
HOUSE BILL 1845

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By Representative Warnick

1 AN ACT Relating to clarifying the ability of persons to perform
2 Bowen therapy; 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 2002 c 277 s 2 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 This chapter does not apply to:

7 (1) An individual giving massage to members of his or her immediate
8 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 practiced at the athletic department of any institution
13 maintained by the public funds of the state, or any of its political
14 subdivisions;

15 (4) Massage practiced at the athletic department of any school or
16 college approved by the department by rule using recognized national
17 professional standards;

18 (5) Students enrolled in an approved massage school, approved
19 program, or approved apprenticeship program, practicing massage

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

5 (6) Individuals who have completed a somatic education training
6 program approved by the secretary;

7 (7) Persons who limit their practice to reflexology. For purposes
8 of this chapter, the practice of reflexology is limited to the hands,
9 feet, and outer ears. The services provided by those who limit their
10 practice to reflexology are not designated or implied to be massage or
11 massage therapy;

12 (8) Persons who limit their practice to Bowen therapy. The
13 services provided by those who limit their practice to Bowen therapy
14 are not designated or implied to be massage or massage therapy.

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