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**S 1410. PEDORTHIST LICENSURE.** Filed 3/21/07. *TO ESTABLISH THE PEDORTHIST LICENSURE ACT.*

Enacts new Article 12B of GS Chapter 90 to require the licensure of pedorthists beginning January 1, 2008, with the exception of those that have been a pedorthist in the state for at least three consecutive years before January 1, 2008. The practice of pedorthics means the design, manufacture, modification, or fit of custom shoes and devices to prevent foot problems pursuant to a doctor's prescription. Effective October 1, 2007, creates the seven-member North Carolina Pedorthist Licensure Board with authority to set licensure qualifications and fees, carry out disciplinary actions, and establish continuing education requirements. Establishes minimum qualifications for licensure and maximum licensure fees. Violation of the new law is a Class 1 misdemeanor subject to a fine of no more than \$1,000 for each violation.

**Intro. by Hartsell.**

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