ENTITLED, An Act to revise the grandfathering provisions and renewal requirements of massage therapy licensure.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. That § 36-35-14 be amended to read as follows:

36-35-14. Until July 1, 2008, the board may issue a license to a person who demonstrates completion of a minimum of one hundred hours of training or study in the practice of massage with a facility or instructor recognized by the board or adequate experience derived from the active practice of massage for at least the three years immediately preceding the date of the application. Any person applying for a license under this section is not required to comply with the examination and training or study requirements of § 36-35-12 but shall meet the other criteria set forth in § 36-35-12. Any person applying for a license under this section shall submit an application as required by § 36-35-12 along with proof of active practice for at least three years prior to the date of application. Any person who qualified for licensure pursuant to this section and allowed the license to lapse may be issued a license, notwithstanding the initial time period provided in this section, by complying with this section before June 30, 2012.

Section 2. That § 36-35-16 be amended to read as follows:

36-35-16. Any person holding a valid license under this chapter may renew that license by paying the required renewal fee and providing proof of compliance with the continuing education requirements set by the board at least thirty days prior to the expiration of the current license. Any person who submits a license renewal less than thirty days prior to the expiration of the license but no later than the expiration date shall submit a seventy-five dollar late fee. If the board has not received a license renewal by the expiration date, the board shall notify the licensee within five days that the renewal has not been received and that the licensee may not practice until the license is renewed. Any person who submits a license renewal within thirty days after the expiration date shall submit a one hundred fifty dollar late fee. Any person whose license has lapsed shall reapply for a license.

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I certify that the attached Act originated in the

SENATE as Bill No. 151

Secretary of the Senate

President of the Senate

Attest:

Secretary of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Attest:

Chief Clerk

Received at this Executive Office this _____ day of _____,

20_____at ______M.

By _____ for the Governor ____

The attached Act is hereby approved this _____ day of _____, A.D., 20____

Governor

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, SS. Office of the Secretary of State

Filed ______, 20____ at ______ o'clock ____M.

Secretary of State

By _____Asst. Secretary of State

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