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**SENATE BILL 24-201** 

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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

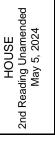
101 **CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN THE HOURS OF WORK IN A MASSAGE** 

102 THERAPY PROGRAM REOUIRED FOR LICENSURE AS A MASSAGE 103 THERAPIST.

#### **Bill Summary**

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov.)

Current law requires an applicant for massage therapist licensure to attain a degree, obtain a diploma, or otherwise successfully complete a massage therapy program that consists of at least 500 total hours of coursework and clinical work from an approved massage school. The bill increases the coursework and clinical work minimum requirement to 650



Reading Unamended April 23, 2024

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total hours starting July 1, 2024.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-235-108, amend 3 (1)(a) as follows: 4 12-235-108. License - requirements - denial of license 5 **application.** (1) Every applicant for a license to practice massage therapy 6 shall: 7 (a) (I) EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN 8 SUBSECTION (1)(a)(II) OF THIS SECTION, attain a degree, OBTAIN A 9 diploma, or otherwise successfully complete a massage therapy program 10 that consists of at least five SIX hundred FIFTY total hours of coursework 11 and clinical work from an approved massage school. 12 (II) AN INDIVIDUAL SATISFIES THE REQUIREMENT OF SUBSECTION 13 (1)(a)(I) OF THIS SECTION IF THE INDIVIDUAL: 14 (A) IS ENROLLED AND PARTICIPATING IN A MASSAGE TRAINING 15 PROGRAM AT AN APPROVED MASSAGE SCHOOL ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 16 2024; AND 17 (B) SUCCESSFULLY GRADUATES FROM THE APPROVED MASSAGE 18 SCHOOL ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2025. 19 SECTION 2. Applicability. This act applies to applications for 20 licensure as a massage therapist submitted on or after the effective date 21 of this act. 22 SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, 23 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate 24 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for

- 1 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
- 2 institutions.