

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 796

BY REPRESENTATIVE STAGNI

CHIROPRACTORS: Provides relative to the Louisiana Board of Chiropractic Examiners

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 37:2801(4) and (5) and 2807, relative to chiropractors; to provide for
3 definitions; to provide for the duties and responsibilities as defined by the Louisiana
4 Board of Chiropractic Examiners; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 37:2801(4) and (5) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §2801. Definitions

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9 (4) "Preceptee" means a chiropractic student defined by the board.

10 (5) "Preceptor" means a licensed chiropractor as defined by the board.

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12 §2807. Preceptors; preceptees; duties and responsibilities

13 A. A preceptor may delegate responsibility to a preceptee under this Section
14 if:

15 (1) The preceptor has held an active chiropractic license in good standing in
16 this state or another jurisdiction for five years.

17 (2) The preceptor has not had any disciplinary issues in the preceding three
18 years, does not have any open complaints, or is not under investigation for any
19 matters.

20 (3) The preceptor has been licensed by the board.

1 B. A preceptor may delegate to a preceptee currently enrolled in an
2 accredited chiropractic college the performance of adjustments or manipulations if
3 the preceptee has qualified for admission to the college outpatient clinic. Both the
4 preceptor and preceptee shall register with the board and notify patients who is the
5 preceptor and preceptee.

6 C. A preceptor shall be physically onsite but need not be present when a
7 preceptee performs an adjustment or manipulation.

8 D. A chiropractic preceptee performing adjustments or manipulation in
9 accordance with this Section may not present to the public that the preceptee is a
10 licensed chiropractor.

11 E. A preceptor may not delegate responsibility to render a diagnosis or
12 prescribe a treatment plan to a preceptee pursuant to this Section.

13 F. A preceptor or preceptee who violates this Section is subject to
14 disciplinary action.

15 G. A preceptor and preceptee shall adhere to recommendations of
16 chiropractic student procedure as defined by the board.

DIGEST

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HB 796 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Provides relative to the Louisiana Board of Chiropractic Examiners definitions for preceptor and preceptee and their duties and responsibilities.

Present law defines board, chiropractor duties, and the practice of chiropractic.

Proposed law adds definitions for preceptor and preceptee.

Proposed law provides for preceptors to delegate responsibilities and tasks to a preceptee, requires a preceptor to be licensed and in good standing in this state or another jurisdiction for five years, be licensed by the Louisiana Board of Chiropractic Examiners for at least one year, not have had any disciplinary issues in the preceding three years, does not have any open complaints, and is not under any investigations.

Proposed law prohibits preceptors from delegating responsibility to render a diagnosis or prescribe a treatment plan to a preceptee and prohibits preceptees performing adjustments or manipulation in accordance with the proposed law from presenting to the public that the preceptee is a licensed chiropractor.

Proposed law requires that both preceptors and preceptees register with the board and notify patients who is the preceptor and preceptee.

Proposed law requires preceptees to perform adjustments or manipulation while a preceptor is physically onsite and subjects preceptors and preceptees to disciplinary actions for any violations of the proposed law.

(Adds R.S. 37:2801(4) and (5) and 2807)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Require that preceptors have not had any disciplinary issues in the preceding three years, does not have open complaints, or is not under investigation for any matters to delegate responsibilities.
2. Require that both preceptors and preceptees register with the board and notify patients who is the preceptor and preceptee.
3. Make a technical change.