

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2311
(Reference to printed bill)

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert:

2 "Section 1. Repeal

3 Section 41-3025.10, Arizona Revised Statutes, is repealed.

4 Sec. 2. Title 41, chapter 27, article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes,
5 is amended by adding section 41-3027.09, to read:

6 41-3027.09. Board of massage therapy; termination July 1, 2027

7 A. THE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY TERMINATES ON JULY 1, 2027.

8 B. TITLE 32, CHAPTER 42 AND THIS SECTION ARE REPEALED ON JANUARY 1,
9 2028.

10 Sec. 3. Board of massage therapy continuation study committee;
11 membership; duties; report; delayed repeal

12 A. The board of massage therapy continuation study committee is
13 established consisting of the following members:

14 1. Three members of the senate who are appointed by the president of
15 the senate, not more than two of whom are members of the same political
16 party. The president of the senate shall designate one of these members to
17 serve as cochairperson of the committee.

18 2. Three members of the house of representatives who are appointed
19 by the speaker of the house of representatives, not more than two of whom
20 are members of the same political party. The speaker of the house of
21 representatives shall designate one of these members to serve as
22 cochairperson of the committee.

1 3. The executive director of the governor's office of boards and
2 commissions, or the executive director's designee.

3 4. The executive director of the board of massage therapy, or the
4 executive director's designee.

5 5. A representative of private postsecondary schools who is
6 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

7 6. A representative of law enforcement who is appointed by the
8 president of the senate.

9 7. A representative of a state or national massage therapy
10 association who is appointed by the speaker of the house of
11 representatives.

12 8. A representative of a national association of massage therapy
13 licensing boards and agencies whose primary interest is public and consumer
14 protection and who is appointed by the president of the senate.

15 B. Members of the study committee are not eligible to receive
16 compensation but are eligible for reimbursement of expenses pursuant to
17 title 38, chapter 4, article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes.

18 C. The study committee shall study the board of massage therapy and
19 make recommendations regarding all of the following:

20 1. Whether the board of massage therapy should continue in its
21 current form, remain a stand-alone health board or be combined with an
22 existing board.

23 2. The state's role in expediting background checks.

24 3. Whether the board of massage therapy's information technology
25 project that was implemented beginning in February 2025 is sufficient to
26 deal with existing issues.

27 4. Whether a massage therapy establishment license should be
28 required in this state as a tool to eliminate sex trafficking.

29 D. In fulfilling the study committee's requirements under subsection
30 C of this section, the study committee shall collect:

31 1. Comparable data points between any previous technology and the
32 new technology solution implemented in February 2025.

1 2. Feedback from stakeholders, licensed massage therapists
2 throughout this state, local law enforcement agencies and victims' services
3 advocates to make any recommended change to the structure of the board of
4 massage therapy or to implement any additional licensure types.

5 E. The study committee shall produce a report not later than
6 December 31, 2026 that includes the recommendations made pursuant to
7 subsection C of this section. The study committee shall submit the report
8 to the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of
9 representatives and shall submit a copy to the secretary of state.

10 F. This section is repealed from and after June 30, 2027.

11 Sec. 4. Purpose

12 Pursuant to section 41-2955, subsection B, Arizona Revised Statutes,
13 the legislature continues the board of massage therapy to promote the safe
14 practice of massage therapy by qualified professionals in this state.

15 Sec. 5. Retroactivity

16 Sections 1 and 2 of this act apply retroactively to from and after
17 July 1, 2025.

18 Sec. 6. Emergency

19 This act is an emergency measure that is necessary to preserve the
20 public peace, health or safety and is operative immediately as provided by
21 law."

22 Amend title to conform

And, as so amended, it do pass

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