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5 to read as follows:
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3 *physical rehabilitation of persons having disability RESULTING*
4 *FROM, OR SECONDARY TO, injury, or disease.*

1 ~~605.~~

2 *The Practice of Physical Therapy defined*

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4 *and includes:*
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8 *treatment;*

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*
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CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.
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1 SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect*
 2 *June 1, 1967.*

Approved:

..... Governor.

..... Speaker of the House of Delegates.

..... President of the Senate.

Sealed with the Great Seal and Presented to the Governor, for his

approval this.....day of.....

at..... o'clock.....

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Chief Clerk.

Introduced by Delegate Boyer.

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House Bill 736

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By the HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 28, 1967.

Introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By order, JAMES P. MAUSE, Chief Clerk.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Favorable, with amendments.

THOMAS HUNTER LOWE, Chairman.

By the HOUSE OF DELEGATES, March 17, 1967.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary with proposed amendments, amendments adopted, read second time and ordered printed for third reading.

By order, JAMES P. MAUSE, Chief Clerk.

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BY THE SENATE

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Reported favorably from the.....and read
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By order,

Secretary.

BY THE SENATE

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Reported favorably from the.....with
amendment; amendment adopted, read the second time.

By order,

Secretary.

BY THE SENATE

.....1967

Read third time and passed by.....Yeas and.....Nays.

By order,

Secretary.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

.....1967

Senate amendment concurred in and bill passed by Yeas and Nays as
amended.

By order,

Chief Clerk.

Read and Examined by Proof Readers:

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Proof Reader.

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Proof Reader.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

.....1967

Read third time and passed by yeas and nays.

By order,

Chief Clerk.

BY THE SENATE

.....1967

Read the first time and referred to.....

By order,

Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

.....Chairman.

April 11, 1967

Mr. Elroy Boyer
Chestertown, Maryland 21620

Dear Mr. Boyer:

The American Physical Therapy Association
of Maryland wishes to thank you for sponsoring
H.B. 736, and helping to see it through to enactment.

Hopefully, the Governor will soon sign the
bill. We believe the revised definition will be looked
upon as one of the best definitions of the Practice
of Physical Therapy in this Country.

Respectfully yours,

Florence P. Kendall, Chairman
Legislative Committee

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Thank-you letters
for Support of H.B. 736

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

GET PREPARED TO SUPPORT HOUSE BILL 736!
KNOW WHO ARE YOUR DELEGATES & SENATORS-
(Wait for further instructions before contacting your representatives) VOLUNTEER TO WORK ON TELEPHONE COMMITTEE !

Background information leading up to introduction of H.B. 736

1. Realization for years on the part of many physical therapists that the definition in the present P.T. law has been inadequate, particularly in not spelling out the Practice of Physical Therapy
2. Sept. 1966 Md. Health Dept. proposals regarding a training course for P.T. Assistants pointed up the need to define what the functions and responsibilities of a graduate, licensed P.T. are, before trying to determine what part of the practice assistants might do.
3. Sept. 8, 1966 At a meeting of the State Board of P.T. Examiners, Mr. Alfred O'Ferrall from the Attorney General's office focused attention on the need for better definitions in the P.T. law.
4. Oct. 19, 1966 At the regular monthly meeting of the A.P.T.A. of Md. a resolution was adopted, establishing a committee to work on defining P.T. with special reference to "the knowledge, skills, functions and responsibilities of physical therapists, and to determine the feasibility of developing performance levels for personnel in physical therapy".
5. Committee on P.T. definition, appointed by the President of the Chapter, met 5 times: Nov. 21 & Dec. 5, 1966, Jan. 9, 23 & 30, 1967
6. Feb. 7, 1967 Newsletter containing definition received by members.
- Feb 8. 7. Our advisor, Dr. Karl Mech met with the Legislative Committee Chairman to discuss the revised definition and the need for this revision in the P.T. law.
8. Feb. 15, 1967 At the regular monthly meeting of the Chapter, motions were adopted to accept the revised definition and to propose it as an amendment to the P.T. law, repealing the present definition.

9. Feb. 16, 1967 In a call to the Medical & Chirurgical Faculty to ask whether our proposal could be considered, we were advised that it must be in amendment form. Drawing up the amendment was a simple procedure, under the circumstances, striking out the present one and inserting the proposed one in two parts.

A call to the Legislative Reference at City Hall disclosed that Feb. 28th would be the last day for introduction of new legislation, except by suspension of Rules.

Mr. Kaufman, our attorney, was advised about the motions adopted by the Chapter.

By telephone members of the Legislative Com. of the Chapter were reached, a letter was drafted to accompany the amendment and in the 6 P.M. mail (less than 24 hrs after the Chapter Meeting) communications went out to all Board Members, Sec. and Consultant to the Board, Med. Chi. and Mr. Kaufman.

Feb. 23, 1967 Med. Chi. gave approval with addition of one amendment, adding "as an aid to treatment" at the end of item #1 dealing with neuro-muscular and musculo-skeletal testing.

Feb. 27, 1967 Mr. Kaufman informed us that the bill was in the hands of Legislative Reference and that Delegate Elroy Boyer would be introducing it the next day.

Mar. 6, 1967 The President & Legislative Committee Chairman met with the State Board of P.T. Examiners to discuss some recommendations for minor amendments to the bill.

Mar. 7, 1967 Members of the Legislative Committee and several other Chapter members were contacted by telephone to discuss the proposed changes recommended by the Board. A letter was then drafted indicating the acceptance of some and minor modification of others, and was in the 6 P.M. mail.

Florence Kendall
Legislative Chairman

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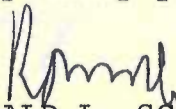
Dear Mrs. Kendall:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the revised amendments to House Bill No. 736.

I believe that you will find that they accomplish which we are attempting to do in this legislation period.

With kind personal regards.

Very truly yours,


RONALD L. SCHREIBER

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