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	1/05	REFERRED TO PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & SAFETY	1
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	1/23	COMMITTEE REPORTBILL PASSED AS AMENDED	
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	1/29	3RD READING PASSED 50	0
		TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE	
	2/04	REFERRED TO HUMAN SERVICES & AGING	
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		COMMITTEE REPORTBILL CONCURRED	
	3/03	2ND READING CONCURRED 89	9
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5	ACCESS TO PHYSICAL THERAPY; AND AMENDING SECTION 37-11-104,
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14	development butnottheimplementation of a plan of
15	treatment; consultative, educational, and other advisory
16	services; and instruction and supervision of supportive
17	personnel.
18	(2) Treatment employs, for therapeutic effects,
19	physical measures, activities and devices, for preventive
20	and therapeutic purposes, exercises, rehabilitative
21	procedures, massage, mobilization, and physical agents
22	including but not limited to mechanical devices, heat, cold,
23	air, light, water, electricity, and sound.
24	(3) The evaluation and treatment procedures listed in
25	subsection-(1) subsections (1) and (2) may be performed by a



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APPROVED BY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & SAFETY

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1 and--a--practicing--physical--therapist for the 3 years 2 preceding appointment to the board. 3 (4) (a) Within 30 days following July 1, 1979, the 4 governor shall make initial appointments to the board of 5 physical therapy examiners. He shall appoint one member each 6 to hold office for terms of 1 year, 2 years, and 3 years, 7 respectively. At the end of each member's appointed term, a 8 member shall be appointed for a full 3-year term. 9 (b) The Montana medical association may submit names of nominees under subsection (2)(b) to the governor as 10 11 provided in 37-1-132. 12 (c) A physician and a member of the general public 13 must be appointed to the board on or before January 1, 1988, 14 for a 3-year term. 15 (5) A vacancy on the board must be filled in the same 16 manner as the original appointment. These appointments may 17 only be made for the unexpired portions of the term. 18 (6) No member may be appointed for more than two 19 consecutive terms. 20 (7) The governor may remove any board member for 21 negligence in performance of any duty required by law and for incompetence or unprofessional or dishonorable conduct. 22 23 (8) A board member is not liable to civil action for any act performed in good faith in the execution of the 24 25 duties required by Title 37, chapter 11.



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2	structure by rule, which shall include a chairman,
3	vice-chairman, and secretary-treasurer.
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15	GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION UNDER 37-11-321.
16	(2) THERE IS NO LIABILITY ON THE PART OF AND NO CAUSE
17	OF ACTION MAY ARISE AGAINST A PHYSICAL THERAPIST WHO IN GOOD
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