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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION**

**MASSAGE/BODYWORK THERAPY PANEL**

CHAPTER 77

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 40-30-60

77-100. Qualification for Licensure.

**Synopsis:**

To satisfy the requirements of licensure for massage therapists, Regulation 77-100 is updated in conformance with the current Massage Therapy Practice Act.

The Notice of Drafting was published in the *State Register* on November 25, 2011.

**Instructions:**

The following section of Chapter 77 is modified as provided below. All other items and sections remain unchanged.

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**Text:**

77-100. Qualification for Licensure.

1. The Department shall issue a license to a person who:

(a) pays to the Department the fee prescribed on the application for licensure; and

(b) completes a massage therapy program of five hundred classroom hours of supervised study at an approved massage/bodywork school. Approved schools are those found by the Department to have met the minimum qualifications as set forth by the Commission on Higher Education for such programs; and

(c) passes a national examination approved by the Department~~.~~; and

(d) is at least eighteen (18) years of age.

2. The Department, in conjunction with the Advisory Panel, approves the ~~national examination known as the~~ examinations offered by the National Certification ~~Exam~~ Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork (NCBTMB) and the Massage & Bodywork Licensing Examination (MBLEx) as the ~~national~~ examinations required for licensure.

3. Documentation of Graduation from a Department Approved Massage School.

In order to be acknowledged as a graduate of a Department approved massage school. The Department's administrative office must receive an official transcript documenting the applicant's training in a format approved by the Department. Such official transcript must document to the satisfaction of the Department that the applicant has successfully completed a course of study in massage which met the minimum standards for training and curriculum as delineated in this rule chapter. An official transcript indicating passing grades in all courses, and including dates of attendance and successful completion of the entire course of study, is evidence of successful completion.

**Fiscal Impact Statement:**

There will be no cost incurred by the State or any of its political subdivisions.

**Statement of Rationale:**

This regulation is updated in conformance with the current Massage Therapy Practice Act.