HOUSE BILL NO. 341

INTRODUCED BY BRADLEY, JACOBSON, J. BROWN, RUSSELL, WHALEN, STRIZICH, SVRCEK

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JANUARY 22, 1991	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & AGING.
JANUARY 23, 1991	FIRST READING.
FEBRUARY 4, 1991	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
FEBRUARY 5, 1991	PRINTING REPORT.
FEBRUARY 6, 1991	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
FEBRUARY 7, 1991	ENGROSSING REPORT.
FEBRUARY 8, 1991	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 94; NOES, 0.
	TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.
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FEBRUARY 9, 1991	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE, & SAFETY.
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MARCH 14, 1991	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.
MARCH 16, 1991	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.
MARCH 18, 1991	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 49; NOES, 0.
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- 22 (3) Anyone failing to pass the first or second required
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18	37-11-102, ANB-37-11-384, MCA."
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20	STATEMENT OF INTENT
21	A statement of intent is required for this bill because
22	[section 3] requires the board of physical therapy examiners
23	to adopt rules to govern the process of application of
24	topical medications by licensed physical therapists. It is

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- be adopted after consultation with the board of medical examiners and the board of pharmacy;
- (2) be in the form of written protocols that include:
- (a) a description of the topical medication;
- (b) a description of its actions, indications, and contraindications; and
- (c) the proper procedure and technique for the application and administration of the medication; and
- 9 (3) apply only to topical medications for which a 0 prescription is required under state or federal law.
 - BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
- Section 1. Section 37-11-101, MCA, is amended to read:
- "37-11-101. Definitions. Unless the context requires otherwise, in this chapter the following definitions apply:
- 16 (1) "Physical therapy" means the evaluation, treatment,
- 17 and instruction of human beings to detect, assess, prevent,
- 18 correct, alleviate, and limit physical disability, bodily
- 19 malfunction and pain, injury, and any bodily or mental
- 20 conditions by the use of therapeutic exercise, prescribed
- 21 topical medications, and rehabilitative procedures for the
- 22 purpose of preventing, correcting, or alleviating a physical
- 23 or mental disability.
 - (2) "Physical therapist" or "physiotherapist" means a
- 25 person who practices physical therapy.

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- (3) "Physical therapy student" or "physical therapy intern" means an individual enrolled in an accredited physical therapy curriculum and who, as part of his professional, educational, and clinical training, is practicing in a physical therapy setting under the direction, guidance, and observation of a licensed physical therapist.
- person who is a graduate of an accredited curriculum approved by the board and who assists a physical therapist in the practice of physical therapy and whose activities require an understanding of physical therapy.
- (5) "Physical therapy practitioner", "physical therapy specialist", "physiotherapy practitioner", or "manual therapists" are equivalent terms, and any derivation of the above or any letters implying the above are equivalent terms; any reference to any one of them in this chapter includes the others but does not include certified corrective therapists or massage therapists.
- (6) "Physical therapy aide" means a person who aids in the practice of physical therapy and whose activities require on-the-job training and supervision by a licensed physical therapist who must be available for periodic checks during any procedure or treatment involving a patient.
- (7) "Board" means the board of physical therapy

examiners provided for in 2-15-1858.

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- 2 (8) "Department" means the department of commerce
 3 provided for in Title 2, chapter 15, part 18.
- 4 (9) "Hearing" means the adjudicative proceeding
 5 concerning the issuance, denial, suspension, or revocation
 6 of a license, after which the appropriate action toward an
 7 applicant or licensee is to be determined by the board.
- 8 (10) "Topical medications" means medications applied
 9 locally to the skin and includes only medications listed in
 10 [section 2(2)] for which a prescription is required under
 11 state or federal law."
- NEW SECTION. Section 2. Application and administration of topical medications -- prescription, purchasing, and recordkeeping requirements. (1) A licensed physical therapist may apply or administer topical medications by:
- 16 (a) direct application;
- 17 (b) iontophoresis, a process whereby topical 18 medications are applied through the use of electricity; or
- 19 (c) phonophoresis, a process whereby topical 20 medications are applied through the use of ultrasound.
- 21 (2) A licensed physical therapist may apply or 22 administer the following topical medications:
- 23 (a) bactericidal agents;
- 24 (b) debriding agents;
- 25 (c) anesthetic agents;

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(d) anti-inflammatory agents;

- (e) antispasmodic agents; and
- (f) adrenocortico-steroids.
- (3) Topical medications applied or administered by a physical therapist must be prescribed on a specific or standing basis by a licensed medical practitioner authorized to order or prescribe topical medications and must be purchased from a pharmacy certified under 37-7-321. Topical medications dispensed under this section must comply with packaging and labeling guidelines developed by the board of pharmacists under Title 37, chapter 7.
- (4) Appropriate recordkeeping is required of a physical therapist who applies or administers topical medications as authorized in this section.
- NEW SECTION. Section 3. Board adoption of protocols. The board, in consultation with the board of medical examiners and the board of pharmacy, shall by rule adopt written protocols for each class of topical medication listed in [section 2(2)] for which a prescription is required under state or federal law. Protocols must include a description of each topical medication and its actions, indications, and contraindications, as well as the proper procedure and technique for the application or administration of the medication.
 - Section 4. Section 37-11-102, MCA, is amended to read:

1	"37-11-102. Exemptions. This chapter shall may not b	oe
2	construed to limit or regulate any other business o	οt
3	profession or any services rendered or performed	i n
4	connection therewith with another business or profession	<u>n</u> ,
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Section-5:--Section-37-11-3047-MCAy-is-amended-to-read:

"37-11-304:--Application-for--examination------fee:---(1)

Unices--entitled--to-a-license-under-37-11-307;-a-person-who

desires-to-be-licensed-as-a-physical-therapist--shall--apply

to--the--department--in--writing;-on-a-form-furnished-by-the

department:-He-shall-embody--in--that--application--evidence

under-oath;-satisfactory-to-the-board;-of-his-possessing-the

qualifications---preliminary---to--examination--required--by

37-11-303:

(?)--He-shall-pay-to--the--department--at--the--time--of filing--his-application-a-fee-as-established-by-the-board-by rule--Said <u>The</u> fee-shall <u>must</u> be-commensurate-with-the--cost of--the-examination-and-its-administration-and-shall <u>must</u> be deposited-in-the-state-special-revenue-fund-for-the--use--of the-boardy-subject-to-37-1-101(6)+

(3)--Anyone-failing-to-pass-the <u>first-or-second</u> required examination-is--entitled--to--a--second another examination

within-6-months: An-applicant-who-fails-three-successive
examinations-may-apply-for-reexamination-after-1--year-of
additional-professional-experience-or-training:*

NEW SECTION. Section 5. Codification instruction.

[Sections 2 and 3] are intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 37, chapter 11, part 1, and the

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[sections 2 and 3].

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provisions of Title 37, chapter 11, part 1, apply to