

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1189

65th Legislature
2017 Regular Session

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Yeas 98 Nays 0

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate March 30, 2017
Yeas 49 Nays 0

President of the Senate

Approved

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1189** as passed by House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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By House Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by
Representatives Short, Cody, Schmick, and Kloba)

READ FIRST TIME 01/27/17.

1 AN ACT Relating to clarifying existing exemptions from the
2 massage therapy law; and amending RCW 18.108.050.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.108.050 and 2012 c 137 s 8 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 This chapter does not apply to:

7 (1) An individual giving massage or reflexology to members of his
8 or her immediate family;

9 (2) The practice of a profession by individuals who are licensed,
10 certified, or registered under other laws of this state and who are
11 performing services within their authorized scope of practice;

12 (3) Massage or reflexology practiced at the athletic department
13 of:

14 (a) Any institution maintained by the public funds of the state,
15 or any of its political subdivisions;

16 (b) Any primary or secondary school or institution of higher
17 education;

18 (c) Any school or college approved by the department of health by
19 rule using recognized national professional standards; or

20 (d) Any nonprofit organization licensed under RCW 66.24.400 and
21 66.24.450;

1 (4) Students enrolled in an approved massage school, approved
2 program, or approved apprenticeship program, practicing massage
3 techniques, incidental to the massage school or program and
4 supervised by the approved school or program. Students must identify
5 themselves as a student when performing massage services on members
6 of the public. Students may not be compensated for the massage
7 services they provide;

8 (5) Students enrolled in an approved reflexology school, approved
9 program, or approved apprenticeship program, practicing reflexology
10 techniques, incidental to the reflexologist school or program and
11 supervised by the approved school or program. Students must identify
12 themselves as a student when performing reflexology services on
13 members of the public. Students may not be compensated for the
14 reflexology services they provide; or

15 (6)(a) Individuals who have completed a somatic education
16 training program approved by the secretary.

17 (b) For purposes of this subsection (6), "somatic education"
18 means: Using minimal touch, words, and directed movement to deepen
19 awareness of existing patterns of movement and suggest new
20 possibilities of movement; and using minimal touch over specific
21 points of the body to facilitate balance in the nervous system. It
22 includes: (i) Any somatic education training program approved by the
23 secretary as of the effective date of this section; (ii) the practice
24 of ortho-bionomy; and (iii) the Feldenkrais method of somatic
25 education.

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