

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 420 (SB 286)

2022 Regular Session

Luneau

Existing law provides rules regarding licensure, qualifications, and exemptions for persons engaged in the practice of massage therapy.

Existing law requires applicants for a massage therapist license to pay the application fee and submit evidence satisfactory to the La. Board of Massage Therapy that the applicant has satisfactorily completed a minimum 500-hour in-class supervised course of studies pursuant to rules promulgated by the board in accordance with the APA.

New law retains existing law but requires that the minimum 500 hours of massage therapy techniques and clinical practicum be earned through in-person, in-class, instructor-supervised learning. New law further provides that hours above the required minimum 500 hours may be a combination of in-person, in-class, instructor-supervised learning and real-time synchronous distance learning.

New law defines "in-person, in-class, instructor-supervised" learning and "real-time synchronous distance learning".

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Amends R.S. 37:3552(5)-(12) and 3556(A)(1)(a); adds R.S. 37:3552(13) and (14))