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**Am. S. B. No. 55**

**Senator Brenner**

**Cosponsors: Senators Fedor, Kunze, Yuko**

**A BILL**

To amend sections 503.40, 503.41, 503.42, 503.43, 1  
503.44, 503.47, 503.48, 503.49, 503.50, 715.61, 2  
2927.17, 4731.04, 4731.15, and 4731.41; to enact 3  
section 503.411; and to repeal sections 503.45 4  
and 503.46 of the Revised Code to make changes 5  
to the laws governing massage establishments and 6  
massage therapy. 7

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That sections 503.40, 503.41, 503.42, 503.43, 8  
503.44, 503.47, 503.48, 503.49, 503.50, 715.61, 2927.17, 9  
4731.04, 4731.15, and 4731.41 be amended and section 503.411 of 10  
the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 11

**Sec. 503.40.** As used in sections 503.40 to 503.49 of the 12  
Revised Code: 13

(A) "Massage therapy" ~~means any method of exerting~~ 14  
~~pressure on, stroking, kneading, rubbing, tapping, pounding,~~ 15  
~~vibrating, or stimulating the external soft tissue of the body~~ 16  
~~with the hands, or with the aid of any mechanical or electrical~~ 17  
~~apparatus or appliance~~ has the same meaning as in section 18  
4731.04 of the Revised Code. 19

(B) "Massage establishment" means any fixed place of business where ~~a person offers massages~~ massage therapy is provided:

(1) In exchange for anything of value; or

(2) In connection with the provision of another legitimate service.

(C) ~~"Masseur" or "masseuse"~~ "Massage therapist" means any individual ~~person~~ who performs ~~massages at a massage establishment~~ massage therapy.

(D) ~~"Sexual or genital area" includes the genitalia, pubic area, anus, perineum of any person, and the breasts of a female~~ "Registration" means to provide information to the board of township trustees to indicate the location of the establishment, the names of individuals employed there, and evidence of current state licensure or student status of anyone providing massage therapy at the establishment as provided in division (A) of section 503.411 of the Revised Code.

**Sec. 503.41.** (A) A board of township trustees, by resolution, may regulate ~~and require the registration of~~ massage establishments ~~and their employees~~ within the unincorporated territory of the township and may require the registration of persons performing massage therapy at the massage establishments. In accordance with sections 503.40 to 503.49 of the Revised Code, ~~for that purpose~~ those purposes, the board, by a majority vote of all members, may adopt, amend, administer, and enforce such establishment regulations and registration requirements within the unincorporated territory of the township.

(B) A board may adopt establishment regulations,

registration requirements, and amendments under this section 49  
only after public hearing at not fewer than two regular sessions 50  
of the board. The board shall cause to be published in a 51  
newspaper of general circulation in the township, or as provided 52  
in section 7.16 of the Revised Code, notice of the public 53  
hearings, including the time, date, and place, once a week for 54  
two weeks immediately preceding the hearings. The board shall 55  
make available proposed establishment regulations, registration 56  
requirements, or amendments to the public at the office of the 57  
board. 58

(C) ~~Regulations~~ Establishment regulations, registration 59  
requirements, or amendments adopted by the board are effective 60  
thirty days after the date of adoption unless, within thirty 61  
days after the adoption of the regulations, requirements, or 62  
amendments, the township fiscal officer receives a petition, 63  
signed by a number of qualified electors residing in the 64  
unincorporated area of the township equal to not less than ten 65  
per cent of the total vote cast for all candidates for governor 66  
in the area at the most recent general election at which a 67  
governor was elected, requesting the board to submit the 68  
regulations, requirements, or amendments to the electors of the 69  
area for approval or rejection at the next primary or general 70  
election occurring at least ninety days after the board receives 71  
the petition. 72

No establishment regulation, registration requirement, or 73  
amendment for which the referendum vote has been requested is 74  
effective unless a majority of the votes cast on the issue is in 75  
favor of the regulation, requirement, or amendment. Upon 76  
certification by the board of elections that a majority of the 77  
votes cast on the issue was in favor of the regulation, 78  
requirement, or amendment, the regulation, requirement, or 79

amendment takes immediate effect. 80

(D) The board shall make available establishment 81  
regulations and registration requirements it adopts or amends to 82  
the public at the office of the board and shall cause to be 83  
published once a notice of the availability of the regulations 84  
and requirements in a newspaper of general circulation in the 85  
township within ten days after their adoption or amendment. 86

(E) Nothing in sections 503.40 to 503.49 of the Revised 87  
Code shall be construed to allow a board of township trustees to 88  
license any massage therapist or otherwise regulate the practice 89  
of any limited branch of medicine specified in section 4731.15 90  
of the Revised Code or the practice of providing therapeutic 91  
massage by a licensed physician, a licensed podiatrist, a 92  
licensed chiropractor, ~~a licensed podiatrist,~~ a licensed nurse, 93  
or any other licensed health professional. ~~As~~ 94

As used in this division, "licensed" means licensed, 95  
certified, or registered to practice in this state. 96

**Sec. 503.411.** If a board of township trustees has adopted 97  
a resolution under section 503.41 of the Revised Code to 98  
regulate massage establishments, all of the following apply: 99

(A) The massage establishment regulations shall include a 100  
requirement that all massage therapy performed in a massage 101  
establishment be performed by a person who meets one or more of 102  
the following conditions and that does not exclude any such 103  
person: 104

(1) Is licensed by the state cosmetology and barber board, 105  
or its predecessors or successors, and provides massage therapy 106  
as a portion of, and incidental to, barber services in 107  
accordance with Chapter 4709. of the Revised Code or cosmetology 108

<u>services in accordance with Chapter 4713. of the Revised Code;</u>	109
<u>(2) Is licensed by the board of nursing, or its</u>	110
<u>predecessors or successors, and provides massage therapy as a</u>	111
<u>portion of, and incidental to, nursing services in accordance</u>	112
<u>with Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code;</u>	113
<u>(3) Is licensed by the state medical board, or its</u>	114
<u>predecessors or successors, and provides massage therapy as a</u>	115
<u>portion of, and incidental to, medical services in accordance</u>	116
<u>with Chapter 4730. or 4731. of the Revised Code or acupuncture</u>	117
<u>in accordance with Chapter 4762. of the Revised Code;</u>	118
<u>(4) Is licensed by the state chiropractic board, or its</u>	119
<u>predecessors or successors, and provides massage therapy as a</u>	120
<u>portion of, and incidental to, chiropractic services in</u>	121
<u>accordance with Chapter 4734. of the Revised Code;</u>	122
<u>(5) Is licensed by the state medical board, or its</u>	123
<u>predecessors or successors, as a massage therapist in accordance</u>	124
<u>with Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code;</u>	125
<u>(6) Is licensed by the Ohio occupational therapy, physical</u>	126
<u>therapy, and athletic trainers board, or its predecessors or</u>	127
<u>successors, and provides massage therapy as a portion of, and</u>	128
<u>incidental to, services provided as an occupational therapist,</u>	129
<u>physical therapist, or athletic trainer in accordance with</u>	130
<u>Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code;</u>	131
<u>(7) Is enrolled and regularly and actively participating</u>	132
<u>in a program of study to achieve the training necessary to</u>	133
<u>obtain the massage therapist license specified in division (A)</u>	134
<u>(5) of this section and the program of study is in good standing</u>	135
<u>as determined by the state medical board.</u>	136
<u>(B) No person shall knowingly act as a massage therapist</u>	137

for a massage establishment located in the unincorporated area 138  
of the township without first having obtained a license from a 139  
board specified in division (A) of this section or without being 140  
a student as provided in division (A) (7) of this section. 141

(C) The massage establishment regulations may include any 142  
of the following: 143

(1) A requirement that the massage establishment fully 144  
comply with any applicable zoning resolution and amendments to 145  
the resolution that are adopted by the board under Chapter 519. 146  
of the Revised Code; 147

(2) Designated hours as prohibited hours of operation; 148

(3) The prohibitions set forth in division (B) of section 149  
503.42 of the Revised Code; 150

(4) Any other regulation considered by the board to be 151  
necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the township 152  
residents, subject to division (E) of section 503.41 of the 153  
Revised Code. 154

**Sec. 503.42.** If a board of township trustees has adopted a 155  
resolution under section 503.41 of the Revised Code that 156  
includes a permit requirement to operate a massage 157  
establishment: 158

(A) No person shall ~~engage in, conduct or carry on, or~~ 159  
~~permit to be engaged in, conducted or carried on in the~~ 160  
~~unincorporated areas of the township, the operation of~~ operate a 161  
massage establishment in the unincorporated areas of a township 162  
without first having obtained a permit from the board of 163  
township trustees as provided in section 503.43 of the Revised 164  
Code. 165

~~(B) No individual shall act as a masseur or masseuse for a  
massage establishment located in the unincorporated areas of the  
township without first having obtained a license from the board  
of township trustees as provided in section 503.45 of the  
Revised Code.~~ 166  
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~~(C) No owner or operator of a massage establishment  
located in the unincorporated ~~areas~~ area of the township shall  
knowingly do any of the following:~~ 171  
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~~(1) Employ an unlicensed masseur or masseuse as a massage  
therapist a person who does not meet one of the criteria listed  
in division (A) of section 503.411 of the Revised Code;~~ 174  
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~~(2) Refuse to allow appropriate state or local  
authorities, including police officers, access to the massage  
establishment for any health or safety inspection conducted  
pursuant to a massage establishment regulation or massage  
therapist registration requirement adopted by the township under  
section 503.41 of the Revised Code;~~ 177  
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~~(3) Operate during the hours designated as prohibited  
hours of operation by the board of township trustees;~~ 183  
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~~(4) Employ any person under the age of eighteen.~~ 185

~~(D) No person employed in a massage establishment located  
in the unincorporated area of the township shall knowingly do  
any of the following in the performance of duties at the massage  
establishment:~~ 186  
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~~(1) Place his or her hand upon, touch with any part of his  
or her body, fondle in any manner, or massage the sexual or  
genital area of any other person;~~ 190  
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~~(2) Perform, offer, or agree to perform any act which~~ 193

<del>would require the touching of the sexual or genital area of any</del>	194
<del>other person;</del>	195
<del>(3) Touch, offer, or agree to touch the sexual or genital</del>	196
<del>area of any other person with any mechanical or electrical</del>	197
<del>apparatus or appliance;</del>	198
<del>(4) Wear unclean clothing, no clothing, transparent</del>	199
<del>clothing, or clothing that otherwise reveals the sexual or</del>	200
<del>genital areas of the masseur or masseuse;</del>	201
<del>(5) Uncover or allow the sexual or genital area of any</del>	202
<del>other person to be uncovered while providing massages.</del>	203
<del>(E) No licensed masseur or masseuse shall accept or</del>	204
<del>continue employment at a massage establishment that does not</del>	205
<del>have a current, valid permit issued by the board of township</del>	206
<del>trustees.</del>	207
<b>Sec. 503.43.</b> If a board of township trustees has adopted a	208
resolution under section 503.41 of the Revised Code <u>that</u>	209
<u>includes a permit requirement to operate a massage</u>	210
<u>establishment</u> , the application for a permit to operate a massage	211
establishment shall be made to the board and shall include the	212
following:	213
(A) An initial, nonrefundable filing fee of two hundred	214
fifty dollars and an annual nonrefundable renewal fee of one	215
hundred twenty-five dollars;	216
(B) A health and safety report of an inspection of the	217
premises performed within thirty days of the application to	218
determine compliance with applicable health and safety codes,	219
which inspection appropriate state or local authorities acting	220
pursuant to an agreement with the board shall perform;	221



(C) The full name and address of any person applying for a permit, including any partner or limited partner of a partnership applicant, any officer or director of a corporate applicant, and any stock holder holding more than two per cent of the stock of a corporate applicant having less than a total of fifty employees or any stock holder holding more than twenty-five per cent of the stock of a corporate applicant having more than a total of fifty employees, the date of birth ~~and social-security number~~ of each individual, and the federal identification number of any partnership or corporation; 222-231

(D) Authorization for an investigation into the criminal record of any person applying for a permit; 232-233

(E) Proof that the massage establishment fully complies with any applicable zoning resolution and amendments to the resolution adopted by the board under Chapter 519. of the Revised Code; 234-237

(F) Any other information determined by the board to be necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the township residents, subject to division (E) of section 503.41 of the Revised Code. 238-241

A permit issued under this section to a massage establishment shall expire one year after the date of issuance, except that no massage establishment shall be required to discontinue business because of the failure of the board to act on a renewal application filed in a timely manner and pending before the board on the expiration date of the establishment's permit. Each permit shall contain the name of the applicant, the address of the massage establishment, and the expiration date of the permit. 242-250

**Sec. 503.44.** If a board of township trustees has adopted a 251  
resolution under section 503.41 of the Revised Code that 252  
includes a permit requirement to operate a massage 253  
establishment, it shall deny any application for a permit to 254  
operate a massage establishment or revoke, at any time, a 255  
previously issued permit, for any of the following reasons: 256

(A) Falsification of any of the information required for 257  
the application or failure to fully complete the application; 258

(B) Failure to cooperate with any required health or 259  
safety inspection; 260

(C) Any one of the persons named on the application is 261  
under the age of eighteen; 262

(D) Any one of the persons named on the application has 263  
been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any violation of Chapter 264  
2907. of the Revised Code, or any violation of any municipal 265  
ordinance that is substantially equivalent to any offense 266  
contained in Chapter 2907. of the Revised Code, within five 267  
years preceding the application; 268

~~(E) Any masseur or masseuse employed at the licensed 269  
massage establishment has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to 270  
a violation of division (D) of section 503.42 of the Revised 271  
Code. 272~~

**Sec. 503.47.** If a board of township trustees has adopted a 273  
resolution under section 503.41 of the Revised Code that 274  
includes a permit requirement to operate a massage 275  
establishment, the regulations adopted for that purpose may 276  
require any of the following: 277

(A) A massage establishment to display its current permit 278  
in an area open to the public; 279

(B) ~~Each massager~~ A massage establishment to display the 280  
~~massager's license~~ massage therapists' licenses to practice at 281  
all times in the areas of the massage establishment where ~~the~~ 282  
~~licensee is providing massages~~ massage therapy is provided; 283

(C) Massage establishments to undergo periodic health and 284  
safety inspections to determine continual compliance with 285  
applicable health and safety codes; 286

(D) ~~Massagers to undergo periodic physical examinations~~ 287  
~~performed by a licensed physician, a physician assistant, a~~ 288  
~~clinical nurse specialist, a certified nurse practitioner, or a~~ 289  
~~certified nurse-midwife certifying that the massager continues~~ 290  
~~to be free from communicable diseases;~~ 291

~~(E)~~ Any other requirement reasonably thought necessary by 292  
the board for the health, safety, and welfare of township 293  
residents, subject to division (E) of section 503.41 of the 294  
Revised Code. 295

**Sec. 503.48.** A board of township trustees acting under 296  
sections 503.40 to 503.49 of the Revised Code that has adopted a 297  
resolution under section 503.41 of the Revised Code need not 298  
hold any hearing in connection with an order denying or revoking 299  
a permit to operate a massage establishment ~~or masseur or~~ 300  
~~masseuse license~~. The board shall maintain a complete record of 301  
each proceeding and shall notify the applicant in writing of its 302  
order. Any person adversely affected by an order of the board 303  
denying or revoking a permit to operate a massage establishment 304  
~~or masseur or masseuse license~~ may appeal from the order of the 305  
board to the court of common pleas of the county in which the 306  
township is located, ~~the place of business of the permit holder~~ 307  
~~is located, or the person is a resident~~. The appeal shall be in 308  
accordance with Chapter 2506. of the Revised Code. 309

**Sec. 503.49.** If a board of township trustees has adopted a 310  
resolution under section 503.41 of the Revised Code that 311  
includes a permit requirement to operate a massage 312  
establishment, the board shall deposit the fees collected by the 313  
township for massage establishment permits ~~and masseur and~~ 314  
~~masseuse licenses~~ in the township general fund and first use the 315  
fees for the cost of administering and enforcing massage 316  
establishment regulations and massage therapist registration 317  
requirements adopted under section 503.41 of the Revised Code. 318

**Sec. 503.50.** (A) Whoever violates division (A) ~~or (B)~~ of 319  
section 503.42 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of 320  
the first degree. 321

(B) Whoever violates division (B) of section 503.411 or 322  
division (C), (D), or (E) (B) of section 503.42 of the Revised 323  
Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree. 324

**Sec. 715.61.** (A) As used in this section: 325

(1) "Massage establishment" has the same meaning as in 326  
section 503.40 of the Revised Code. 327

(2) "Massage therapy" has the same meaning as in section 328  
4731.04 of the Revised Code. 329

(B) Any municipal corporation may regulate and license 330  
manufacturers and dealers in explosives, chattel mortgage and 331  
salary loan brokers, peddlers, public ballrooms, scavengers, 332  
intelligence officers, billiard rooms, bowling alleys, livery, 333  
sale, and boarding stables, dancing or riding academies or 334  
schools, race courses, ball grounds, street musicians, 335  
secondhand dealers, junk shops, and all persons engaged in the 336  
trade, business, or profession of manicuring, ~~massaging,~~ or 337  
chiropody. In the granting of any license a municipal 338

corporation may charge such fees as the legislative authority 339  
deems proper and expedient. 340

(C) (1) A municipal corporation may regulate and license 341  
massage establishments within its jurisdiction and may require 342  
the registration of persons performing massage therapy at the 343  
massage establishment. 344

(2) If a municipal corporation regulates massage 345  
establishments under this section, the regulations shall include 346  
a requirement that all massage therapy performed in the massage 347  
establishment be performed by a person described in division (A) 348  
of section 503.411 of the Revised Code. 349

**Sec. 2927.17.** (A) No person, by means of a statement, 350  
solicitation, or offer in a print or electronic publication, 351  
sign, placard, storefront display, or other medium, shall 352  
advertise massage therapy, relaxation massage, any other massage 353  
technique or method, or any related service, with the suggestion 354  
or promise of sexual activity. 355

(B) Whoever violates this section is guilty of unlawful 356  
advertising of massage, a misdemeanor of the first degree. 357

(C) Nothing in this section prevents the legislative 358  
authority of a municipal corporation or township from enacting 359  
any regulation of the advertising of massage further than and in 360  
addition to the provisions of divisions (A) and (B) of this 361  
section. 362

(D) As used in this section, ~~"sexual:~~ 363

(1) "Massage therapy" has the same meaning as in section 364  
4731.04 of the Revised Code. 365

(2) "Sexual activity" has the same meaning as in section 366

2907.01 of the Revised Code.	367
<b>Sec. 4731.04.</b> As used in this chapter:	368
(A) "Fifth pathway training" means supervised clinical training obtained in the United States as a substitute for the internship or social service requirements of a foreign medical school.	369 370 371 372
(B) "Graduate medical education" means education received through any of the following:	373 374
(1) An internship, residency, or clinical fellowship program conducted in the United States and accredited by either the accreditation council for graduate medical education of the American medical association or the American osteopathic association;	375 376 377 378 379
(2) A clinical fellowship program that is not accredited as described in division (B)(1) of this section, but is conducted in the United States at an institution with a residency program that is accredited as described in that division and is in a clinical field the same as or related to the clinical field of the fellowship program;	380 381 382 383 384 385
(3) An internship program conducted in Canada and accredited by the committee on accreditation of preregistration physician training programs of the federation of provincial medical licensing authorities of Canada;	386 387 388 389
(4) A residency program conducted in Canada and accredited by either the royal college of physicians and surgeons of Canada or the college of family physicians of Canada.	390 391 392
(C) "Massage therapy" means the <del>treatment of disorders of the human body by the manipulation of soft tissue through the</del>	393 394

systematic external application of massage techniques including 395  
touch, stroking, friction, vibration, percussion, kneading, 396  
stretching, compression, and joint movements within the normal 397  
physiologic range of motion; and adjunctive thereto, the 398  
external application of water, heat, cold, topical preparations, 399  
and mechanical devices. 400

"Massage therapy" does not include the manipulation of the 401  
reproductive organs, perineum, rectum, or anus unless the action 402  
is undertaken pursuant to a prescription issued by a person who 403  
is authorized under this chapter to practice medicine and 404  
surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery or the action is 405  
performed under the supervision of such a physician. 406

**Sec. 4731.15.** (A) The state medical board also shall 407  
regulate the following limited branches of medicine: massage 408  
therapy, and to the extent specified in section 4731.151 of the 409  
Revised Code, naprapathy and mechanotherapy. The board shall 410  
adopt rules governing the limited branches of medicine under its 411  
jurisdiction. The rules shall be adopted in accordance with 412  
Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. 413

(B) A license to practice a limited branch of medicine 414  
issued by the state medical board is valid for a two-year period 415  
unless revoked or suspended and expires on the date that is two 416  
years after the date of issuance. The license may be renewed for 417  
additional two-year periods in accordance with division (C) of 418  
this section. 419

(C) Both of the following apply with respect to the 420  
renewal of licenses to practice a limited branch of medicine: 421

(1) Each person seeking to renew a license to practice a 422  
limited branch of medicine shall apply for biennial renewal with 423

the state medical board in a manner prescribed by the board. An 424  
applicant for renewal shall pay a biennial renewal fee of one 425  
hundred dollars. 426

(2) At least one month before a license expires, the board 427  
shall provide a renewal notice to the license holder. 428

(D) All persons who hold a license to practice a limited 429  
branch of medicine issued by the state medical board shall 430  
provide the board notice of any change of address. The notice 431  
shall be submitted to the board not later than thirty days after 432  
the change of address. 433

(E) A license to practice a limited branch of medicine 434  
shall be automatically suspended if the license holder fails to 435  
renew the license in accordance with division (C) of this 436  
section. Continued practice after the suspension of the license 437  
to practice shall be considered as practicing in violation of 438  
sections 4731.34 and 4731.41 of the Revised Code. 439

If a license has been suspended pursuant to this division 440  
for two years or less, it may be reinstated. The board shall 441  
reinstate the license upon an applicant's submission of a 442  
renewal application and payment of a reinstatement fee of one 443  
hundred twenty-five dollars. 444

If a license has been suspended pursuant to this division 445  
for more than two years, it may be restored. Subject to section 446  
4731.222 of the Revised Code, the board may restore the license 447  
upon an applicant's submission of a restoration application and 448  
a restoration fee of one hundred fifty dollars and compliance 449  
with sections 4776.01 to 4776.04 of the Revised Code. The board 450  
shall not restore to an applicant a license to practice unless 451  
the board, in its discretion, decides that the results of the 452



criminal records check do not make the applicant ineligible for 453  
a license issued pursuant to section 4731.17 of the Revised 454  
Code. 455

(F) The following persons are not required to hold a 456  
license to practice massage therapy issued under this chapter: 457

(1) A person authorized to practice under Chapter 4709., 458  
4713., 4723., 4730., 4734., 4755., or 4762. of the Revised Code, 459  
provided that the scope of practice authorizes the person to use 460  
massage techniques; 461

(2) An enrolled student practicing massage therapy as part 462  
of a program of study at a school, college, or institution in 463  
good standing as determined by the board in accordance with 464  
division (A) of section 4731.16 of the Revised Code; 465

(3) A person holding a license to practice cosmetic 466  
therapy issued under this chapter and whose practice may include 467  
massage techniques; 468

(4) Either of the following with respect to reflexology, 469  
which is a protocol of manual techniques that are applied to 470  
specific reflex areas on the feet, hands, and outer ears for the 471  
purpose of stimulating the complex neural pathways linking body 472  
systems to achieve optimal body function, including such manual 473  
techniques as thumb- and finger-walking as well as hook and 474  
backup and rotating-on-a-point: 475

(a) A person who holds a certification issued by the 476  
American reflexology certification board or its successor and is 477  
practicing reflexology; 478

(b) An enrolled student practicing reflexology as part of 479  
a program of study at a school, college, or institution with a 480  
certificate of registration issued by the state board of career 481

colleges and schools under section 3332.05 of the Revised Code. 482

**Sec. 4731.41.** (A) ~~No~~ Except as provided in division (F) of 483  
section 4731.15 of the Revised Code, no person shall practice 484  
medicine and surgery, or any of its branches, without the 485  
appropriate license or certificate from the state medical board 486  
to engage in the practice. No person shall advertise or claim to 487  
the public to be a practitioner of medicine and surgery, or any 488  
of its branches, without a license or certificate from the 489  
board. No person shall open or conduct an office or other place 490  
for such practice without a license or certificate from the 491  
board. No person shall conduct an office in the name of some 492  
person who has a license or certificate to practice medicine and 493  
surgery, or any of its branches. No person shall practice 494  
medicine and surgery, or any of its branches, after the person's 495  
license or certificate has been revoked, or, if suspended, 496  
during the time of such suspension. 497

A license or certificate signed by the secretary of the 498  
board to which is affixed the official seal of the board to the 499  
effect that it appears from the records of the board that no 500  
such license or certificate to practice medicine and surgery, or 501  
any of its branches, in this state has been issued to the person 502  
specified therein, or that a license or certificate to practice, 503  
if issued, has been revoked or suspended, shall be received as 504  
prima-facie evidence of the record of the board in any court or 505  
before any officer of the state. 506

(B) No license or certificate from the state medical board 507  
is required by a physician who comes into this state to practice 508  
medicine at a free-of-charge camp accredited by the SeriousFun 509  
children's network that specializes in providing therapeutic 510  
recreation, as defined in section 2305.231 of the Revised Code, 511

for individuals with chronic illnesses as long as all of the 512  
following apply: 513

(1) The physician provides documentation to the medical 514  
director of the camp that the physician is licensed and in good 515  
standing to practice medicine in another state; 516

(2) The physician provides services only at the camp or in 517  
connection with camp events or camp activities that occur off 518  
the grounds of the camp; 519

(3) The physician receives no compensation for the 520  
services; 521

(4) The physician provides those services within this 522  
state for not more than thirty days per calendar year; 523

(5) The camp has a medical director who holds an 524  
unrestricted license to practice medicine issued in accordance 525  
with division (A) of this section. 526

(C) Division (A) of this section does not apply to a 527  
person who meets both of the following conditions: 528

(1) The person holds in good standing a valid license to 529  
practice medicine and surgery issued by another state. 530

(2) The person is practicing as a volunteer without 531  
remuneration during a charitable event that lasts not more than 532  
seven days. 533

When a person meets the conditions of this division, the 534  
person shall be deemed authorized by the state medical board, 535  
during the course of the charitable event, to practice medicine 536  
and surgery and shall be subject to the provisions of this 537  
chapter authorizing the board to take disciplinary action 538  
against a physician. Not less than seven calendar days before 539

the first day of the charitable event, the person or the event's 540  
organizer shall notify the board of the person's intent to 541  
practice medicine and surgery at the event. During the course of 542  
the charitable event, the person's scope of practice is limited 543  
to the procedures that a physician authorized under this chapter 544  
to practice medicine and surgery is authorized to perform unless 545  
the person's scope of practice in the other state is more 546  
restrictive than in this state. If the latter is the case, the 547  
person's scope of practice is limited to the procedures that a 548  
physician in the other state may perform. 549

**Section 2.** That existing sections 503.40, 503.41, 503.42, 550  
503.43, 503.44, 503.47, 503.48, 503.49, 503.50, 715.61, 2927.17, 551  
4731.04, 4731.15, and 4731.41 of the Revised Code are hereby 552  
repealed. 553

**Section 3.** That sections 503.45 and 503.46 of the Revised 554  
Code are hereby repealed. 555