No. 306

AN ACT

To amend section 1 of the act, approved the thirtieth day of March, one thousand nine hundred seventeen (Pamphlet Laws 21), entitled "An act defining optometry; and relating to the right to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and making certain exceptions; and providing a Board of Optometrical Education, Examination, and Licensure, and means and methods whereby the right to practice optometry may be obtained; and providing for the means to carry out the provisions of this act; and providing for revocation or suspension of licenses given by said board, and providing penalties for violations thereof; and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith," by further defining the practice of optometry and defining "optometrist."

Optometrists.

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

Section 1, act of March 30, 1917, P. L. 21, amended.

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Practice of optometry defined.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the practice of optometry is hereby defined to be the employment of any means or methods, other than the use of drugs or surgery, for the [measurement of the powers of vision and the adaptation of lenses for the correction and aid of the vision of human beings] examination of the human eye and the analysis of ocular functions, or the prescribing, providing, furnishing, adapting or employing any or all kinds and types of lenses and prisms, visual training orthoptics, ocular exercises, and any and all preventive and corrective methods for the aid, correction or relief of the human eye, its associated structures, appendages and functions, other than the use of drugs or surgery.

Meaning of term "optometrist."

The term "optometrist" means a person who practices optometry in accordance with the provisions of this act.

Approved—The 17th day of August, A. D. 1951.

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