## Hall of the House of Representatives

95th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2025 Amendment Form

## Subtitle of Senate Bill 168

TO ESTABLISH A STATE EXAMINATION FOR LICENSURE OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

## Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 168

Amend Senate Bill 168 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 10, delete "TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY;"

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"TO ESTABLISH A STATE EXAMINATION FOR LICENSURE OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS."

AND

Page 1, line 24, delete "<u>(a) The State Board of Health</u>" and substitute "<u>(a)(1) The Department of Health</u>"

AND

Page 1, delete line 26, and substitute the following: "place designated by the department.

(2) The state examination under this section is an additional option to licensure in this state and does not replace or negate a national examination.

(3) The state examination under this section shall be offered as JMB452 - 03-03-2025 10:29:40 Page 1 of 3 an optional pathway to licensure and shall only be offered to unlicensed graduates of an approved massage therapy school or students enrolled in a massage therapy apprenticeship program in this state who have completed the educational requirements under § 17-86-306(e)."

AND

Page 2, delete line 9, and substitute the following:

"(d) The state examination shall not be computer adaptive.

(e)(1) The department may require massage therapy instructors who currently provide instruction in an approved massage therapy school in this state or a massage therapy apprenticeship program in this state to submit examination questions for the state examination.

(2) An examination question submitted by a massage therapy instructor shall:

(A)(i) Be derived from a textbook that the massage therapy instructor is currently utilizing to provide instruction to massage therapy students under subdivision (e) of this section.

(ii) Material from the Massage and Bodywork

Licensing Examination shall not be considered a textbook under this section; and

(B) Include:

(i) The title of the textbook;

(ii) The author of the textbook;

(iii) The edition of the textbook;

(iv) The page number and line number from which the

examination question was derived or obtained; and

(v) The date when the examination question was

created."

AND

Delete SECTION 2 in its entirety

The Amendment was read By: Representative K. Brown JMB/JMB - 03-03-2025 10:29:41 JMB452

**Chief Clerk**