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AN ACT concerning the regulation of professions.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois Occupational Therapy Practice
Act is amended by changing Section 2 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 75/2) (from Ch. 111, par. 3702)

7 Sec. 2. In this Act:

8 (1) "Department" means the Department of Professional9 Regulation.

10 (2) "Director" means the Director of Professional 11 Regulation.

12 (3) "Board" means the Illinois Occupational Therapy13 Board appointed by the Director.

14 (4) "Registered Occupational Therapist" means a person
15 licensed to practice occupational therapy as defined in this
16 Act, and whose license is in good standing.

(5) "Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant" means a 17 18 person licensed to assist in the practice of occupational therapy under the supervision of a Registered Occupational 19 20 Therapist, and to implement the occupational therapy treatment program as established the Registered 21 by 22 Occupational Therapist. Such program may include training in activities of daily living, the use of therapeutic activity 23 including task oriented activity to enhance functional 24 performance, and guidance in the selection and use of 25 adaptive equipment. 26

(6) "Occupational Therapy" means the evaluation of functional performance ability of persons impaired by physical illness or injury, emotional disorder, congenital or developmental disability, or the aging process, and the analysis, selection and application of occupations or goal

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1 directed activities, for the treatment or prevention of these 2 disabilities to achieve optimum functioning. Occupational therapy services include, but are not limited to activities 3 4 of daily living (ADL); the design fabrication and application 5 or splints, administration and interpretation of standardized 6 tests to identify dysfunctions, sensory-integrative and perceptual motor activities, the use of task oriented 7 activities, guidance in the selection and use of assistive 8 devices, goal oriented activities directed toward enhancing 9 performance, prevocational evaluation and 10 functional 11 vocational training, and consultation in the adaptation of physical environments for the handicapped. These services 12 are provided to individuals or groups through medical, 13 health, educational, and social systems. An occupational 14 therapist may evaluate a person but shall obtain a referral 15 16 by a physician <u>or optometrist</u> before treatment is administered by the occupational therapist. An occupational 17 18 therapist shall refer to a licensed physician, dentist, 19 optometrist, or podiatrist any patient whose medical condition should, at the time of evaluation or treatment, be 20 21 determined to be beyond the scope of practice of the occupational therapist. 22

23 (Source: P.A. 88-424.)

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