

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

April 14, 2026

Introduced by M. of A. HYNDMAN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to permitting massage therapists licensed and in good standing in another state or country to participate in certain continuing education programs

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 7805 of the education law is amended by adding a  
2 new subdivision 7 to read as follows:

3 7. A massage therapist licensed and in good standing in another state  
4 or country from participating in a demonstration of modalities and tech-  
5 niques that are within the practice of massage therapy in connection  
6 with a program of continuing education that is conducted by approved  
7 sponsors of continuing education by the department, provided that such  
8 person is under the on-site supervision of a person licensed to practice  
9 massage therapy or authorized to practice massage therapy under this  
10 article. Any massage therapist participating in a demonstration of  
11 modalities and techniques pursuant to this subdivision shall be subject  
12 to the personal and subject matter jurisdiction and disciplinary and  
13 regulatory authority of the board of regents as if they are a licensee  
14 and as if the exemption pursuant to this subdivision is a license. Such  
15 massage therapists shall comply with the provisions of this article, the  
16 rules of the board of regents, and the regulations of the commissioner,  
17 relating to professional misconduct, disciplinary proceedings and penal-  
18 ties for professional misconduct.

19 § 2. This act shall take effect one year after it shall have become a  
20 law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any  
21 rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its  
22 effective date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such  
23 effective date.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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