

Amendment No. 1 to HB0537

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 849

House Bill No. 537*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-12-133, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(d) For the purposes of this chapter, the practice of veterinary medicine does not include massage therapy to animals, which means the manipulation of the soft tissues of the animal body with the intention of positively affecting the health and well-being of the animal. This therapy does not include the diagnosis, treatment, correction, alleviation, or prevention of any animal disease, illness, pain, deformity, defect, injury, or other physical or mental condition. This subsection (d) shall expire on July 1, 2018.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.