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TO: Jun Maiquis
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FROM: Scott Meriwether, Office of the Lieutenant Governor
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DATE: June 5, 2017

RE: Filed Permanent Regulations: Board of Massage Therapists

Board of Massage Therapists update to regulations re: continuing education
requiremenbts and crimes involving moral turpitude (12 AAC 79.210; 12 AAC 79.910;
12 AAC 79.990(a))

Attorney General File:	JU2017200221
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Print:	223, October 2017

cc with enclosures: Linda Miller, Department of Law
Judy Herndon, LexisNexis

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

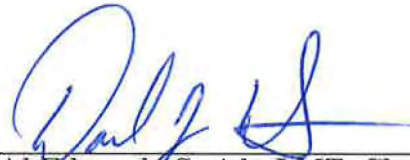
The attached two pages of regulations, dealing with continuing education requirements, crimes involving moral turpitude, and definitions, are hereby certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Board of Massage Therapists adopted at its May 10, 2017 teleconference meeting, under 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.

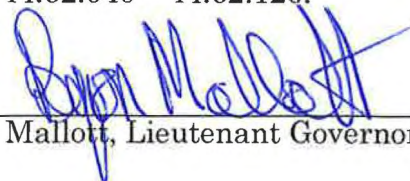
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David Edwards-Smith, LMT, Chair
Board of Massage Therapists

FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Byron Mallott, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on June 5, 2017 at 1025A .m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 – 44.62.120.



Byron Mallott, Lieutenant Governor

Effective: July 5, 2017.

Register: 223, October 2017

Chapter 79. Massage Therapists.

12 AAC 79.210(c) is amended to read:

(c) An applicant for renewal under (a)(2) of this section may receive four hours of continuing education credit for completion of a bloodborne pathogens and universal and standard precautions course once every six years.

12 AAC 79.210(d)(2) is amended to read:

(2) 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 and standard precautions course under (c) of this section; or

12 AAC 79.210 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

(g) An applicant for renewal under (a) of this section may receive one continuing education credit for attending at least 80 percent of a regularly scheduled board meeting once every biennial licensing period.

(h) An applicant for renewal under (a) of this section who has been licensed more than 90 days but less than 12 months of the concluding biennial license period ~~shall not be~~ required to submit proof of completion of continuing education. (Eff. 5/28/2016, Register 218; am 7/15/2016, Register 219; am 7/5/2017, Register 223)

Authority: AS 08.61.020 AS 08.61.030 AS 08.61.050

12 AAC 79.910 is amended by adding new paragraphs to read:

- (13) murder;
- (14) human trafficking;
- (15) criminal sexual conduct;
- (16) incest;
- (17) robbery;
- (18) extortion;
- (19) forgery;
- ~~2~~(20) criminal homicide;
- (20)
- ~~2~~(21) theft;
- (21)
- ~~2~~(22) endangering the welfare of a child;
- (22)
- ~~2~~(23) endangering the welfare of a vulnerable adult;
- (23)
- ~~2~~(24) reckless endangerment. (Eff. 1/17/2016, Register 217; am 7/5/2017,

Register 223)

Authority: AS 08.61.020 AS 08.61.030

12 AAC 79.990(a)(2) is amended to read:

(2) "universal **and standard** precautions" means the infectious control precautions that are recommended by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, to be used to prevent the transmission of bloodborne germs such as human immunodeficiency virus and hepatitis B virus.

(Eff. 1/17/2016, Register 217; am 7/5/2017, Register 223.)

Authority: AS 08.61.020