# SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

### SB 286

### 2022 Regular Session

Luneau

## **KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE**

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS. Provides for licensure and qualifications of massage therapists. (8/1/22)

# SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

- 1. Make technical changes.
- 2. Specify that hours above the required 500 minimum be earned in accordance with the policies prescribed by the Board of Regents.

# DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

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

<u>Present law</u> 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.

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

<u>Proposed law</u> defines "in-person, in-class, instructor-supervised" learning and "real-time synchronous distance learning".

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

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