# HOUSE BILL NO. 855

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18 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 10. Licensure without 19 examination. Upon payment of the license fee, an applicant 20 may be issued a license to practice rolfing without taking 21 the examination provided for in [section 8] if he:

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state if the board finds that the licensing or certification
requirements of that state are substantially equivalent to
the requirements of [sections 1 through 18]; or

1 (2) has completed rolfing training and is certified by 2 a school of rolfing approved by the board on or before 3 October 1, 1985; has practiced rolfing in this state for at 4 least 1 year before October 1, 1985; and has presented to 5 the board a verified letter from a practicing and licensed 6 doctor of medicine in this state attesting to the 7 gualifications of the applicant.

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16 (2) On or before December 1 of each year, the board 17 shall notify each licensee by letter, addressed to his last 18 place of business according to the board's records, that his 19 license will expire on December 31 following the date of 20 notice unless application for renewal, accompanied by the 21 renewal fee, is received by the board on or before the 22 expiration date.

(3) Immediately following December 31 of each year,
the board shall notify each licensee from whom a request for
renewal has not been received that his license has expired

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and will be canceled unless a request for the renewal and
 reinstatement, accompanied by the renewal fee and an
 additional fee set by the board, is received by the board on
 or before February 1 following the expiration date.

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15 (6) A person actively engaged in the military service 16 of the United States and licensed to practice rolfing under 17 [sections 1 through 18] is not required to pay the annual 18 renewal fee or apply for renewal until December 31 of the 19 year in which he returns from military service to civilian 20 or inactive status.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 12. Deposit of money received.
 Money received under [sections 1 through 18] by the board
 must be deposited in the state special revenue fund, for use
 by the board, subject to 37-1-101(6).

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suspension, or revocation of license or other disciplinary action. The board may deny, suspend, or revoke a license to practice rolfing or otherwise discipline a licensee for any of the following causes:

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10 (2) being adjudicated incompetent or seriously
11 mentally ill;

12 (3) sustaining a physical or mental disability that 13 renders further practice dangerous;

14 (4) habitual drunkenness or habitual addiction to the15 use of a controlled substance;

16 (5) gross malpractice;

17 (6) engaging in dishonorable, unethical, or 18 unprofessional conduct that may deceive, defraud, or harm 19 the public or which is unbecoming a person licensed to 20 practice under [sections 1 through 18];

(7) obtaining or attempting to obtain a license or a
practice of the profession for money or any other thing of
value by fradulent misrepresentation;

24 (8) advertising by means of knowingly false or25 deceptive statements;

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(9) advertising, practicing, or attempting to practice
 under a name other than his own;

3 (10) using a false, fraudulent, or forged statement or
4 document or engaging in a fraudulent, deceitful, dishonest,
5 or immoral practice in connection with the licensing
6 requirements of [sections 1 through 18]; or

7 (11) violating, attempting to violate, assisting or
8 abetting the violation of, or conspiring to violate a
9 provision of [sections 1 through 18].

10 NEW SECTION. Section 14. Procedure for denial. suspension, or revocation of license. (1) Any person, 11 12 including a member of the board, may file a sworn complaint with the board against a person licensed to practice rolfing 13 in this state, charging the licensee with the commission of 14 an offense listed in [section 13]. The complaint must 15 specify the charge. When the complaint is filed, the board 16 shall mail a copy to the person accused, at his last address 17 on record with the board, together with a written notice of 18 the time and place of a hearing thereon, advising him to be 19 present in person, and represented by counsel if so desired, 20 to offer evidence and be heard in his defense. The time 21 fixed for hearing may not be less than 30 days from the date 22 23 the notice was mailed.

24 (2) At the time and place set for the hearing under25 subsection (1), the board shall receive evidence concerning

1 the complaint and shall permit the person against whom the 2 complaint was filed a fair opportunity to be heard in his 3 defense. After consideration, the board shall adopt a 4 resolution finding the person quilty or not quilty of the 5 offense charged. If the board finds that the grounds listed 6 in [section 13] do not exist or that the person is not guilty, the board shall dismiss the complaint. If the board 7 8 finds that the grounds exist and that the person is guilty, the board shall: g 10 (a) revoke the person's license; 11 (b) suspend his right to practice for a period not 12 exceeding 1 year; (c) suspend its judgment of revocation upon terms and 13 14 conditions to be determined by the board; 15 (d) place him on probation; or 16 (e) take such other disciplinary action as the board 17 in its discretion considers proper. 18 (3) The board, in a case of revocation, suspension, or

probation, shall enter in its records the facts of the
action and of any subsequent action taken by the board.
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of suspension. Upon the expiration of a term of suspension, the board shall reinstate the licensee if the licensee furnishes the board with evidence that he is of good moral character or conduct or restored to good health and that he

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1 has not practiced rolfing in this state during the term of 2 suspension. If the evidence fails to establish to the board's satisfaction that the licensee is of good moral 3 character and conduct or restored to good health or if the 4 evidence shows he has practiced rolfing in this state during 5 6 the term of suspension, the board shall revoke the license 7 at a hearing, the notice and procedure of which must be as 8 provided in [section 16]. The board's revocation of the 9 license is final.

10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 16. Application of 11 administrative procedures. (1) The contested case procedures 12 of the Montana Administrative Procedure Act apply to the 13 notice and hearing required in [sections 14 and 15], except 14 that neither common law nor statutory rules of evidence need 15 apply. The board may adopt rules to exclude repetitive, 16 redundant, or irrelevant testimony.

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19 review procedures are as provided for contested cases under
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NEW SECTION. Section 18. Penalty. A person who violates a provision of [sections 1 through 18] or the rules of the board adopted under [sections 1 through 16] is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for not to exceed 6 months or by a fine not to exceed \$500, or both.

13 Section 19. Section 33-22-111, MCA, is amended to 14 read:

15 "33-22-111. Policies to provide for freedom of choice 16 of practitioners -- professional practice not enlarged. (1) 17 All policies of disability insurance, including individual, 18 group, and blanket policies, and all policies insuring the 19 payment of compensation under the Workers' Compensation Act 20 shall provide the insured shall have full freedom of choice 21 in the selection of any duly licensed physician, dentist, 22 osteopath, chiropractor, rolfer, optometrist, chiropodist, 23 psychologist, or nurse specialist as specifically listed in 24 37-8-202 for treatment of any illness or injury within the 25 scope and limitations of his practice. Whenever such

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policies insure against the expense of drugs, the insured
 shall have full freedom of choice in the selection of any
 duly licensed and registered pharmacist.

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4 (2) Nothing in this section shall be construed as 5 enlarging the scope and limitations of practice of any of 6 the licensed professions enumerated in subsection (1); nor 7 shall this section be construed as amending, altering, or 8 repealing any statutes relating to the licensing or use of 9 hospitals."

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## STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. FNN458-85

# FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received February 18 19 85, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for H.B. 855 pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 4, Part 2 of the Montana Code Annotated (MCA). Background information used in developing this Fiscal Note is available from the Office of Budget and Program Planning, to members of the Legislature upon request.

## DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

Providing for the regulation and licensing of persons practicing rolfing in Montana, providing for penalties for violations; and allowing disability insurance coverage for services performed by licensed rolfers and placing the licensing regulations under the Board of Medical Examiners.

## FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE SPECIAL REVENUES:

Fiscal impact would be nominal based on information supplied of only one person performing rolfing in Montana in Billings, Montana on a part-time basis.

BUDGET DIRECTOR Office of Budget and Program Planning

Feb Date:

## 49th Legislature

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## APPROVED BY COMM. ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

1	STATEMENT OF INTENT
2	HOUSE BILL 855
3	House Business and Labor Committee
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5	A statement of intent is required for this bill because
6	section 5 permits the board of medical examiners to adopt
7	rules in accordance with the Montana Administrative
8	Procedure Act to administer the Rolfing Practice Act of
9	1985. It is contemplated that the rules should address the
10	following:
11	(1) contents of forms for application for examination,
12	licensure, and renewal of license;
13	(2) fees commensurate with costs for examination,
14	licensure, renewal, and reinstatement;
15	(3) contents of the written examination required to
16	test an applicant's competency;
17	(4) minimum score for passing the examination;
18	(5) criteria for giving board approval for schools of
19	rolfing; and
20	(6) guidelines for comparing licensing requirements in
<b>2</b> 1	other states for applicants licensed outside Montana.

Montana Legislative Council

# second reading HB 855

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21 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 17. Enjoining unlawful practice. 22 A person engaging in the practice of rolfing in any way 23 other than as defined in [sections 1 through 18] may be 24 enjoined by the district court on petition by the board. In 25 such proceeding, it is not necessary to show that any person is individually injured by the actions complained of. If the respondent is found to have so practiced, the court shall enjoin him from practicing until he has been licensed. The procedure in such cases must be as in any other suit. The remedy by injunction is in addition to criminal prosecution and punishment.

7 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 18. Penalty. A person who 8 violates a provision of [sections 1 through 18] or the rules 9 of the board adopted under [sections 1 through 18] is guilty 10 of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the county 11 jail for not to exceed 6 months or by a fine not to exceed 12 \$500, or both.

13 Section 19. Section 33-22-111, MCA, is amended to 14 read:

15 "33-22-111. Policies to provide for freedom of choice of practitioners -- professional practice not enlarged. (1) 16 17 All policies of disability insurance, including individual, group, and blanket policies, and all policies insuring the 18 payment of compensation under the Workers' Compensation Act 19 shall provide the insured shall have full freedom of choice 20 in the selection of any duly licensed physician, dentist, 21 22 osteopath, chiropractor, rolfer, optometrist, chiropodist, psychologist, or nurse specialist as specifically listed in 23 37-8-202 for treatment of any illness or injury within the 24 25 scope and limitations of his practice. Whenever such

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policies insure against the expense of drugs, the insured
 shall have full freedom of choice in the selection of any
 duly licensed and registered pharmacist.

4 (2) Nothing in this section shall be construed as 5 enlarging the scope and limitations of practice of any of 6 the licensed professions enumerated in subsection (1); nor 7 shall this section be construed as amending, altering, or 8 repealing any statutes relating to the licensing or use of 9 hospitals."

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