## **CHAPTER 678**

(House Bill 51)

AN ACT concerning

## State Board of Nursing Chiropractic Examiners - Licensure Certification of Massage Therapists

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Nursing Chiropractic Examiners to adopt regulations for the licensure certification and practice of massage therapists; defining certain terms; authorizing the Board of Nursing Chiropractic Examiners to set certain fees; establishing the Massage Therapy Advisory Committee within the Board of Nursing Chiropractic Examiners; specifying the powers and duties of the Advisory Committee; requiring an individual to be licensed certified by the Board of Nursing Chiropractic Examiners before the individual may practice massage therapy; making certain exceptions; specifying the qualifications for a certain license certificate; authorizing the issuance and renewal of a certain license certificate; establishing certain grounds for discipline; providing that this Act does not limit the rights of certain individuals to practice certain occupations; prohibiting certain acts; making certain exceptions; establishing certain penalties; providing for the construction of this Act; requiring the initial members of the Massage Therapy Advisory Committee to be eligible to be licensed certified under this Act; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to the licensure certification of individuals to practice massage therapy in this State.

## BY adding to

Article - Health Occupations

Section 8-7A-01 through 8-7A-10 3-5A-01 through 3-5A-11, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 7A 5A. Licensure Certification of Massage Therapists"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

## Article - Health Occupations

SUBTITLE 7A. 5A. LICENSURE CERTIFICATION OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS. 8-7A-01. 3-5A-01.

- (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (B) "BOARD" MEANS THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS.