AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 526

AMENDMENT NO. ____. Amend Senate Bill 526 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following:

"Section 5. The Naprapathic Practice Act is amended by changing Section 50 as follows:

(225 ILCS 63/50)

Sec. 50. Naprapathic Examining Committee. The Director shall appoint a Naprapathic Examining Committee to consist of 7 persons who shall be appointed by and shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Director. Five members must hold an active license to engage in the practice of naprapathy in this State. Committee membership shall consist of at least one appointee, who shall be a member in good standing, from each of the following: (i) the American Naprapathic Association; (ii) the Illinois Naprapathic Association, and (iii) the naprapathic faculty of the Chicago National College of Naprathy, one member shall be a physician licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches in Illinois, and one member must be a member of the public who is not licensed under this Act or a similar Act of another jurisdiction or has no connection with the profession. The initial appointees who would otherwise be required to be licensed naprapaths
shall instead be individuals who have been practicing naprapathy for at least 5 years and who would be eligible under this Act for licensure as naprapaths. Neither the public member nor the physician member shall participate in the preparation or administration of the examination of applicants for licensure. The public member shall not be a voting member.

Members shall serve 4 year terms and until their successors are appointed and qualified, except that of the initial appointments, 2 members shall be appointed to serve for 2 years, 2 shall be appointed to serve for 3 years and the remaining members shall be appointed to serve for 4 years and until their successors are appointed and qualified. No member shall be reappointed to the Committee for a term that would cause his or her continuous service on the Committee to be longer than 8 consecutive years. Appointments to fill vacancies shall be made in the same manner as original appointments, for the unexpired portion of the vacated term. Initial terms shall begin upon the effective date of this Act. Committee members in office on that date shall be appointed to specific terms as indicated in this Section.

The Committee shall annually elect a chairman and a vice-chairman who shall preside in the absence of the chairman.

The membership of the Committee should reasonably reflect representation from the geographic areas in this State.

The Director may terminate the appointment of any member for cause.

The Director may give due consideration to all recommendations of the Committee.

Without limiting the power of the Department to conduct investigations in any manner, the Committee may recommend to the Director that one or more licensed naprapaths be selected by the Director to conduct or assist in any investigation
under this Act. A licensed naprapath so selected may receive remuneration as determined by the Director.

(Source: P.A. 89-61, eff. 6-30-95).