

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SB 6138

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Deleting mandatory permissive language for reinstatement of revoked massage practitioner licenses.

**Sponsors:** Senator Kohl.

**Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care**

**House Committee on Commerce & Labor**

**Background:** Last year legislation passed authorizing the Department of Health to automatically revoke the license of a massage practitioner who had been convicted of prostitution. Revocation under these circumstances could last eight years, unless the conviction was overturned or the licensee completed a prostitution prevention and intervention program.

**Summary:** Massage practitioners who lose their licenses because of a prostitution conviction are not given the option of participating in a prostitution prevention program as a means of getting their license reinstated.

The prostitution prevention program already in statute is maintained as a mechanism for changing behavior without enabling offenders who lose their massage therapy licenses to opt for the program as a short cut to regaining their licenses.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	48	0	
House	98	0	(House amended)
Senate	48	0	(Senate concurred)

**Effective:** June 6, 1996