NOTE: The governor signed this measure on 5/31/2014.

SENATE BILL 14-099

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CONCERNING A PROVISIONAL PHYSICAL THERAPIST LICENSE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 12-41-107.5 as follows:

12-41-107.5. Provisional license - fee. (1) The board may issue a provisional license to practice as a physical therapist to a person who:

(a) SUBMITS AN APPLICATION AND PAYS A FEE AS DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR; AND

(b) SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETES A PHYSICAL THERAPY PROGRAM THAT MEETS THE EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS IN SECTION 12-41-107(1) (a).

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

(2) A PERSON WHO HOLDS A PROVISIONAL LICENSE MAY ONLY PRACTICE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A PHYSICAL THERAPIST ACTIVELY LICENSED IN THIS STATE.

(3) A PROVISIONAL LICENSE ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION EXPIRES NO LATER THAN ONE HUNDRED TWENTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE IT WAS ISSUED. A PROVISIONAL LICENSE MAY ONLY BE ISSUED ONE TIME AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO SECTION 12-41-112.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-41-115, **amend** (1) (e) as follows:

12-41-115. Grounds for disciplinary action. (1) The board may take disciplinary action in accordance with section 12-41-116 against a person who has:

(e) Failed to provide adequate or proper supervision when utilizing unlicensed persons OR PERSONS WITH A PROVISIONAL LICENSE in a physical therapy practice;

SECTION 3. Appropriation. (1) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the division of professions and occupations cash fund created in section 24-34-105 (2) (b) (I), Colorado Revised Statutes, not otherwise appropriated, to the department of regulatory agencies, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, the sum of \$18,336, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be allocated to the division of professions and occupations for the implementation of this act as follows:

(a) \$120 for operating expenses; and

(b) \$18,216 for the purchase of legal services.

(2) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated to the department of law, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, the sum of \$18,216 and 0.1 FTE, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the provision of legal services for the department of regulatory agencies related to the implementation of this act. Said sum is from reappropriated funds received from the department of regulatory

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agencies out of the appropriation made in paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of this section.

SECTION 4. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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