

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Bill No. HB 867 (2026)

Amendment No. 1

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED (Y/N)

ADOPTED AS AMENDED (Y/N)

ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION (Y/N)

FAILED TO ADOPT (Y/N)

WITHDRAWN (Y/N)

OTHER

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Health & Human Services
2 Committee

3 Representative Anderson offered the following:

5 **Amendment**

6 Remove lines 31-62 and insert:

7 (1) The board shall establish minimum standards of
8 practice for the performance of dry needling by occupational
9 therapists, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

10 (a) Completion of 2 years of licensed practice as an
11 occupational therapist.

12 (b) Completion of 50 hours of face-to-face continuing
13 education from an entity approved by the Board on the topic of
14 dry needling, which must include a determination by the
15 instructor that the occupational therapist demonstrates the
16 requisite psychomotor skills needed to safely perform dry

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17 needling. The continuing education must include instruction in
18 all of the following areas:

19 1. Theory of dry needling.

20 2. Selection and safe handling of needles and other
21 apparatus or equipment used in dry needling, including
22 instruction on the proper handling of biohazardous waste.

23 3. Indications and contraindications for dry needling.

24 4. Psychomotor skills needed to safely perform dry
25 needling.

26 5. Postintervention care, including adverse responses,
27 adverse event recordkeeping, and any reporting obligations.

28 (c)1. Completion of at least 25 patient sessions of dry
29 needling performed under the supervision of an occupational
30 therapist, physical therapist, or chiropractic physician who
31 holds an active license to practice in any state or the District
32 of Columbia, who has actively performed dry needling for at
33 least 1 year, and who documents that he or she has met the
34 supervision and competency requirements and needs no additional
35 supervised sessions to perform dry needling; or

36 2. Completion of 25 patient sessions of dry needling
37 performed as an occupational therapist licensed in any state or
38 in the United States Armed Forces.