
The original instrument was prepared by Yoursheka George. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Brandi Cannon.

SB 286 Engrossed

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

Present 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 Administrative Procedure Act.

Proposed law retains present law but requires that the minimum 500 hundred hours of massage therapy techniques and clinical practicum be earned through in-person, in-class, instructor-supervised learning. Proposed 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.

Effective August 1, 2022.

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

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill

1. Specifies that the core curriculum hours must be earned through in-person, in-class, instructor-supervised learning.
2. Specifies that excess hours may be earned through real-time synchronous distance learning.
3. Adds definitions.