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HOUSE BILL NO. 1111

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 54.1-3481 of the Code of Virginia, relating to advertising physical therapy services.

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Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 54.1-3481 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 54.1-3481. Unlawful designation as physical therapist or physical therapist assistant; use of "physical therapy" in advertising.

A. It shall be unlawful for any person who is not licensed under this chapter, or whose license has been suspended or revoked or who licensure has lapsed and has not been renewed, to use in conjunction with his name the letters or words "R.P.T.," "Registered Physical Therapist," "L.P.T.," "Licensed Physical Therapist," "P.T.," "Physical Therapist," "Physio-therapist," "P.T.T.," "Physical Therapy Technician," "P.T.A.," "Physical Therapist Assistant," "Licensed Physical Therapist Assistant," or to otherwise by letters, words, representations or insignias assert or imply that he is a licensed physical therapist. The title to designate a licensed physical therapist shall be "P.T." The title to designate a physical therapist assistant shall show such fact plainly on its face.

B. *It shall be unlawful for any person to advertise or promote services as "physical therapy" unless he is licensed as a physical therapist under this chapter.*

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