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(a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, an individual may not practice, attempt to practice, or offer to practice massage therapy, massage, myotherapy, or any synonym or derivation of these terms in this State unless certified by the Board.

(b) An individual who is not certified as a certified massage therapist or registered as a massage practitioner under this subtitle may not advertise or claim by title, abbreviation, sign, card, or any other representation that the individual practices massage, massage therapy, myotherapy, or any synonym or derivation of these terms.

(c) An individual who is a registered massage practitioner under this subtitle or a business entity that employs registered massage practitioners under this subtitle may not advertise to the public that the individual or business entity provides health-related therapeutic massage services.

(d) (1) In Charles County and Washington County, an individual may not perform a massage or offer to perform a massage on another person for compensation unless the individual who performs the massage or offers to perform a massage is a certified massage therapist or registered massage practitioner.

(2) A law enforcement officer in Charles County or Washington County may demand proof of certification or registration.

(e) Any individual who violates a provision of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction shall be subject to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or imprisonment for not more than 1 year, or both.]

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(a) Subject to the hearing provisions of § 3-315 of this title, the Board may deny a [certificate] LICENSE or registration to any applicant, reprimand any [certificate holder] LICENSEE or registration holder, place any [certificate holder] LICENSEE or registration holder on probation, or suspend or revoke the [certificate] LICENSE of a [certificate holder] LICENSEE or the registration of a registration holder if the applicant, [certificate holder] LICENSEE, or registration holder:

(1) Fraudulently or deceptively obtains or attempts to obtain a [certificate] LICENSE or registration for the applicant or for another;

(2) Fraudulently or deceptively uses a [certificate] LICENSE or registration;