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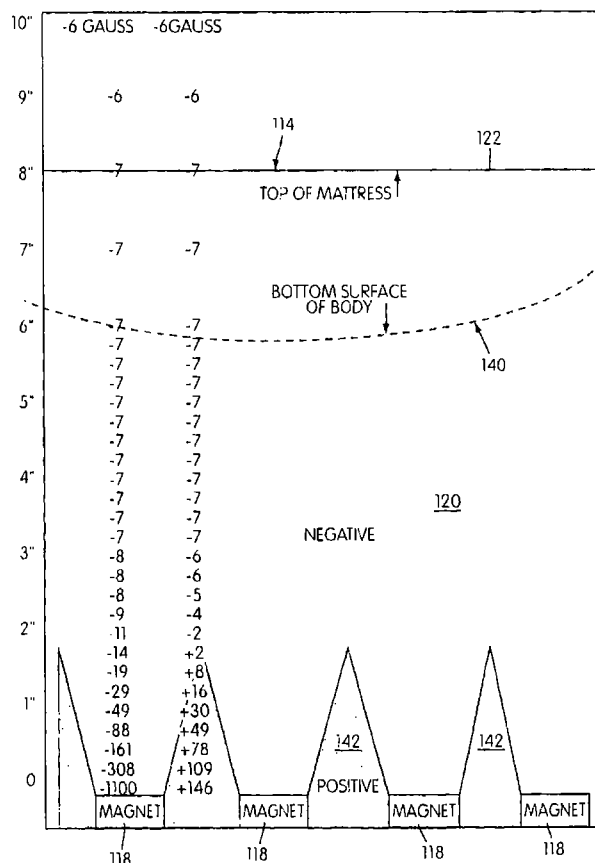
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(57) Abstract: A magnetic bed device (10) designed to be placed adjacent to a mattress having a surface (22) configured to support a resting person (12) is provided. The magnetic bed device includes a plurality of magnets (18) that produce a negative magnetic field (20) in a region adjacent the surface, and a positive magnetic field in a region remote from the surface. The plurality of magnets are positioned relative to the surface such that only the negative magnetic field (20) extends beyond the surface to the resting person. In another embodiment, a magnetic bed device for supporting a resting person is provided. The magnetic bed device includes a supporting layer having a surface configured to support the resting person and the plurality of magnets positioned relative to the surface such that only the negative magnetic field extends beyond the supporting layer to the resting person. In yet another embodiment, a magnetic bed device is provided that includes the supporting layer and a magnetic field generator disposed within the supporting layer. The magnetic field generator is configured to provide a negative magnetic field that prevents a positive or reversed direction of magnetic flux from entering the resting person. A method of enhancing body function of a resting person is also provided. The method includes positioning a magnetic device that produces a negative magnetic field beneath the supporting layer configured to support the resting person.



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