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1 AN ACT Relating to permitting regularly enrolled students in a
2 prescribed course of opticianry to practice under supervision without
3 registering as an apprentice with the department of health; and
4 amending RCW 18.34.010.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.34.010 and 1957 c 43 s 1 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

8 Nothing in this chapter shall:

9 (1) Be construed to limit or restrict a duly licensed physician or
10 optometrist or employees working under the personal supervision of a
11 duly licensed physician or optometrist from the practices enumerated in
12 this chapter, and each such licensed physician and optometrist shall
13 have all the rights and privileges which may accrue under this chapter
14 to dispensing opticians licensed hereunder;

15 (2) Be construed to prohibit or restrict practice by a regularly
16 enrolled student in a prescribed course in opticianry in a college or
17 university approved by the secretary whose performance of services is
18 pursuant to a regular course of instruction or assignments from an

1 instructor and under the supervision of a licensed dispensing optician,
2 optometrist, or ophthalmologist: PROVIDED, That persons practicing
3 under this section must be clearly identified as students;

4 (3) Be construed to prohibit an unlicensed person from performing
5 mechanical work upon inert matter in an optical office, laboratory or
6 shop;

7 ((+3)) (4) Be construed to prohibit an unlicensed person from
8 engaging in the sale of spectacles, eyeglasses, magnifying glasses,
9 goggles, sunglasses, telescopes, binoculars, or any such articles which
10 are completely preassembled and sold only as merchandise;

11 ((+4)) (5) Be construed to authorize or permit a licensee
12 hereunder to hold himself out as being able to, or to offer to, or to
13 undertake to attempt, by any manner of means, to examine or exercise
14 eyes, diagnose, treat, correct, relieve, operate or prescribe for any
15 human ailment, deficiency, deformity, disease or injury.

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