

CHAPTER 314

(House Bill 572)

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County - Massage Parlor Regulation - Authorization

FOR the purpose of authorizing the County Commissioners of Carroll County to adopt an ordinance or regulations governing massage establishments; exempting certain occupations and businesses; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the authority of the County Commissioners to regulate the providing of massages for compensation in Carroll County.

BY adding to

The Public Local Laws of Carroll County

Section 7-4

Article 7 - Public Local Laws of Maryland

(1976 Edition and 1992 Supplement, as amended)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 7 - Carroll County

7-4.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) "MASSAGE" MEANS ANY METHOD OF TREATING, FOR COMPENSATION, THE EXTERNAL PARTS OF A HUMAN BODY BY TOUCHING, RUBBING, STROKING, KNEADING, TAPPING, OR VIBRATING WITH THE HAND, ARM, FOOT, MOUTH, OR OTHER BODY PART OR WITH ANY INSTRUMENT.

(3) "MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENT" MEANS ANY ESTABLISHMENT DOING BUSINESS IN CARROLL COUNTY WHERE MESSAGES ARE ADMINISTERED.

(4) "~~MASSAGE THERAPIST~~" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS:

~~(I) COMPLETED AT LEAST 500 HOURS OF TRAINING IN A SCHOOL WHOSE CURRICULUM IS APPROVED BY A PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION THAT CERTIFIES MASSAGE TRAINING PROGRAMS IF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RECOGNIZE THE ORGANIZATION;~~

~~(II) COMPLETED AT LEAST 250 HOURS OF TRAINING AND IS CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A SCHOOL WHOSE CURRICULUM IS APPROVED BY A PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION THAT CERTIFIES MASSAGE TRAINING PROGRAMS IF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RECOGNIZE THE ORGANIZATION; OR~~

~~(III) PASSED THE NATIONAL CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION FOR PROFESSIONAL MASSAGE AND BODYWORK.~~