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HB 240 Engrossed

2022 Regular Session

Emerson

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

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

<u>Proposed law</u> 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.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires a facility who employees 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 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.