
DIGEST

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HB 240 Reengrossed

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Emerson

Abstract: Allows graduates of state-approved, Louisiana-based massage therapy schools to receive one three-month provisional license upon graduation.

Present law states the qualifications for licensure to the La. Board of Massage Therapy (board) and provides the methods for issuance to those qualified licensees.

Proposed law grants a three-month provisional license to massage therapy graduates in preparation for the board exam.

Proposed law does not allow for a renewal of the provisional license.

Proposed law requires a facility who employs a provisionally-licensed massage therapist to notify a customer that the massage therapist is operating under a provisional license prior to receiving services from that massage therapist.

Proposed law provides that a provisionally licensed massage therapist may only work at a facility that employs a massage therapist licensed pursuant to present law.

Proposed law shall cease to be effective on Dec. 31, 2025.

(Adds R.S. 37:3556(F))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Commerce to the original bill:

1. Limit the provisional license to one three-month term.
2. Require a facility to notify a client that a massage therapist is operating under a provisional license prior to receiving services.
3. Add a sunset date of Dec. 31, 2025.
4. Make technical changes.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Provide that a provisionally licensed massage therapist may only work at a facility that employs a massage therapist licensed pursuant to the existing licensure provisions.
2. Make technical corrections.