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HOUSE ENGROSSED NO. **HB 1126** - 02/05/2013

This bill has been extensively amended (hoghoused) and may no longer be consistent with the original intention of the sponsor.

Introduced by: Representatives Hoffman, Cronin, Erickson, Feickert, Feinstein, Haggar (Don), Hansen, Hickey, May, Nelson, and Sly and Senators Tidemann, Heineman (Phyllis), and Kirkeby

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise the massage therapy licensing requirements.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

3 Section 1. That § 36-35-12 be amended to read as follows:

4 36-35-12. The board ~~may~~ shall issue a license to engage in the practice of massage to any
5 person who submits an application form and the nonrefundable application fee as approved in
6 § 36-35-17 and who demonstrates the following qualifications:

7 (1) Eighteen years of age or older;

8 (2) Good moral character;

9 (3) High school diploma or equivalent;

10 (4) Completion of no less than five hundred hours of training or study in the practice of
11 massage with a facility or instructor recognized by the board;

12 (5) Absence of unprofessional conduct;

13 (6) Professional liability insurance coverage with limits at or above an amount set by the
14 board; and



1 (7) Passing score on an examination administered by a national certification board
2 approved by the board in rules promulgated pursuant to chapter 1-26.

3 A license issued under this chapter is valid for a period of one year from the date it was
4 issued and automatically expires unless it is renewed. The board may refuse to grant a license
5 to any person based on failure to demonstrate the requirements of this section. An applicant may
6 appeal the denial of a license in compliance with chapter 1-26.