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H 1122. NC COLON HYDROTHERAPY LICENSURE. Filed 4/6/09. *TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA COLON HYDROTHERAPY LICENSURE ACT.*

Enacts new Article 42 of GS Chapter 90 to require the licensure of individuals engaging in the practice of colon hydrotherapy. Defines *colon hydrotherapy* as the introduction of water into the colon via the anal region for the purpose of cleansing the colon. Effective October 1, 2009, creates a seven member Colon Hydrotherapy Licensing Board with authority to determine licensure qualifications and fees, enjoin illegal practices, and assess civil penalties up to \$2,000 for violations of the new law. Establishes minimal qualifications for licensure and maximum licensure fees. Violation of the new law is a Class 2 misdemeanor. Provides that a person who is currently a member of the International Association for Colon Hydrotherapy (IACT), is certified at the Foundation Level of IACT, and is using colon hydrotherapy equipment registered with the federal Food and Drug Administration on the effective date of the act will be issued a license without the requirement of examination.

Intro. by Insko.

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