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OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALASKA

MEMORANDUM

TO:	Jun Maiquis Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development	
FROM:	Scott Meriwether, Office of the Lieutenant Governor 465.4081	
DATE:	June 16, 2016	
RE:	Filed Permanent Regulations: Board of Massage Therapists	
	Regulations re: continuing education (12 AAC 79.210(d))	

Attorney General File:	JU2015200446 (Part 3)
Regulation Filed:	June 15, 2016
Effective Date:	July 15, 2016
Print:	219, October 2016

cc with enclosures: Linda Miller, Department of Law Micaela Fowler, Department of Commerce, Community & Economic Development Dianne Blumer, Administrative Regulation Review Committee Judy Herndon, LexisNexis

ORDER CERTIFYING THE CHANGES TO REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS

The attached one page of regulations, dealing with continuing education requirements, is hereby certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Board of Massage Therapists adopted at its June 2-3, 2016 meeting, under the authority of AS 08.61.020, AS 08.61.030, and AS 08.61.050 and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

On the record, in considering public comments, the Board of Massage Therapists paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes described in this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

DU/03/2014 Anchorage, Alaska DATE:

Amanda Unser, LMT, Chair Board of Massage Therapists

FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Byron Mallott, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on _______, 2016 at $\underline{435p}$.m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 – 44.62.120.

Byron Mallott, Lieutenant Governor

Effective: July 15, 2016. Register: <u>219, October 2016</u> Register, <u>219</u>, October 2016

PROFESSIONAL REGULATIONS

12 AAC 79.210(d) is amended to read:

(d) Continuing education must be completed through a

(1) board-approved massage therapy or bodywork therapy school or training

program; [OR]

(2) <u>regionally or nationally accredited institution of higher education; a</u> <u>course, seminar, workshop, or other program through that institution must be approved by</u> <u>the board as directly related to the skills and knowledge required for the practice of</u> <u>massage therapy, and includes a bloodborne pathogens and universal precautions course</u> under (c) of this section; or

(3) local, state, or national professional organization that serves the massage therapy profession, including

(A) Associated Bodywork and Massage Professionals;

(B) the American Massage Therapy Association;

(C) the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards; and

(D) the National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and

Bodywork.

(Eff. 5/28/2016, Register 218; am 7/15/2016, Register 219)

Authority: AS 08.61.020 AS 08.61.030 AS 08.61.050

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Byron Mallott Lieutenant Governor

Steven C. Weaver

Sr. Assistant Attorney General and Assistant Regulations Attorney Legislation and Regulations Section

State of Alaska Department of Law

Date: June 15, 2016

File No.: JU2015200446 (Part 3)

Tel. No.: 465-3600

Re: Regulations re: continuing education (12 AAC 79.210(d))

We have reviewed the attached regulations from the Board of Massage Therapists against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act. I have reviewed this project under a specific delegation dated June 14, 2016 from the Regulations Attorney. Implementing, interpreting, and making specific AS 08.61, enacted under sec. 4, ch. 114, SLA 2014, and related temporary law transition provisions under sec. 10, ch. 114, SLA 2014, the regulations refine procedures and requirements regarding continuing education for massage therapists, particularly continuing education through a regionally or nationally accredited institution of higher education.

The attached changes are Part 3 of this regulations project; 12 AAC 79.210 was originally adopted as Part 2 of the regulations, was filed April 28, 2016, and had an effective date of May 28, 2016. We find no legal problems with Part 3 of the regulations. With Part 3 we have included an original certification of adoption order, an original affidavit of board action, and related informal minutes. We have also included photocopies of other supporting documents that are filed with Part 1 of this project: regulations with an effective date of January 17, 2016 (Register 217 (April 2016)). This memorandum constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the attached regulations.

The June 17, 2015 public notice and the June 3, 2016 certification of adoption order both state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.195 is not required.

SCW

From:

cc w/enc: (via email)

Janey Hovenden, Director Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

MEMORANDUM

To: Amanda Unser, LMT, Chair Board of Massage Therapists (via email through Jun Maiquis)

Steven C. Weaver

From: Steven C. Weaver Sr. Assistant Attorney General and Assistant Regulations Attorney Legislation and Regulations Section

State of Alaska Department of Law

Date: June 15, 2016

File No.: JU2015200446 (Part 3)

Tel. No.: 465-3600

Re: Regulations re: continuing education (12 AAC 79.210(d))

Under AS 44.62.060, we have reviewed the attached changes by the Board of Massage Therapists and approve the changes for filing by the lieutenant governor. I have reviewed this project under a specific delegation dated June 14, 2016 from the Regulations Attorney.

The attached changes are Part 3 of this regulations project; 12 AAC 79.210 was originally adopted as Part 2 of the regulations, was filed April 28, 2016, and had an effective date of May 28, 2016. You might wish to contact the lieutenant governor's office to confirm the filing date and effective date of the attached regulations changes.

Amanda Unser, LMT, Chair Board of Massage Therapists Our file: JU2015200446 (Part 3) June 15, 2016 Page 2

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Micaela Fowler, Regulations Contact Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Janey Hovenden, Director Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Sara Chambers, Operations Manager Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Randy Brown, Licensing Examiner Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Harriet Dinegar Milks, Assistant Attorney General Commercial and Fair Business Section

MEMORANDUM

TO: Hon. Byron Mallott Lieutenant Governor

State of Alaska Department of Law

DATE: June 14, 2016

FILE NO.: JU2015200446 (Part 3)

TELEPHONE NO.: 465-3600

SUBJECT: Specific delegation of authority regarding regulations review on Board of Massage Therapists regulations re: continuing education (12 AAC 79.210(d))

By this memorandum, I am delegating my authority as Regulations Attorney under AS 44.62 to Assistant Attorney General Steven C. Weaver for the above-referenced regulations project. Under this delegation of authority, Steven Weaver has my full authority under AS 44.62 to conduct the legal review under AS 44.62 and take necessary actions on this regulations project.

If you have questions, please let me know.

SRP:SCW

cc w/enc:

Scott C. Meriwether, AAC Coordinator Office of the Lieutenant Governor

Steven C. Weaver Sr. Assistant Attorney General Legislation/Regulations Section

FROM: Susan R. Pollard Chief Assistant Attorney General & Regulations Attorney Legislation/Regulations Section STATE OF ALASKA

ss.

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AFFIDAVIT OF BOARD ACTION

I, Randy Brown, Licensing Examiner for the Board of Massage Therapists, being duly sworn, state the following:

The attached motion dealing with continuing education requirements was passed by the Board of Massage Therapists during its June 2-3, 2016 meeting.

Date: Juneau, Alaska

Randy Brown Licensing Examiner

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this <u>14</u> day of <u>Jone</u>, 2016.



Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska My commission expires:

STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS

MINUTES OF MEETING June 2-3, 2016

By the authority of AS 08.01.070(2), and in compliance with the provisions of AS 44.62, Article 6, a scheduled meeting of the Board Massage Therapists was held on June 2-3, 2016 at the Atwood Building, 550 W 7th AVE, Anchorage, AK.

June 3, 2016

Agenda Item - Call to order and Roll Call - 8:35AM by Chairperson Amanda Unser.

Those present representing a quorum of the Board: Amanda Unser, Licensed Massage Therapist Ron Gibbs, Licensed Massage Therapist David Edwards-Smith, Licensed Massage Therapist Shirley Nelson, Public Member Traci Gilmour, Licensed Massage Therapist (videoconference, from Juneau)

In attendance from the State of Alaska were (all in person): Randy Brown, DCCED Licensing Examiner Sara Chambers, DCCED Division Supervisor Sonia Lipker, DCCED Investigator Angela Birt, DCCED Chief Investigator Jasmin Bautista, DCCED Investigator Jun Maiquis, DCCED Regulations Specialist

In attendance as members of the public (all telephonic): Edward Toal – ROLFer Robert Bradley – Self Thanya Bradley – Applicant Cheri Bell – Massage Therapist Ashley Hood – Applicant Jessi Demit – Applicant Laura Embleton - ABMP

Upon a motion made by Ron Gibbs and seconded by David Edwards-Smith, with unanimous approval,

It was RESOLVED to adopt part 12AAC79.210(d)(2) to include "regionally or nationally accredited institution of higher education; a course, seminar workshop, or other program through that institution must be approved by the board as directly related to the skills and knowledge required for the practice of massage therapy, and includes a bloodborne pathogens and universal precautions course under © of this section; or (3) local, state or national professional organization that serves the massage therapy profession, including (A) Associated Bodywork and Massage Professionals; (B) the American Massage Therapy Association; (C) the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards; and (D) the National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork. **10:11AM**

STATE OF ALASKA SS. FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS AND FURNISHING OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

I, Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist, of the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, being sworn, state the following:

As required by AS 44.62.190, notice of the proposed adoption of changes to 12 AAC 79, dealing with licensing and practice of massage therapists, to implement new state statute in AS 08.61, has been given by being:

- 1. published in a newspaper or trade publication;
- 2. furnished to interested persons;
- 3. furnished to appropriate state officials;



- 4. furnished to the Department of Law, along with a copy of the proposed regulations;
- 5. electronically transmitted to incumbent State of Alaska legislators;
- 6. furnished to the Legislative Affairs Agency, Legislative Legal and Research Services;
- 7. posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System as required by AS 44.62.175(a)(1) and (b) and 44.62.190(a)(1);
- furnished electronically, along with a copy of the proposed regulations, to the Legislative Affairs Agency, the chair of the Labor and Commerce Committee of the Alaska Senate and House of Representatives, the Administrative Regulation Review Committee, and the legislative council.

As required by AS 44.62.190(d), additional regulations notice information regarding the proposed adoption of the regulation changes described above has been furnished to interested persons and those in (5) and (6) of the list above. The additional regulations notice information also has been posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

DATE: 115 Juneau, Alaska

un Maiguis, **Regulations Specialist**

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this _41h

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AFFIDAVIT OF ORAL HEARING

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I, Karen Hudson, Licensing Supervisor for the Board of Massage Therapists, being sworn, state the following:

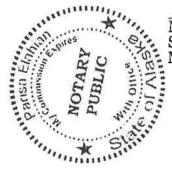
The Board of Massage Therapists presided over the following public hearing held in accordance with AS 44.62.210 for the purpose of taking testimony in connection with the adoption of changes to 12 AAC 79.100-12 AAC 79.990 dealing with licensing and practice of massage therapists, including initial license application, transitional license, criminal justice information, license renewal, continuing education requirements, audit and documentation, code of ethics and standards of practice. and definitions.

July 22, 2015, at 1:00 p.m., at the Atwood Building, 550 W. 7th Avenue, 1st Floor, Conference Room 104, Anchorage, Alaska.

Date: 1 eau, Alaska

Karen Hudson, Licensing Supervisor

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 14th day of September, 2015.



Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska My Commission Expires: With office

STATE OF ALASKA

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AFFIDAVIT OF AGENCY RECORD OF PUBLIC COMMENT

) ss.

I, Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist for the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, being duly sworn, state the following:

In compliance with AS 44.62.215, the Board of Massage Therapists has kept a record of its use or rejection of factual or other substantive information that was submitted in writing and orally as public comment and that was relevant to the accuracy, coverage, or other aspect of the Board of Massage Therapists regulation on dealing with licensing and practice of massage therapists.

DATE:

un Maiquis, Regulations Specialist

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 30 day of 1 buender, 2015.



Notary Public in and for State of Alaska My commission expires: with office



LICENSING AND REGULATION OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS: NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS CHANGES BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The Board of Massage Therapists proposes to adopt new regulations relating to the licensing and practice of massage therapists, to implement new state statute in AS 08.61 by Chapter 114, SLA 2014 (HB 328).

The Board of Massage Therapists (Board) proposes to adopt new regulations in Title 12 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with all aspects of the licensing and practice of massage therapists under the authority of the Board. The proposed regulations address a wide range of subjects, including initial license application, transitional license, criminal justice information, license renewal, continuing education requirements, audit and documentation, code of ethics and standards of practice, definition of terms, and other provisions as necessary to implement Chapter 114, SLA 2014 (HB 328).

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, P.O. Box 110806 Juneau, AK 99811-0806. Additionally, the Board will accept comments by facsimile at (907) 465-2974 and by electronic mail at jun.maiquis@alaska.gov. Comments may also be submitted through the Alaska Online Public Notice System, by accessing this notice on the system at http://notice.alaska.gov/177300, and using the "comment" link. The comments must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on July 17, 2015.

Oral comments relevant to the proposed actions, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed action, may also be given at a hearing to be held during the July 22, 2015 meeting at the Atwood Building, 550 W. 7th Avenue, 1st Floor, Conference Room 104, Anchorage, Alaska. Written comments will not be accepted at the hearing. The hearing will begin at 1:00 p.m. and will end when those who have signed up before 1:00 p.m. to give oral testimony have had the opportunity to give oral comments. The chair of the Board may limit each participant's length of oral testimony to a time limit, determined by the chair before the hearing begins, to allow enough time for all those present and timely registered to give testimony. If you wish to give your comments via telephone, please call 1-800-315-6338 access code 52538.

You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to Karen Hudson, Licensing Supervisor, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, P.O. Box 110806 Juneau, AK 99811-0806 or by e-mail at karen.hudson@alaska.gov. The questions must be received at least 10 days before the end of the public comment period. The Board will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and response available on the Board's website at http://commerce.state.ak.us/dnn/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardofMassageTherapists.aspx or on the Alaska Online Public Notice System. The Board may, but is not required to, answer written questions received after the 10-day cut-off date and before the end of the comment period.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Jun Maiquis at (907) 465-2537 no later than July 10, 2015, to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

For a copy of the proposed regulation changes, contact Jun Maiquis at the address or phone number above, or go to http://commerce.state.ak.us/dnn/portals/5/pub/MAS-0615.pdf

A copy of material proposed for adoption by reference is available on the Board's website at http://commerce.state.ak.us/dnn/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardofMassageTherapists.aspx

After the public comment period ends, the Board will either adopt these or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action on them. The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. You should comment during the time allowed if your interests could be affected. Written comments and questions received are public records and are subject to public inspection. **Statutory Authority:** AS 08.01.010; AS 08.01.065; AS 08.01.100; AS 08.61 **Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific:** AS 08.01.010; AS 08.01.065; AS 08.01.100; AS 08.61

Fiscal Information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

DATE: 6/110/15

Jun Marquis, Regulations Specialist Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

For each occupation regulated under the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, the Division keeps a list of individuals or organizations who are interested in the regulations of that occupation. The Division automatically sends a Notice of Proposed Regulations to the parties on the appropriate list each time there is a proposed change in an occupation's regulations in Title 12 of the Alaska Administrative Code. If you would like your address added to or removed from such a list, please send your request to the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing at the address above and include your name, address, and the occupational area in which you are interested.

LICENSING AND REGULATION OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS: ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS NOTICE INFORMATION (AS 44.62.190(d))

- 1. Adopting agency: Board of Massage Therapists Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing.
- General subject of regulation: Relating to the licensing and regulation of the Board of Massage Therapists.
- 3. Citation of regulation: 12 AAC 79.100 12 AAC 79.990.
- 4. Department of Law file number: To be assigned.
- 5. Reason for the proposed action: Compliance with new state statute.
- 6. Appropriation/Allocation: Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing #2360.
- Estimated costs in the aggregate to comply with the proposed action to:

 a. Private Persons: \$1,020 (application, initial biennial license, biennial license renewal, and fingerprint processing fees).
 b. Other Data American Marco License
 - b. Other State Agencies: None known.
 - c. Municipalities: None known.
- 8. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding (in thousands of dollars): No costs are expected in FY 2015 or in subsequent years.
- The name of the contact person for the regulations: Karen Hudson, Licensing Supervisor Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development Telephone: (907) 465-2691 E-mail: karen.hudson@alaska.gov
- 10. The origin of the proposed action: Board of Massage Therapists.

11. Date: 6/16/15

Prepared by:

Jyn Maiquis, Regulations Specialist

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Signed

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of June, 2015

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DATE: 06/16/15

Jun Maiguls, Regulations Specialist Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

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