

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 161

92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE SALVA.

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STEPHEN S. DAVIS, Chief Clerk

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 324, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to licensure of massage therapists.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 324, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 324.253, to read as follows:

**324.253. 1. The requirements for licensure of massage therapists in this state shall
2 not apply to persons who are licensed, registered, or certified by another state or territory
3 of the United States, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country if:**

4 **(1) The requirements for licensure, registration, or certification are equivalent to
5 those in this state; and**

6 **(2) Such persons are incidentally called into this state to teach a course related to
7 massage and bodywork therapy, or to provide massage therapy services as part of an
8 emergency response team working in conjunction with disaster relief officials.**

9 **2. Any person not licensed in this state who wishes to provide massage therapy
10 services at special events such as conventions, sporting events, and traveling shows or
11 exhibitions shall hold a current Missouri special events massage therapist permit,
12 renewable annually, for a fee to be determined by the board of therapeutic massage and
13 bodywork. To qualify for a Missouri special events massage therapist permit, a person
14 must be licensed, registered, or certified by another state or territory of the United States,
15 the District of Columbia, or a foreign country where the requirements for licensure,
16 registration, or certification are equivalent to those of this state.**