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Massage Therapy Amendments 2025 GENERAL SESSION STATE OF UTAH Chief Sponsor:

2 3 LONG TITLE 4 **General Description:** 5 This bill modifies licensing requirements for practicing massage therapy, including creating 6 a registration requirement for massage therapy establishments. 7 **Highlighted Provisions:** 8 This bill: 9 defines terms; 10 adds a licensure requirement for an individual who provides hands-on training for 11 massage therapy or limited massage therapy; 12 provides the circumstances under which an individual must practice massage therapy in 13 a registered massage establishment; 14 requires all the education hours necessary for licensure come from either a massage 15 school or a massage apprenticeship; 16 provides for the expiration and renewal of massage apprentice and massage 17 assistant-in-training licenses; 18 specifies identification, signage, and disclosure requirements; 19 creates standards for unlawful and unprofessional conduct by a massage establishment; 20 establishes penalties for a massage establishment that engages in unlawful or 21 unprofessional conduct; 22 • creates a registration requirement for certain establishments where massage therapy is 23 provided; 24 specifies when an establishment can be denied registration; 25 specifies requirements for a criminal background check for massage establishment 26 owners; 27 specifies standards for the expiration and renewal of a massage establishment 28 registration; 29 allows the Division of Professional Licensing to inspect a massage establishment; 30 • establishes standards for the inspection of a registered establishment; 31 provides exemptions from licensure and registration requirements;

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32	 schedules the repeal of provisions related to a massage assistant and massage
33	assistant-in-training; and
34	 makes technical changes.
35	Money Appropriated in this Bill:
36	None
37	Other Special Clauses:
38	None
39	Utah Code Sections Affected:
40	AMENDS:
41	58-47b-102, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 507
42	58-47b-301, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 225
43	58-47b-302, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 137
44	58-47b-303, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 225
45	58-47b-304, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 455
46	58-47b-305, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 225
47	58-47b-306, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 225
48	58-47b-401, as enacted by Laws of Utah 1996, Chapter 76
49	58-47b-501, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 225
50	58-47b-502, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 225
51	58-47b-503, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 309
52	63I-1-258, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Third Special Session, Chapter
53	ENACTS:
54	58-47b-301.1 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
55	58-47b-302.2 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
56	58-47b-303.1 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
57	58-47b-304.1 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
58	58-47b-306.1, Utah Code Annotated 1953
59	58-47b-307.1 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
60	58-47b-401.1 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
61	58-47b-501.1 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
62	58-47b-502.1 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
63	58-47b-503.1, Utah Code Annotated 1953
64	58-47b-504 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
65	58-47b-601 , Utah Code Annotated 1953

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1	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
	Section 1. Section 58-47b-102 is amended to read:
	58-47b-102 . Definitions.
	In addition to the definitions in Section 58-1-102, as used in this chapter:
((1) "Board" means the Board of Massage Therapy and Acupuncture created in Section
	58-47b-201.
((2)(a) "Breast" means the female mammary gland. [and]
	(b) <u>"Breast"</u> does not include the muscles, connective tissue, or other soft tissue of the
	upper chest.
((3) "Homeostasis" means [maintaining, stabilizing] the maintenance, the stabilization, or [
	returning] the return of the muscular system to equilibrium [the muscular system].
((4) "Massage apprentice" means an individual licensed under this chapter as a massage
	apprentice to engage in the practice of massage therapy under the direct supervision of a
	massage therapy supervisor.
((5) "Massage assistant" means an individual licensed under this chapter as a massage
	assistant to engage in the practice of limited massage therapy under the indirect
	supervision of:
	(a) before June 1, 2027, a massage therapist[-]; or
	(b) beginning June 1, 2027, a massage therapy supervisor.
((6) ["Massage assistant in-training"] "Massage assistant-in-training" means an individual
	licensed under this chapter as a [massage assistant in-training] massage
	assistant-in-training to engage in the practice of limited massage therapy under the direct
	supervision of a massage therapy supervisor.
((7)(a) "Massage establishment" means a place where services within the practice of
	massage therapy or the practice of limited massage therapy are provided by one or
	more individuals required to be licensed under this chapter.
	(b) "Massage establishment" does not include:
	(i) all locations used by a sole practitioner to practice massage therapy;
	(ii) an out-call location; or
	(iii) a massage school.
[(7) (8) "Massage therapist" means an individual licensed under this chapter as a massage
_	therapist to engage in the practice of massage therapy.
[[(8)] (9) "Massage therapy supervisor" means[:

100	[(a)] a licensed massage therapist in good standing who has [at least three years of
101	experience as a massage therapist and has]engaged in the lawful practice of massage
102	therapy for at least 3,000 hours[;] .
103	[(b) a physical therapist licensed under Chapter 24b, Physical Therapy Practice Act;]
104	[(c) a physician licensed under Chapter 67, Utah Medical Practice Act;]
105	[(d) an osteopathic physician licensed under Chapter 68, Utah Osteopathic Medical
106	Practice Act;]
107	[(e) an acupuncturist licensed under Chapter 72, Acupuncture Licensing Act; or]
108	[(f) a chiropractic physician licensed under Chapter 73, Chiropractic Physician Practice
109	Act.]
110	(10) "Out-call location" means a location:
111	(a) where massage therapy services are provided; and
112	(b) that a sole practitioner or a massage establishment does not own, lease, or rent.
113	(11)(a) "Owner" means an individual who controls the operation of a massage
114	establishment.
115	(b) <u>"Owner" includes:</u>
116	(i) a shareholder, as defined in Section 16-10a-102, who owns, directly or indirectly
117	through an entity controlled by the individual, any of the outstanding shares of an
118	entity that owns, leases, or otherwise operates a massage establishment that:
119	(A) is a corporation; or
120	(B) is not publicly listed or traded;
121	(ii) an individual who owns, directly or indirectly through an entity controlled by the
122	individual, any part of an entity that is not a corporation and that owns, leases, or
123	otherwise operates a massage establishment;
124	(iii) an individual:
125	(A) in whose name a certificate of occupancy has been issued for a massage
126	establishment; or
127	(B) that operates a massage establishment under a lease, operating agreement,
128	franchise, or other arrangement; and
129	(iv) a sublessee or other legal possessor.
130	[(9)] (12)(a) "Practice of limited massage therapy" means:
131	(i) the systematic manual manipulation of the soft tissue of the body for the purpose
132	of promoting the therapeutic health and well-being of a client, enhancing the
133	circulation of the blood and lymph, relaxing and lengthening muscles, relieving

134	pain, restoring metabolic balance, relaxation, or achieving homeostasis;
135	(ii) seated chair massage;
136	(iii) the use of body wraps;
137	(iv) aromatherapy;
138	(v) reflexology; or
139	(vi) in connection with an activity described in this Subsection [(9)] (12), the use of:
140	(A) the hands;
141	(B) a towel;
142	(C) a stone;
143	(D) a shell;
144	(E) a bamboo stick; or
145	(F) an herbal ball compress.
146	(b) "Practice of limited massage therapy" does not include:
147	(i) work on an acute or subacute injury; or
148	(ii) a practice described in this section to the extent the practice:
149	(A) treats a medically diagnosed condition; or
150	(B) results from a referral or prescription from a licensed health care practitioner,
151	including a physician, osteopathic physician, advanced practice registered
152	nurse, chiropractic physician, or physician's assistant.
153	[(b) "Practice of limited massage therapy" does not include work on an acute or
154	subacute injury.]
155	[(10)] (13)(a) "Practice of massage therapy" means:
156	[(a)] (i) the examination, assessment, and evaluation of the soft tissue structures of the
157	body for the purpose of devising a treatment plan to promote homeostasis;
158	[(b)] (ii) the systematic manual or mechanical manipulation of the soft tissue of the
159	body for the purpose of promoting the therapeutic health and well-being of a
160	client, enhancing the circulation of the blood and lymph, relaxing and lengthening
161	muscles, relieving pain, restoring metabolic balance, or achieving homeostasis, or
162	for any other purpose;
163	[(e)] (iii) the use of the hands or a mechanical or electrical apparatus in connection
164	with this Subsection $[(10)]$ (13);
165	[(d)] (iv) the use of rehabilitative procedures involving the soft tissue of the body;
166	[(e)] (v) range of motion or movements without spinal adjustment as set forth in
167	Section 58-73-102;

168	[(f)] (vi) the use of oil rubs, heat lamps, salt glows, hot and cold packs, or tub, shower,
169	steam, and cabinet baths;
170	[(g)] (vii) manual traction and stretching exercise;
171	[(h)] (viii) correction of muscular distortion by treatment of the soft tissues of the
172	body;
173	[(i)] (ix) counseling, education, and other advisory services to reduce the incidence
174	and severity of physical disability, movement dysfunction, and pain;
175	[(i)] (x) activities and modality techniques similar or related to the activities and
176	techniques described in this Subsection [(10)] (13);
177	[(k)] (xi) a practice described in this Subsection $[(10)-]$ (13) on an animal to the extent
178	permitted by:
179	[(i)] (A) Subsection 58-28-307(12);
180	[(ii)] (B) the provisions of this chapter; and
181	[(iii)] (C) division rule made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah
182	Administrative Rulemaking Act; or
183	[(+)] (xii) providing, offering, or advertising a paid service using the term massage or a
184	derivative of the word massage, regardless of whether the service includes
185	physical contact.
186	(b) <u>"Practice of massage therapy" includes the practice of limited massage therapy.</u>
187	(14) "Registered massage establishment" means a massage establishment that is registered
188	with the division to lawfully provide services within the practice of massage therapy or
189	the practice of limited massage therapy at a single, fixed massage establishment location
190	in this state.
191	[(11)] (15) "Soft tissue" means the muscles and related connective tissue.
192	(16) "Sole practitioner" means a licensed massage therapist who offers the services of
193	massage therapy from:
194	(a) an out-call location;
195	(b) the licensee's residence, if the licensee does not employ or contract with another
196	individual licensed under this chapter; or
197	(c) a location, other than the licensee's residence, that the licensee owns, rents, or leases,
198	if the licensee does not employ or contract with any other individual regardless of
199	licensure.
200	[(12)] (17) "Unlawful conduct" means the same as that term is defined in Sections 58-1-501,
201	<u>58-1-501.1, [-and-]</u> 58-47b-501, and <u>58-47b-501.1</u> .

202	[(12)] (19) "Illumrefessional conduct" means the same as that term is defined in Sections
202	[(13)] (18) "Unprofessional conduct" means the same as that term is defined in Sections
203	58-1-501,[-and] 58-47b-502, and 58-47b-502.1 and as may be further defined by
204	division rule made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative
205	Rulemaking Act.
206	Section 2. Section 58-47b-301 is amended to read:
207	58-47b-301 . Licensure required Individuals.
208	(1) An individual shall hold a license issued under this chapter [in order] to engage in the
209	practice of massage therapy or the practice of limited massage therapy, except as
210	specifically provided in Section 58-1-307 or 58-47b-304.
211	(2) An individual who provides hands-on training in the practice of massage therapy or the
212	practice of limited massage therapy shall:
213	(a)(i) hold a license in good standing as a massage therapist; and
214	(ii) have engaged in the lawful practice of massage therapy as a licensed massage
215	therapist for at least 3,000 hours; or
216	(b) be exempt from licensing under Subsections 58-47b-304(1)(a) through (k) or
217	Subsection 58-47b-304(1)(1)(i).
218	[(2)] (3) An individual shall have a license [in order] to:
219	(a) represent oneself as a massage therapist, massage apprentice, massage assistant, or [
220	massage assistant in-training] massage assistant-in-training;
221	(b)(i) represent oneself as providing a service that is within the practice of massage
222	therapy or the practice of limited massage therapy; or
223	(ii) use the word massage or any other word to describe the services; [or]
224	(c) charge or receive a fee or any consideration for providing a service that is within the
225	practice of massage therapy or the practice of limited massage therapy[-] ; or
226	(d) unless exempted from licensure under Section 58-47b-304, charge or receive a fee or
227	any consideration for providing hands-on training in a service that is within the
228	practice of massage therapy or the practice of limited massage therapy.
229	(4)(a) An individual licensed under this chapter, other than a sole practitioner, may
230	work as a massage therapist, a massage apprentice, a massage assistant, or a massage
231	assistant-in-training only in:
232	(i) a registered massage establishment;
233	(ii) an out-call location; or
234	(iii) a location exempted from registration under Section 58-47-304.1.
235	(b) A sole practitioner may work as a massage therapist at:

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236 (i) the sole practitioner's residence; 237 (ii) an out-call location; or 238 (iii) another location if the sole practitioner does not employ or contract with any 239 other individual regardless of licensure. 240 Section 3. Section 58-47b-301.1 is enacted to read: 241 58-47b-301.1. Massage establishment registration required -- Maintenance of 242 registration. 243 (1) An owner shall register a massage establishment with the division. 244 (2)(a) Each place of business shall register separately. 245 (b) If multiple massage establishments exist at the same address, each massage 246 establishment shall register separately. 247 (3) A massage establishment shall provide the physical address where the massage 248 establishment operates to the division. 249 (4) Unless exempted under Section 58-47b-304.1, a massage establishment may not allow for the practice of massage therapy or the practice of limited massage therapy on the 250 251 massage establishment's premises unless the massage establishment is registered in 252 accordance with this section. 253 (5)(a) A registered massage establishment shall employ or contract with a licensee 254 under this chapter, or an individual exempted under this chapter, to perform massage 255 therapy or other massage services. 256 (b) A registered massage establishment shall maintain documentation of the employment 257 or contract relationship and make the documentation available during an inspection 258 or investigation by the division. (6) An owner may not assign or transfer a massage establishment registration. 259 260 (7) Upon the sale, sublease, or change of legal possession of a registered massage 261 establishment, the owner, lessee, or legal possessor of the massage establishment shall 262 apply for and obtain a new registration within 30 days after the day on which the 263 ownership, lessee, or legal possession changes. 264 (8) Whenever statute or rule requires or prohibits action by a registered massage establishment, any owner of the registered massage establishment is responsible for all 265 266 activities of the registered massage establishment, regardless of the form of the business 267 organization. 268 (9) A registered massage establishment shall maintain a log of all massage therapy services 269 provided at the registered massage establishment containing information as determined

270	by the division in rule made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah
271	Administrative Rulemaking Act.
272	Section 4. Section 58-47b-302 is amended to read:
273	58-47b-302 . License classifications Qualifications for licensure Individuals.
274	(1) The division shall issue licenses under this chapter in the classifications of:
275	(a) massage therapist;
276	(b) massage apprentice;
277	(c) massage assistant; and
278	(d) [massage assistant in-training] massage assistant-in-training.
279	(2) An applicant for licensure as a massage therapist shall:
280	(a) submit an application in a form [prescribed by] the division approves;
281	(b) pay a fee determined by the department under Section 63J-1-504;
282	(c) be 18 years old or older;
283	(d) have [either]:
284	(i)(A) graduated from a school of massage having a curriculum that meets
285	standards established by division rule made in collaboration with the board and
286	in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking
287	Act; or
288	(B) completed equivalent education and training in compliance with division rule
289	made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative
290	Rulemaking Act; or
291	(ii) completed a massage apprenticeship program consisting of a minimum of 1,000
292	hours of supervised training and in accordance with standards established by
293	division rule made in collaboration with the board and in accordance with Title
294	63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act; and
295	(e) pass:
296	(i) the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards Massage and Bodywork
297	Licensing Examination; or
298	(ii) any other examination established by division rule made in collaboration with the
299	board and in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative
300	Rulemaking Act.
301	(3) An applicant for licensure as a massage apprentice shall:
302	(a) submit an application in a form [prescribed by] the division approves;
303	(b) pay a fee determined by the department under Section 63J-1-504;

304	(c) be 18 years old or older;
305	(d) provide satisfactory evidence to the division that the applicant will practice as a
306	massage apprentice only under the direct supervision of a [licensed massage therapist]
307	massage therapy supervisor[in good standing who, for at least 6,000 hours, has
308	engaged in the lawful practice of massage therapy as a licensed massage therapist];
309	and
310	(e) pass an examination as required by division rule made in accordance with Title 63G,
311	Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act.
312	(4)(a) An applicant for licensure as a massage assistant shall:
313	(i) submit an application in a form [prescribed by] the division <u>approves;</u>
314	(ii) pay a fee determined by the department in accordance with Section 63J-1-504;
315	(iii) be 18 years old or older;
316	(iv) subject to Subsection (4)(b), complete at least 300 hours of education and
317	training approved by division rule made accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3,
318	Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act;
319	(v) provide satisfactory evidence to the division that the applicant will <u>only</u> practice
320	as a massage assistant [only] under the indirect supervision of a massage therapy
321	supervisor; and
322	(vi) pass an examination as required by division rule made in accordance with Title
323	63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act.
324	(b) The 300-hour education and training requirement described in Subsection (4)(a) shall
325	include:
326	(i) at least [150] 300 hours of education and training while the applicant is[:] enrolled
327	in massage school; or
328	[(A) enrolled in massage school; or]
329	[(B) licensed as a massage assistant in-training and under the direct supervision
330	of a massage therapist in good standing who, for at least 6,000 hours, has
331	engaged in the lawful practice of massage therapy; and]
332	(ii) at least [150] 300 hours of education and training while the applicant is[:] licensed
333	as a massage assistant-in-training and under the direct supervision of a massage
334	therapy supervisor.
335	[(A) enrolled in massage school; or]
336	[(B) licensed as a massage assistant in-training and under the indirect supervision
337	of a massage therapist in good standing who, for at least 6,000 hours, has

338	engaged in the lawful practice of massage therapy.]
339	(5) An applicant for licensure as a [massage assistant in-training] massage
340	assistant-in-training shall:
341	(a) submit an application in a form [prescribed by] the division approves;
342	(b) pay a fee determined by the department in accordance with Section 63J-1-504;
343	(c) be 18 years old or older; and
344	(d)(i) before June 1, 2027, provide satisfactory evidence to the division that the
345	applicant will practice as a [massage assistant in-training] massage
346	assistant-in-training under the supervision of a massage therapist for a period of
347	no more than six months for the purpose of satisfying the requirements described
348	in [Subsections] Subsection (4)(a)(iv) [and (4)(b)] for licensure as a massage
349	assistant[-] <u>; or</u>
350	(ii) beginning June 1, 2027, provide satisfactory evidence to the division that the
351	applicant will practice as a massage assistant-in-training under the supervision of
352	a massage therapy supervisor for the purpose of satisfying the requirements
353	described in Subsection (4)(a)(iv) for licensure as a massage assistant.
354	(6)(a)(i) A massage therapist may supervise at one time up to six individuals
355	licensed as a massage apprentice or [massage assistant in-training] a massage
356	assistant-in-training.
357	(ii) Beginning June 1, 2027:
358	(A) a massage therapy supervisor shall supervise a massage apprentice or a
359	massage assistant-in-training; and
360	(B) a massage therapy supervisor may supervise at one time up to three
361	individuals licensed as either a massage apprentice or a massage
362	assistant-in-training.
363	(b) A massage therapy supervisor may supervise at one time up to six individuals
364	licensed as a massage assistant.
365	(7) A new massage therapist, massage apprentice, massage assistant, or massage assistant
366	in-training applicant shall submit to and pass a criminal background check in accordance
367	with Section [58-47b-302.1] 58-47b-307 and any requirements established by division
368	rule made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking
369	Act.
370	Section 5. Section 58-47b-302.2 is enacted to read:
371	58-47b-302.2 . Qualifications for registration Massage establishments.

372	(1)(a) The owner of the massage establishment shall register the massage establishment.
373	(b) If the massage establishment has multiple owners, the owners of the massage
374	establishment shall choose one owner to register the massage establishment.
375	(2) To register a massage establishment, the owner shall:
376	(a) submit an application in a form the division approves;
377	(b) pay a fee determined by the department under Section 63J-1-504; and
378	(c) provide satisfactory documentation:
379	(i) of registration with the Division of Corporations and Commercial Code;
380	(ii) of business licensure from the city, town, or county in which the massage
381	establishment is located;
382	(iii) that the massage establishment's physical facilities comply with the requirements
383	established by rule; and
384	(iv) of each owner's ownership or right to possession of the premises where the
385	massage establishment will be operated;
386	(d) unless a background check was previously completed by the Utah Bureau of
387	Criminal Identification and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, submit fingerprint
388	cards in a form acceptable to the division when filing the application;
389	(e) consent to a fingerprint background check by the Utah Bureau of Criminal
390	Identification and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, including the use of the FBI
391	Rap Back System, for all individuals for whom a fingerprint card is required by
392	Subsection (2)(f):
393	(f) submit fingerprints for each individual who:
394	(i) personally or constructively holds, including as the beneficiary of a trust:
395	(A) at least 10% of the entity's outstanding stock; or
396	(B) more than \$25,000 of the fair market value of the entity;
397	(ii) has a direct or indirect participating interest through shares, stock, or otherwise,
398	regardless of whether voting rights are included, of more than 10% of the profits,
399	proceeds, or capital gains of the entity;
400	(iii) is a member of the board of directors or other governing body of the entity; or
401	(iv) serves as:
402	(A) an elected officer of the entity; or
403	(B) a general manager of the entity;
404	(g) submit the following information for each individual for whom fingerprints are
405	required by Subsection (2)(f):

406	(i) full name;
407	(ii) any other name used;
408	(iii) date of birth;
409	(iv) social security number or other satisfactory evidence of the applicant's identity
410	permitted by rule made by the division in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3,
411	Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act;
412	(v) address;
413	(vi) phone number;
414	(vii) email address;
415	(viii) license number, if licensed under this chapter; and
416	(ix) a recent color photograph of each owner;
417	(h) allow the Department of Commerce to verify that the applicant and each individual
418	listed in Subsection (2)(f), is legally present in the United States;
419	(i) submit a signed attestation in a form the division approves by rule attesting that the
420	massage establishment does not engage in illegal activities including human
421	trafficking, sex advertising, or unlicensed practice; and
422	(j) meet with the division or board if requested by the division or board.
423	(3) The division may require an owner to prove continuing right of possession at any time
424	during the registration period.
425	Section 6. Section 58-47b-303 is amended to read:
426	58-47b-303 . Term of license Expiration Renewal Individuals.
427	(1)(a) Except as provided in Subsection (3), the division shall issue a license under this
428	chapter in accordance with a two-year renewal cycle established by division rule
429	made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act.
430	(b) [A] The division may extend or shorten a renewal period [may be extended or
431	shortened]by as much as one year to maintain established renewal cycles or to
432	change an established renewal cycle.
433	(2) Subject to Subsection (3), a license automatically expires on the expiration date shown
434	on the license unless [renewed by the licensee] the licensee renews the license in
435	accordance with Section 58-1-308.
436	(3)(a) A massage apprentice license expires 24 months after the day on which the
437	division issues the massage apprentice license.
438	(b) A massage [assistant in-training] assistant-in-training license expires six months after
439	the day on which the division issues the [massage assistant in-training] massage

440	assistant-in-training license.
441	(c) The division may not renew or extend a massage apprentice or massage
442	assistant-in-training license unless:
443	(i) a circumstance or hardship arose beyond the licensee's control that prevented the
444	licensee from completing the licensure process;
445	(ii) the licensee presents satisfactory evidence to the division that the licensee is
446	making reasonable progress toward obtaining licensure in the state;
447	(iii) the division grants the renewal or extension for a period proportionate to the
448	circumstance or hardship; and
449	(iv) the licensee's massage therapy supervisor consents in writing to the renewal or
450	extension.
451	(4) At the time of renewal, the licensee shall show satisfactory evidence of renewal
452	requirements established under this chapter and of renewal requirements that the
453	division may establish by rule made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah
454	Administrative Rulemaking Act.
455	Section 7. Section 58-47b-303.1 is enacted to read:
456	58-47b-303.1 . Term of registration Expiration Renewal Massage
457	establishments.
457 458	establishments. (1)(a) Except as provided in Subsection (3), the division shall issue a registration under
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458 459	(1)(a) Except as provided in Subsection (3), the division shall issue a registration under this chapter in accordance with a two-year renewal cycle.
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458 459 460 461	 (1)(a) Except as provided in Subsection (3), the division shall issue a registration under this chapter in accordance with a two-year renewal cycle. (b) The division may extend or shorten a renewal period by as much as one year to maintain established renewal cycles or to change an established renewal cycle.
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458 459 460 461 462 463	 (1)(a) Except as provided in Subsection (3), the division shall issue a registration under this chapter in accordance with a two-year renewal cycle. (b) The division may extend or shorten a renewal period by as much as one year to maintain established renewal cycles or to change an established renewal cycle. (2) A registration automatically expires on the expiration date shown on the registration unless the registrant renews.
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474	(a) a physician or surgeon licensed under Chapter 67, Utah Medical Practice Act;
475	(b) a physician assistant licensed under Chapter 70a, Utah Physician Assistant Act;
476	(c) a nurse licensed under Chapter 31b, Nurse Practice Act, or under Chapter 44a, Nurse
477	Midwife Practice Act;
478	(d) a physical therapist licensed under Chapter 24b, Physical Therapy Practice Act;
479	(e) a physical therapist assistant licensed under Chapter 24b, Physical Therapy Practice
480	Act, while under the general supervision of a physical therapist;
481	(f) an osteopathic physician or surgeon licensed under Chapter 68, Utah Osteopathic
482	Medical Practice Act;
483	(g) a chiropractic physician licensed under Chapter 73, Chiropractic Physician Practice
484	Act;
485	(h) a hospital staff member employed by a hospital, who practices massage as part of the
486	staff member's responsibilities;
487	(i) an athletic trainer licensed under Chapter 40a, Athletic Trainer Licensing Act;
488	(j) a student in training enrolled in a massage therapy school approved by the division;
489	(k) a naturopathic physician licensed under Chapter 71, Naturopathic Physician Practice
490	Act;
491	(l)(i) an occupational therapist licensed under Chapter 42a, Occupational Therapy
492	Practice Act; and
493	(ii) an occupational therapy assistant licensed under Chapter 42a, Occupational
494	Therapy Practice Act, while under the general supervision of an occupational
495	therapist;
496	(m) an individual performing animal massage therapy under the rules made by the
497	division in accordance with Subsection 58-28-307(12);
498	(n) an individual performing gratuitous massage; [and]
499	(o) an individual:
500	(i) certified by or through, and in good standing with, an industry organization that is
501	recognized by the division and that represents a profession with established
502	standards and ethics:
503	(A) who is certified to practice reflexology and whose practice is limited to the
504	scope of practice of reflexology;
505	(B) who is certified to practice a type of zone therapy, including foot zone
506	therapy, and whose practice is limited to the scope of practice for which the
507	individual is certified;

508	(C) who is certified to practice ortho-bionomy and whose practice is limited to the
509	scope of practice of ortho-bionomy;
510	(D) who is certified to practice bowenwork and whose practice is limited to the
511	scope of practice of bowenwork; or
512	(E) who is certified to practice a type of brain integration and whose practice is
513	limited to the scope of practice for which the individual is certified;
514	(ii) whose clients remain fully clothed from the shoulders to the knees; and
515	(iii) whose clients do not receive gratuitous massage from the individual[-] ; and
516	(p)(i) a nonresident individual engaging in the practice of massage therapy who:
517	(A) holds a valid license, permit, certificate, or registration, for massage therapy
518	issued by any other jurisdiction of the United States or by a foreign country;
519	(B) holds a certification from a nationally recognized massage therapy
520	organization if the nonresident individual is from a jurisdiction of the United
521	States that does not regulate massage therapy; or
522	(C) meets another exemption under this section; and
523	(ii) is temporarily engaging in the practice of massage therapy in this state for a
524	period that does not exceed 30 days for the purpose of:
525	(A) presenting educational or clinical programs, lectures, seminars, or workshops;
526	(B) providing massage services during an emergency as part of a disaster response
527	team; or
528	(C) consulting with a massage therapist regarding massage practices or services.
529	(2) An individual described in Subsection (1) may not represent oneself as a massage
530	therapist, massage apprentice, massage assistant, or [massage assistant in-training]
531	massage assistant-in-training.
532	(3) This chapter may not be construed to:
533	(a) authorize any individual licensed under this chapter to engage in any manner in the
534	practice of medicine as defined by the laws of this state;
535	(b) require insurance coverage or reimbursement for massage therapy or limited massage
536	therapy from third party payors; or
537	(c) prevent an insurance carrier from offering coverage for massage therapy or limited
538	massage therapy.
539	Section 9. Section 58-47b-304.1 is enacted to read:
540	58-47b-304.1 . Exemptions from registration Massage establishments.
541	The following establishments or facilities are exempt from registering as massage

542	establishments:
543	(1) hospitals or medical clinics;
544	(2) physician offices;
545	(3) physical therapy facilities;
546	(4) chiropractic offices;
547	(5) athletic training facilities or institutions of secondary or higher education when massage
548	therapy is practiced in connection with employment related to athletic teams; and
549	(6) other facilities as defined by rule.
550	Section 10. Section 58-47b-305 is amended to read:
551	58-47b-305 . State and local jurisdiction.
552	(1)(a) The division is the only agency authorized to license individuals to engage in the
553	practice of massage therapy or the practice of limited massage therapy within the
554	state or any of the state's political subdivisions.
555	(b) This chapter does not prevent any political subdivision of the state from enacting:
556	(i) <u>subject to Subsection (1)(b)(ii)</u> , ordinances governing the operation of
557	establishments offering massages; or
558	(ii) ordinances regulating the practice of massage therapy or the practice of limited
559	massage therapy[,] if:
560	(A) [-] except as provided in Subsection (1)(b)(ii)(B), the ordinances are [not less]
561	at least as stringent [than] as this chapter[-] ; and
562	(B) the ordinances do not require background checks prohibited by Section
563	<u>58-47b-307.</u>
564	(2) This chapter does not prohibit any political subdivision of the state from prosecuting:
565	(a) an unlicensed individual who is engaged in the practice of massage therapy or the
566	practice of limited massage therapy;[-or]
567	(b) a licensed individual[-who] or a registered massage establishment that is engaged in
568	unlawful conduct[-] <u>;or</u>
569	(c) conduct by any person that is defined as unlawful under this chapter, including
570	aiding or abetting any other person to violate any statute or rule regulating a
571	profession under this chapter.
572	Section 11. Section 58-47b-306 is amended to read:
573	58-47b-306 . Required identification and disclosures Individuals.
574	[(1) As used in this section, "massage establishment" means an establishment in which an
575	individual lawfully engages in the practice of massage therapy or the practice of limited

576	massage therapy.]
577	[(2) If a massage assistant or massage assistant in-training engages in the practice of
578	limited massage therapy at a massage establishment, the massage establishment shall
579	prominently display to the public a sign that indicates certain massage services offered
580	at the massage establishment are performed by a massage assistant or a massage
581	assistant in-training.]
582	[(3)] (1)(a) If the licensee is a licensed massage apprentice, a licensed massage assistant,
583	or a licensed massage assistant-in-training, the licensee shall obtain from the client a
584	completed and signed intake form before the licensee provides a service regulated by
585	this chapter.
586	(b) The division may further define the intake form by rule made in accordance with
587	Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act.
588	(2) A massage apprentice, a massage assistant, or a massage assistant-in-training
589	licensed under this chapter, while engaging in the practice of massage therapy:
590	(a) shall wear an identification badge showing the licensee's name, license classification,
591	and license number; and
592	(b) may not identify to any person in connection with activities allowed under this
593	chapter other than as the individual's license classification.
594	(3) If an individual requests a massage service that is performed by a massage apprentice, a
595	massage assistant, or a [massage assistant in-training] massage assistant-in-training, the
596	licensee performing or the massage therapy supervisor supervising the massage service
597	shall ensure that the individual is notified before scheduling or agreeing to the massage
598	service that the massage service is performed by a massage apprentice, a massage
599	assistant, or [massage assistant in-training] a massage assistant-in-training.
600	Section 12. Section 58-47b-306.1 is enacted to read:
601	58-47b-306.1 . Required signage and disclosures Massage establishments.
602	A massage establishment shall display prominently:
603	(1) the massage establishment registration;
604	(2) a copy of the state issued license for each licensee licensed under this chapter and
605	contracted with or employed by the establishment;
606	(3) Division of Professional Licensing resources required by rule; and
607	(4) a sign that states some massage services offered at the massage establishment are
608	performed by a massage apprentice, a massage assistant, or a massage
609	assistant-in-training if the massage establishment employs or contracts with a massage

610	apprentice, a massage assistant, or a massage assistant-in-training.
611	Section 13. Section 58-47b-307.1 is enacted to read:
612	58-47b-307.1 . Criminal background checks Massage establishments.
613	(1) Each applicant for registration in accordance with Section 58-47b-301.1:
614	(a) shall submit an application in a form the division approves;
615	(b) shall pay a fee determined by the department under Section 63J-1-504;
616	(c) may not have been convicted of a crime under Section 76-5-4;
617	(d) shall submit to and pass a background check in accordance with this section and
618	requirements the division establishes by rule made in accordance with Title 63G,
619	Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act; and
620	(e) shall meet with the division if requested.
621	(2) Each applicant shall submit, for all individuals described in Subsection
622	58-47b-302.2(2)(f), the information described in Section 58-47b-302.2.
623	(3) The division shall:
624	(a) in addition to other fees authorized by this chapter, collect from each applicant
625	submitting fingerprints in accordance with this section:
626	(i) the fee, for each set of fingerprints, that the Bureau of Criminal Identification is
627	authorized to collect for the services provided under Section 53-10-108; and
628	(ii) the fee, for each set of fingerprints, charged by the Federal Bureau of
629	Investigation for fingerprint processing for the purpose of obtaining federal
630	criminal history record information;
631	(b) submit, from each individual who requires a background check under Subsection
632	58-47b-302.2(2)(f), the fingerprint card and the fees described in Subsection (3)(a) to
633	the Bureau of Criminal Identification; and
634	(c) obtain and retain in division records, from each individual who requires a
635	background check under Subsection 58-47b-302.2(2)(f), a signed waiver approved by
636	the Bureau of Criminal Identification in accordance with Section 53-10-108.
637	(4) In accordance with the requirements of Section 53-10-108, the Bureau of Criminal
638	Identification shall:
639	(a) check the fingerprints submitted under this section against the applicable state and
640	regional criminal records databases;
641	(b) forward the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal
642	history background check; and
643	(c) provide the results from the state, regional, and nationwide criminal history

644	background checks to the division.
645	(5) For purposes of conducting the criminal background check required in this section, the
646	division shall have direct access to criminal background information maintained under
647	Title 53, Chapter 10, Part 2, Bureau of Criminal Identification.
648	(6) The division may not disseminate outside of the division any criminal history record
649	information that the division obtains from the Bureau of Criminal Identification or the
650	Federal Bureau of Investigation under the criminal background check requirements of
651	this section.
652	(a) A new registration issued under this section is conditional, pending completion of the
653	criminal background checks.
654	(b)(i) Notwithstanding Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act, if the
655	criminal background check required in this section discloses that the applicant or
656	any individual required to be fingerprinted has failed to accurately disclose a
657	criminal history, the registration is automatically revoked upon notice to the
658	applicant by the division.
659	(ii) An owner that has a massage establishment's conditional registration revoked
660	under this Subsection (6)(b) is entitled to a postrevocation hearing to challenge the
661	revocation.
662	(iii) The division shall conduct a postrevocation hearing in accordance with Title
663	63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act.
664	Section 14. Section 58-47b-401 is amended to read:
665	58-47b-401 . Grounds for denial of license Individuals.
666	[Grounds] If there are grounds in accordance with Section 58-1-401, the division
667	may take [for] the following actions regarding a license for an individual under
668	this chapter[-are in accordance with Section 58-1-401]:
669	(1) refusal to issue a license to an applicant;
670	(2) refusal to renew the license of a licensee;
671	(3) revocation, suspension, restriction, or placement on probation of a license;
672	(4) issuance of a public or private reprimand to a licensee; and
673	(5) issuance of a cease and desist order.
674	Section 15. Section 58-47b-401.1 is enacted to read:
675	58-47b-401.1 . Grounds for denial of registration Massage establishments.
676	The division shall deny an application for registration under this chapter if:
677	(1) the location where the registration is applied for has had a similar registration revoked

678	or surrendered for cause within the last two years;
679	(2) the application is for a location that has advertised in a manner that reasonably implies
680	sexual services are offered at the location;
681	(3) within two years before the date of the application, an owner had a previous license or
682	registration issued under this chapter suspended or revoked; or
683	(4) an owner has a criminal conviction or pending criminal charges for any crime under
684	Title 76, Chapter 5, Part 4, Sexual Offenses.
685	Section 16. Section 58-47b-501 is amended to read:
686	58-47b-501 . Unlawful conduct Individuals.
687	(1) "Unlawful conduct"[-] for an individual includes:
688	(a) practicing, engaging in, or attempting to practice or engage in the practice of
689	massage therapy without holding a current license as a massage therapist or a
690	massage apprentice under this chapter;
691	(b) advertising or representing oneself as engaging in the practice of massage therapy
692	when not licensed to do so;
693	(c) practicing, engaging in, or attempting to practice or engage in the practice of limited
694	massage therapy without holding a current license as a massage therapist, massage
695	apprentice, massage assistant, or [massage assistant in-training] massage
696	assistant-in-training under this chapter;
697	(d) advertising or representing oneself as engaging in the practice of limited massage
698	therapy when not licensed to do so; and
699	(e) massaging, touching, or applying any instrument or device by a licensee in the course
700	of engaging in the practice of massage therapy or the practice of limited massage
701	therapy to the:
702	(i) genitals;
703	(ii) anus; or
704	(iii) except as provided in Subsection (2), breasts of a female [patron] client.
705	(2)(a) Subsection (1)(e)(iii) does not apply if a female [patron] client:
706	(i) requests breast massage, as may be further defined by division rule made in
707	accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act; and
708	(ii) subject to Subsection (2)(b), signs a written consent form before each time the
709	procedure is performed.
710	(b) If the female [patron] client is a minor, the female [patron's] client's parent or legal
711	guardian shall sign the written consent form described in Subsection (2)(a).

712	Section 17. Section 58-47b-501.1 is enacted to read:
713	58-47b-501.1 . Unlawful conduct Massage establishments.
714	"Unlawful conduct" for a massage establishment required to register in
715	accordance with Section 58-47b-301.1 includes:
716	(1) operating without a valid registration;
717	(2) being open for business without a licensee regulated by this chapter on site;
718	(3) permitting the use of a registered massage establishment for housing, sheltering, or
719	harboring any individual;
720	(4) permitting an individual to engage in the practice of massage therapy without a license;
721	(5) permitting a licensee to provide massage services without being fully clothed;
722	(6) permitting a licensee to perform a sexual act or arranging for a sexual act;
723	(7) permitting a licensee or client the use or possession of adult-oriented merchandise while
724	at the registered massage establishment;
725	(8) advertising on a sexually oriented website;
726	(9) advertising services in a manner that may be reasonably construed as sexual in nature;
727	(10) refusing inspection by the Division of Professional Licensing as authorized under
728	Section 58-47b-601;
729	(11) arranging or allowing for any of the unlawful acts described in Section 58-47b-501;
730	(12) failing to immediately report to a local police department any disorderly conduct,
731	sexual acts, or other criminal activity occurring on or within the registered massage
732	establishment's premises; or
733	(13)(a) concealing an individual in the massage establishment;
734	(b) refusing to provide identification to inspectors or law enforcement; or
735	(c) attempting to elude an inspector by leaving the massage establishment or remaining
736	behind locked doors in the massage establishment during an inspection.
737	Section 18. Section 58-47b-502 is amended to read:
738	58-47b-502 . Unprofessional conduct Individuals.
	"Unprofessional conduct" for an individual includes the following and may
740	be further defined by division rule made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3,
741	Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act:
742	(1) maintaining, operating, or assisting in the establishment or operation of any place of
743	business for the purpose of performing the practice of massage therapy or the practice of
744	limited massage therapy without first obtaining a business license, if a license is

required;

746	(2) failing to comply with any applicable ordinances relating to the regulation of massage
747	establishment;
748	(3) failing to comply with all applicable state and local health or sanitation codes;
749	(4) failing of a massage therapist to properly supervise a massage apprentice, massage
750	assistant, or [massage assistant in-training] a massage assistant-in-training;
751	(5) failing to maintain mechanical or electrical equipment in a safe operating condition;
752	(6) failing to adequately monitor [patrons] clients utilizing steam rooms, dry heat cabinets,
753	or water baths;
754	(7) prescribing or administering medicine or drugs;
755	(8) engaging in any act or practice in a professional capacity that is outside of the practice
756	of massage therapy or the practice of limited massage therapy; and
757	(9) engaging in any act or practice in a professional capacity for which the licensee is not
758	competent to perform through training or experience.
759	Section 19. Section 58-47b-502.1 is enacted to read:
760	58-47b-502.1 . Unprofessional conduct Massage establishments.
761	"Unprofessional conduct" for a massage establishment includes the following and
762	may be further defined by division rule made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3,
763	Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act:
764	(1) failing to comply with employee recordkeeping requirements as established in rule;
765	(2) failing to comply with client recordkeeping requirements as established in rule;
766	(3) failing to comply with all applicable state and local health or sanitation codes and
767	requirements as established by rule;
768	(4) failing to comply with facility requirements as established by rule;
769	(5) maintaining, operating, or assisting in the establishment or operation of any place of
770	business for the purpose of performing the practice of massage therapy or the practice of
771	limited massage therapy without first obtaining a business license, if a license is
772	required;
773	(6) failing to comply with any applicable ordinances relating to the regulation of massage
774	establishment;
775	(7) failing to maintain mechanical or electrical equipment in a safe operating condition; and
776	(8) failing to adequately monitor a client utilizing steam rooms, dry heat cabinets, or water
777	baths.
778	Section 20. Section 58-47b-503 is amended to read:
779	58-47b-503 . Penalties Individuals.

780	(1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), [any] an individual who commits an act of
781	unlawful conduct under Section 58-47b-501 is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.
782	(2) Sexual conduct that violates Section 58-47b-501 and Title 76, Utah Criminal Code,
783	shall be subject to the applicable penalties in Title 76, Utah Criminal Code.
784	Section 21. Section 58-47b-503.1 is enacted to read:
785	58-47b-503.1 . Penalties Massage establishments.
786	(1) For acts of unprofessional conduct or unlawful conduct by a massage establishment, the
787	division may:
788	(a) assess administrative penalties; and
789	(b) take any other appropriate administrative action, which may include sending letters
790	of concern to:
791	(i) the municipality in which the massage establishment is located and the police
792	department for the municipality; or
793	(ii) the property owner or manager from which the massage establishment is leasing
794	space.
795	(2) The division shall deposit an administrative penalty imposed in accordance with this
796	section into the General Fund.
797	(3) If a massage establishment has been convicted of violating Section 58-47b-501.1 before
798	an administrative finding of a violation of the same section, the massage establishment
799	may not be assessed an administrative penalty under this chapter for the same incident
800	for which the conviction was obtained.
801	(4)(a) If, upon inspection or investigation, the division concludes that a person has
802	violated the provisions of Chapter 1, Division of Professional Licensing Act, Section
803	58-47b-501, 58-47b-501.1, 58-47b-502, or 58-47b-502.1, or any rule or order issued
804	with respect to these provisions, and that disciplinary action is appropriate, the
805	director or the director's designee from within the division shall:
806	(i) promptly issue a citation to the person according to this chapter and any pertinent
807	rules; and
808	(ii)(A) attempt to negotiate a stipulated settlement; or
809	(B) notify the person to appear before an adjudicative proceeding conducted under
810	Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act.
811	(b)(i) In addition to or in lieu of an administrative penalty, the division may assess a
812	fine in accordance with Subsection (5) to any person that is in violation of the
813	provisions of Chapter 1, Division of Professional Licensing Act, Section

814	58-47b-501 or 58-47b-501.1, or any rule or order issued with respect to these
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815	provisions, as evidenced by an uncontested citation, a stipulated settlement, or a
816	finding of violation in an adjudicative proceeding.
817	(ii) The fine may be in an amount equal to the greater of up to \$10,000 per single
818	violation or up to \$2,000 per day of ongoing violation in accordance with a fine
819	schedule established by rule.
820	(iii) In addition to or in lieu of a fine, the division may order the person to cease and
821	desist from violating the provisions of Chapter 1, Division of Professional
822	Licensing Act, Section 58-47b-501, 58-47b-501.1, or 58-47b-502.1, or any rule or
823	order issued with respect to these provisions.
824	(c) A citation shall:
825	(i) be in writing and describe with particularity the nature of the violation, including
826	a reference to the provision of the chapter, rule, or order alleged to have been
827	violated;
828	(ii) state that the person to which the citation is issued shall notify the division in
829	writing within 20 calendar days of service of the citation in order to contest the
830	citation at a hearing conducted under Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative
831	Procedures Act;
832	(iii) explain the consequences of failure to timely contest the citation or to make
833	payment of any fines assessed by the citation within the time specified in the
834	citation.
835	(d) The division may serve a citation issued under this section, or a copy of each
836	citation, upon any person upon which a summons may be served:
837	(i) in accordance with the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure;
838	(ii) personally or upon the person's agent by a division investigator or by any person
839	specially designated by the director; or
840	(iii) by mail.
841	(e)(i) If, within 20 calendar days after the day of service of a citation, the person to
842	whom the citation is issued fails to request a hearing to contest the citation, the
843	citation becomes the final order of the division and is not subject to further agency
844	review.
845	(ii) The period to contest the citation may be extended by the division for cause.
846	(f) The division shall suspend, revoke, place on probation, or refuse to issue or renew the
847	registration of a registered massage establishment that fails to comply with the
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848	citation after the citation becomes final.
849	(g) Failure of an applicant for registration to comply with a citation after the citation
850	becomes final is a ground for denial of registration.
851	(h) The division may not issue a citation under this section after one year from the date
852	on which the violation that is the subject of the citation is reported to the division.
853	(5)(a) The director may collect a penalty that is not paid by:
854	(i) referring the matter to a collection agency; or
855	(ii) bringing an action in the district court of the county where the person against
856	whom the penalty is imposed resides or in the county where the office of the
857	director is located.
858	(b) A county attorney or the attorney general of the state shall provide legal assistance
859	and advice to the director in an action to collect a penalty.
860	(c) A court shall award reasonable attorney fees and costs to the prevailing party in an
861	action brought by the division to collect a penalty.
862	(6) The division may summarily suspend a registered massage establishment's registration
863	with a hearing to be scheduled within 15 days, under Sections 58-1-108 and 63G-4-502,
864	when the director finds that a pattern of credible facts emerges that the registered
865	massage establishment is attempting to operate a prostitution enterprise, or is engaged in
866	any form of human trafficking whether there is a violation of any other specific law,
867	rule, or code.
868	Section 22. Section 58-47b-504 is enacted to read:
869	58-47b-504 . Renting or leasing to a sole practitioner.
870	A licensee renting or leasing to a sole practitioner may not be held liable for the
871	actions of the sole practitioner so long as the licensee:
872	(1) verifies that the sole practitioner is a licensed massage therapist in good standing in the
873	state of Utah at the time of the rental or lease;
874	(2) verifies that the sole practitioner has a valid business registration with the Department
875	of Commerce; and
876	(3) produces copies of the following for the sole practitioner if requested by the division:
877	(a) Utah state issued massage therapist license;
878	(b) Utah state issued business license; and
879	(c) rental agreement.
880	Section 23. Section 58-47b-601 is enacted to read:
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Part 6. Enforcement

882	<u>58-47b-601</u> . Inspection.
883	(1) For the purpose of verifying compliance with this chapter, the division may enter and
884	inspect the premises of any massage establishment.
885	(2) Before conducting an inspection under Subsection (1), the division shall:
886	(a) give proper identification;
887	(b) request the registration for the massage establishment;
888	(c) describe the nature and purpose of the inspection; and
889	(d) provide upon request, the authority of the division to conduct the inspection and the
890	penalty for refusing to permit the inspection as provided in Section 58-47b-503.1.
891	(3) In conducting an inspection under Subsection (1), the division may, after meeting the
892	requirements of Subsection (2):
893	(a) examine any record, device, equipment, machine, electronic device or media, or area
894	related to the practice of massage therapy or the practice of limited massage therapy
895	for the purpose of verifying compliance with the applicable provisions of this chapter;
896	(b) reproduce any record or media at the division's own cost; and
897	(c) take a device for further analysis if considered necessary.
898	(4)(a) The division or the division's agent may conduct an operation inspection or
899	investigation at any time during the normal operating hours of the massage
900	establishment without prior notice.
901	(b) The owner or manager of the massage establishment shall assist the inspector by
902	providing access to:
903	(i) all areas of the massage establishment;
904	(ii) all personnel; and
905	(iii) all records requested by the inspector.
906	(5) If upon inspection the division concludes that a person has violated the provisions of
907	this chapter, or a rule or order issued with respect to this chapter and that disciplinary
908	action is appropriate, the director or the director's designee shall issue a fine or citation
909	to the registrant.
910	Section 24. Section 63I-1-258 is amended to read:
911	63I-1-258 . Repeal dates: Title 58.
912	(1) Title 58, Chapter 13, Health Care Providers Immunity from Liability Act, is repealed
913	July 1, 2026.

914	(2) Title 58, Chapter 15, Health Facility Administrator Act, is repealed July 1, 2025.
915	(3) Title 58, Chapter 20b, Environmental Health Scientist Act, is repealed July 1, 2028.
916	(4) Section 58-37-3.5, Drugs for behavioral health treatment, is repealed July 1, 2027.
917	(5) Subsection 58-37-6(7)(f)(iii), regarding a seven-day opiate supply restriction, is
918	repealed July 1, 2032.
919	(6) Title 58, Chapter 40, Recreational Therapy Practice Act, is repealed July 1, 2033.
920	(7) Title 58, Chapter 41, Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act, is
921	repealed July 1, 2029.
922	(8) Title 58, Chapter 46a, Hearing Instrument Specialist Licensing Act, is repealed July 1,
923	2033.
924	(9) Title 58, Chapter 47b, Massage Therapy Practice Act, is repealed July 1, 2034.
925	(10) Subsection 58-47b-102(5), defining massage assistant, is repealed July 1, 2029.
926	(11) Subsection 58-47b-102(6), defining massage assistant-in-training, is repealed July 1,
927	<u>2029.</u>
928	(12) Subsection 58-47b-301(3), regarding representing oneself as a massage assistant or a
929	massage assistant-in-training, is repealed July 1, 2029.
930	(13) Subsection 58-47b-301(4), regarding requirement for a massage assistant or a massage
931	assistant-in-training to work in a registered massage establishment, is repealed July 1,
932	<u>2029.</u>
933	(14) Subsection 58-47b-302(1)(c), regarding the division licensing a massage assistant, is
934	repealed July 1, 2029.
935	(15) Subsection 58-47b-302(1)(d), regarding the division licensing a massage
936	assistant-in-training, is repealed July 1, 2029.
937	(16) Subsection 58-47b-302(4), regarding applicant for massage assistant licensure, is
938	repealed July 1, 2029.
939	(17) Subsection 58-47b-302(5), regarding applicant for a massage assistant-in-training, is
940	repealed July 1, 2029.
941	(18) Subsection 58-47b-302(6), regarding supervision for a massage assistant or a massage
942	assistant-in-training, is repealed July 1, 2029.
943	(19) Subsection 58-47b-303(3)(b), regarding expiration of a massage assistant-in-training
944	license, is repealed July 1, 2029.
945	(20) Subsection 58-55-201(2), regarding the Alarm System and Security Licensing
946	Advisory Board, is repealed July 1, 2027.
947	[(11)] (21) Title 58, Chapter 61, Part 7, Behavior Analyst Licensing Act, is repealed July 1,

- 948 2026.
- 949 Section 1. Effective Date.
- 950 This bill takes effect on May 7, 2025.