

House Bill 145 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Hatchett of the 143rd, Cooper of the 41st, Ramsey of the 72nd, Lindsey of the 54th, and Watson of the 163rd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 43-33-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 definitions relative to the "Georgia Physical Therapy Act"; so as to revise a definition; to
3 provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

6 Code Section 43-33-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions
7 relative to the "Georgia Physical Therapy Act," is amended by revising paragraph (7) as
8 follows:

9 "(7) 'Physical therapy' means the examination, treatment, and instruction of human
10 beings to detect, assess, prevent, correct, alleviate, and limit physical disability, bodily
11 malfunction and pain from injury, disease, and any other bodily and mental conditions
12 and includes the administration, interpretation, documentation, and evaluation of tests and
13 measurements of bodily functions and structures; the planning, administration,
14 evaluation, and modification of treatment and instruction, including the use of physical
15 measures, activities, and devices, for preventative and therapeutic purposes, including but
16 not limited to dry needling; and the provision of consultative, educational, and other
17 advisory services for the purpose of preventing or reducing the incidence and severity of
18 physical disability, bodily malfunction, and pain."

19 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.