

# HOUSE BILL No. 1235

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 25-21.8-5-1.

**Synopsis:** Massage therapist licensure by endorsement. Provides that a massage therapist who is licensed, certified, or registered in another state may receive an Indiana license by endorsement if the other state's credentialing standards are substantially equivalent to or exceed the credentialing standards in effect in Indiana at the time that the individual's license, certification, or registration was granted in the other state.

**Effective:** Upon passage.

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January 10, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Employment, Labor and Pensions.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2022 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 25-21.8-5-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.267-2017,  
2 SECTION 18, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) The board may grant licensure by  
4 endorsement to an individual who:  
5 (1) is licensed, certified, or registered in another state having  
6 credentialing standards that are substantially equivalent to or that  
7 exceed the credentialing standards:  
8 (A) specified under this article; or  
9 (B) **in effect in Indiana at the time that the individual's**  
10 **license, certification, or registration was granted in the**  
11 **other state;**  
12 (2) has no pending disciplinary actions in relation to the  
13 performance of massage therapy and is in good standing with the  
14 standards of the other state or country;  
15 (3) pays an application fee established by the board;  
16 (4) provides a history of the individual's criminal convictions, if  
17 any, including any criminal convictions relating to the practice of



1           the profession; and  
2           (5) submits to a national criminal history background check as  
3           prescribed by IC 25-0.5-1-9.  
4           (b) The board shall deny an application for licensure if the  
5           applicant:  
6           (1) has been convicted of:  
7                (A) prostitution;  
8                (B) rape; or  
9                (C) sexual misconduct; or  
10          (2) is a registered sex offender.  
11          (c) An applicant for licensure by endorsement shall cause each state  
12          that previously credentialed the applicant to provide the board with the  
13          applicant's current status in the state.  
14          **SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.**

