

HB 81 House Labor and Commerce Committee June 21, 2021

Chair Stein, Vice Chair Johnson, Ranking Member Lepore-Hagan and members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on House Bill 81, a bill to revise laws governing massage establishments and massage therapy.

The Feldenkrais Guild of North America agrees to the proposal to add an amendment to HB 81 to exempt movement education. An amendment is also supported by the International Somatic Movement Education and Therapy Association and US Trager Association.

As members of the Federation of Therapeutic Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Practice Organizations, our groups would also support exemptions or appropriate licensure for structural integration and energy practices, if such licensure, with appropriate training and certification requirements, is supported by their respective professional organizations.

Please feel free to contact me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

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