

HB1257_L.005

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Local Government & Housing.

HB26-1257 be amended as follows:

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 3, strike line 11 and substitute
2 "REASONABLY LIKELY TO OCCUR; ~~and~~
3 (III.5) IN 2018, THROUGH ITS AUTHORITY AS A HOME RULE
4 MUNICIPALITY, THE CITY OF AURORA ENACTED AN ORDINANCE TO
5 REGULATE MASSAGE FACILITIES TO COMBAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING BY
6 FOCUSING DIRECTLY ON THE PERPETRATORS OF TRAFFICKING AND THE
7 DETERRENCE OF UNLAWFUL BEHAVIOR AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO
8 TRADITIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT APPROACHES. OTHER MUNICIPALITIES
9 FOLLOWED SUIT AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SUBSEQUENTLY ENACTED
10 HOUSE BILL 22-1300 IN 2022 TO AUTHORIZE COUNTIES TO ENACT SIMILAR
11 REGULATIONS."

12 Page 3, after line 24 insert:

13 "(IX) LOCAL REGULATION OF MASSAGE FACILITIES HAS BEEN
14 EFFECTIVE IN REDUCING THE NUMBER OF ILLICIT MASSAGE BUSINESSES,
15 DETERRING THE LOCATION OF NEW ILLICIT MASSAGE BUSINESSES, AND
16 FOCUSING ON THE BEHAVIOR OF PERPETRATORS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING;
17 AND

18 (X) THE LOCAL REGULATION OF MASSAGE FACILITIES,
19 IMPLEMENTED CONSISTENTLY WITH THE "MASSAGE THERAPY PRACTICE
20 ACT", RECOGNIZES THAT MASSAGE THERAPY IS A LEGITIMATE
21 HEALTH-CARE PROFESSION THAT PROVIDES BENEFITS TO THE RESIDENTS
22 OF COLORADO."

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