

## STATE OF ILLINOIS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SPRINGFIELD 62706

**JB PRITZKER** GOVERNOR

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To the Honorable Members of the Illinois General Assembly:

In compliance with the requirements set forth in the Illinois Regulatory Sunset Act (5 ILCS 80), my office has conducted a review of the Naprapathic Practice Act (225 ILCS 63), which is scheduled to sunset on January 1, 2023. As a result of this review, it is recommended to the General Assembly that:

The Naprapathic Practice Act (225 ILCS 63) should be continued with the following modifications to its existing statutory and administrative rule framework.

- Require licensees to provide an email address of record with the Department (225 ILCS 63/10).
- Repeal the making of licensee rosters (including name and address) available upon request and payment (225 ILCS 63/95).
- Amend the "grounds for discipline" section of the Act (225 ILCS 63/110) to be more uniform with other Department acts.

The practice of naprapathy involves the treatment of individuals using connective tissue manipulation, therapeutic and rehabilitative exercise, and postural counseling. Naprapathy is distinct but not dissimilar from other licensed professions, including chiropractic medicine, massage therapy, and athletic training, which require physical contact with individuals and manipulation of tissue.

Continued licensure and regulation ensure those practicing naprapathy and holding oneself out to be a naprapath meet the educational and experience requirements of the profession, which would improve the health, welfare and safety of the people of Illinois.

The full report provided by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget is provided as reference.

Very Sincerely and Respectfully, JB Pritzker Governor