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HOUSE BILL 18-1068

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE ELIMINATION OF "REGISTERED" IN THE TITLE OF A
102 NATUROPATHIC DOCTOR.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

Current law requires a naturopathic doctor to use the term "registered" in the doctor's title. The bill changes the titles that naturopathic doctors may use by eliminating the word "registered".

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

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 **SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly
2 hereby finds and declares that:

3 (a) The purpose of this act is to protect the public's health, safety,
4 and welfare with respect to the practice of naturopathic doctors; and

5 (b) The term "registered" should be removed from the title of
6 naturopathic doctor in order to eliminate confusion for the public, to
7 distinguish a naturopathic doctor from other professions, and to protect
8 the public from any persons who might falsely hold themselves out as
9 naturopathic doctors.

10 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-37.3-110, **amend**
11 (2) as follows:

12 **12-37.3-110. Persons entitled to practice as naturopathic**
13 **doctors - title protection for naturopathic doctors.** (2) A naturopathic
14 doctor may use the title "~~registered~~ "naturopathic doctor", or "~~registered~~
15 "doctor of naturopathy", or the initials "~~R.N.D.~~" "N.D."

16 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
17 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
18 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.