

## CHAPTER 484

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**PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS**

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## SENATE BILL 24-201

BY SENATOR(S) Michaelson Jenet and Smallwood, Buckner, Cutter, Gonzales, Priola;  
also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Lindsay and Pugliese, Clifford, Duran, Lieder.

**AN ACT****CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN THE HOURS OF WORK IN A MASSAGE THERAPY PROGRAM REQUIRED FOR LICENSURE AS A MASSAGE THERAPIST.**

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-235-108, **amend** (1)(a) as follows:

**12-235-108. License - requirements - denial of license application.** (1) Every applicant for a license to practice massage therapy shall:

(a) (I) EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a)(II) OF THIS SECTION, attain a degree, OBTAIN A diploma, or otherwise successfully complete a massage therapy program that consists of at least ~~five~~ SIX hundred FIFTY total hours of coursework and clinical work from an approved massage school.

(II) AN INDIVIDUAL SATISFIES THE REQUIREMENT OF SUBSECTION (1)(a)(I) OF THIS SECTION IF THE INDIVIDUAL:

(A) IS ENROLLED AND PARTICIPATING IN A MASSAGE TRAINING PROGRAM AT AN APPROVED MASSAGE SCHOOL ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2024; AND

(B) SUCCESSFULLY GRADUATES FROM THE APPROVED MASSAGE SCHOOL ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2025.

**SECTION 2. Applicability.** This act applies to applications for licensure as a massage therapist submitted on or after the effective date of this act.

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*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing law; dashes through words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law and such material is not part of the act.*

**SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

Approved: June 7, 2024