

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 56th Legislature (2018)

3 SENATE BILL 1399

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to Massage Therapy Practice Act;
8 amending Section 2, Chapter 292, O.S.L. 2016 (59 O.S.
9 Supp. 2017, Section 4200.2), which relates to
10 definitions; adding definition; providing for
11 inspections; providing for codification; and
12 providing an effective date.

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 292, O.S.L.
14 2016 (59 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 4200.2), is amended to read as
15 follows:

16 Section 4200.2. As used in the Massage Therapy Practice Act:

17 1. "Board" means the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering;

18 2. "Direct access" means the ability that the public has to
19 seek out treatment by a massage therapist without the direct
20 referral from a medical or health care professional;

21 3. "Massage therapist" means an individual who practices
22 massage or massage therapy and is licensed under the Massage Therapy
23 Practice Act. A massage therapist uses visual, kinesthetic, and
24 palpatory skills to assess the body and may evaluate a condition to

1 the extent of determining whether massage is indicated or
2 contraindicated;

3 4. "Massage therapy" means the skillful treatment of the soft
4 tissues of the human body. Massage is designed to promote general
5 relaxation, improve movement, relieve somatic and muscular pain or
6 dysfunction, stress and muscle tension, provide for general health
7 enhancement, personal growth, education and the organization,
8 balance and integration of the human body and includes, but is not
9 limited to:

10 a. the use of touch, pressure, friction, stroking,
11 gliding, percussion, kneading, movement, positioning,
12 holding, range of motion and nonspecific stretching
13 within the normal anatomical range of movement, and
14 vibration by manual or mechanical means with or
15 without the use of massage devices that mimic or
16 enhance manual measures, and

17 b. the external application of ice, heat and cold packs
18 for thermal therapy, water, lubricants, abrasives and
19 external application of herbal or topical preparations
20 not classified as prescription drugs; ~~and~~

21 5. "Massage therapy establishment" means any fixed business
22 location, address, building or property, other than a licensed
23 cosmetology or barbering establishment, where a person engages in,
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1 conducts, carries on or permits to be engaged in the practice of
2 massage therapy; and

3 6. "Massage therapy school" means a facility providing
4 instruction in massage therapy.

5 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
6 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4200.5.1 of Title 59, unless
7 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

8 All massage establishments shall be subject to inspection by the
9 Board of Cosmetology and Barbering and shall comply with all
10 provisions of the Massage Therapy Practice Act and rules of the
11 Board.

12 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2018.

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