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House Bill 110
Sectional Analysis

"An Act relating to the practice of massage therapy; relating to the Board of Massage Therapists; and providing for an effective date."

Section 1: Amends AS 08.61.010. Board established. Eases the restrictions for those who wish to be public members of the board.

Section 2: Amends AS 08.61.020. Duties and powers of board. Includes language allowing the board to adopt regulations governing massage therapy establishments.

Section 3: Amends AS 08.61.030. Qualifications for license. Increases the number of hours of in-class supervised instruction and clinical work from an approved massage school from 500 hours to 625 hours and reduces the number of hours of safety education covering bloodborne pathogens from four hours to two hours.

Section 4: Amends 08.61.050. Standards for license renewal. Changes the annual fingerprint requirement to every six (6) years

Section 5: Amends uncodified law to allow for the Board to adopt regulations necessary to implement this Act. Regulations under this provision take effect on or after the effective date of the bill.

Section 6: Establishes an immediate effective date for adopting regulations and the fingerprint requirement.

Section 7: Establishes a July 1, 2019 effective date.