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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

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READSHAW AND CALTAGIRONE, FEBRUARY 3, 2017

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE,  
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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of October 5, 1978 (P.L.1109, No.261), entitled  
2 "An act requiring the licensing of practitioners of  
3 osteopathic medicine and surgery; regulating their practice;  
4 providing for certain funds and penalties for violations and  
5 repeals," further providing for reasons for refusal,  
6 revocation or suspension of license.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 15(a)(3) of the act of October 5, 1978  
10 (P.L.1109, No.261), known as the Osteopathic Medical Practice  
11 Act, is amended to read:

12 Section 15. Reasons for refusal, revocation or suspension of  
13 license.

14 (a) The board shall have authority to refuse, revoke or  
15 suspend the license of a physician for any of the following  
16 reasons:

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18 (3) Conviction of a felony, a crime involving moral  
19 turpitude, or a crime related to the practice of osteopathic

1 medicine. Conviction shall include a finding or verdict of  
2 guilt, an admission of guilt or a plea of nolo contendere, or  
3 receiving probation without verdict, disposition in lieu of  
4 trial, or an Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition in the  
5 disposition of felony charges. Notwithstanding any other  
6 provision of this act, if a physician is convicted of an  
7 offense under section 13(a)(12) of the act of April 14, 1972  
8 (P.L.233, No.64), known as "The Controlled Substance, Drug,  
9 Device and Cosmetic Act," or a substantially similar offense  
10 in another state, the board shall permanently revoke the  
11 license of the physician.

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13 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.