthotic, or pedorthic services in
12 this state, provided the services are not performed for more
13 than 60 days per 12-month period, after notification to the
14 board.

15 "(7) The practice of pharmacy by an individual
16 subject to Chapter 23 of this title.

17 "(8) Assistance to a physician or a person employed
18 in a diagnostic laboratory, hospital, rehabilitation facility,
19 or authorized health care practitioner's office or as a
20 medical lab technician or technologist whose function is to
21 administer treatment or perform diagnostic procedures confined
22 to that laboratory, hospital, rehabilitation facility, or
23 authorized healthcare practitioner's office under the
24 direction of an authorized health care practitioner by a
25 representative, employee, or agent of a manufacturer or
26 supplier of orthoses, orthosis components, or pedorthic

1 devices in the provision, fitting, wearing, or use by a
2 patient of any type of orthotic or pedorthic device.

3 "§34-25A-7.

4 "The board shall perform all the following duties:

5 "(1) Establish and publish continuing education
6 requirements for persons licensed by the board such that a
7 licensed orthotist or a licensed prosthetist or a licensed
8 pedorthist is required to complete a minimum of hours of
9 continuing education and a licensed prosthetist/orthotist is
10 required to complete a minimum of hours of continuing
11 education in each year of a license renewal period. The
12 minimum hours provided in this subdivision shall be
13 established by a national recognized certifying board
14 accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies
15 (NCCA), or such other national agency as approved by the
16 board.

17 "(2) Examine for, approve, deny, revoke, suspend,
18 reinstate, and renew licensure accreditation or registration
19 of duly qualified applicants and develop, promulgate, and
20 establish fines, penalties, and requirements for reinstatement
21 of licensure, accreditation, or registration.

22 "(3) Receive applications, issue licenses,
23 accreditations, or registrations to applicants who have met
24 the requirements for licensure, accreditation, or
25 registration, and deny licenses, accreditations, or
26 registrations to applicants who do not meet the minimum
27 qualifications.

1 "(4) Hire administrative, clerical, investigative,
2 and other staff as needed to implement this chapter and hire
3 individuals licensed under this chapter to serve as examiners
4 for any practical examinations required by the board either
5 within the state classified service or not within it.

6 "(5) Promulgate and publish rules and regulations in
7 accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to administer
8 this chapter. Any rule or regulation defining the scope of
9 practice or permissible activities of a licensed orthotist,
10 licensed prosthetist, or a licensed prosthetist/orthotist or a
11 registered orthotic supplier shall be published jointly with
12 the State Board of Medical Examiners.

13 "(6) Develop and promulgate requirements and
14 establish fees for the licensure of mastectomy fitters,
15 orthotic fitters, therapeutic shoe fitters, orthotic
16 assistants, prosthetic assistants, or prosthetic/orthotic
17 assistants. Such licenses shall be regulated and issued by the
18 board.

19 "(7) Prepare and administer, or approve the
20 preparation and administration of, examinations for applicants
21 for licensure.

22 "§34-25A-11.

23 "(a) The board shall issue an orthotic, prosthetic,
24 or prosthetic/orthotic license or an orthotic supplier
25 registration license or any other license authorized by the
26 board to any person who meets the qualifications required by

1 this chapter and who pays the respective fees fixed by the
2 board.

3 "(b) Any person who is issued a license as an
4 orthotic, prosthetic, or prosthetic/orthotic practitioner or
5 orthotic assistant, prosthetic assistant, or
6 prosthetic/orthotic assistant under this chapter may use the
7 words licensed orthotist, licensed prosthetist, licensed
8 prosthetist/orthotist, licensed orthotist assistant, licensed
9 prosthetist assistant, or licensed prosthetist/orthotist
10 assistant, or the letters "L.O.," "L.P.," "L.P.O.," "L.O.A.,"
11 "L.Ped.," "L.P.A.," or "L.P.O.A.," "L.M.F.," "L.O.F.,"
12 "C.M.F.," "L.C.M.F.," or "L.T.S.F." in connection with his or
13 her name to denote his or her licensure. Any person issued
14 ~~registration a license~~ as an orthotic supplier under this
15 chapter may use the words ~~registered licensed~~ orthotic
16 supplier or the letters "~~R.O.S.~~" "L.O.S." in connection with
17 his or her name to denote his or her ~~registration license~~.

18 "(c) A license ~~or registration~~ issued under this
19 chapter shall be subject to annual or semiannual renewal as
20 prescribed by rule or regulation duly promulgated and
21 published by the board.

22 "(d) If the board determines that another ancillary
23 classification of license is needed in order to carry out the
24 purposes of this chapter, the board may by rule establish an
25 additional license classification and set a reasonable fee for
26 the issuance of the license."

1 Section 3. This act shall become effective on the
2 first day of the third month following its passage and
3 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.