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## BEFORE THE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY STATE OF MONTANA

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In the matter of the amendment of ARM 24.155.604 licensure by examination, 24.155.608 licensure of out-of-state applicants, 24.155.801 continuing education requirements, 24.155.901 unprofessional conduct, and the adoption of NEW RULE I school instructors and assistants requiring a license in massage therapy and exemption NOTICE OF AMENDMENT AND ADOPTION

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On March 30, 2018, the Board of Massage Therapy (board) published MAR Notice No. 24-155-7 regarding the public hearing on the proposed amendment and adoption of the above-stated rules, at page 618 of the 2018 Montana Administrative Register, Issue No. 6.

2. On April 23, 2018, a public hearing was held on the proposed amendment and adoption of the above-stated rules in Helena. One comment was received by the April 27, 2018 deadline.

3. The board has thoroughly considered the comment received. A summary of the comment and the board response is as follows:

<u>COMMENT 1</u>: One commenter asked when the board will begin enforcing the new requirement in ARM 24.155.901 to display the licensee's license at the principal place of business. The commenter suggested the board allow licensees adequate time to come into compliance.

<u>RESPONSE 1</u>: All rules in this notice will be effective on May 26, 2018, the day following the adoption notice's publication date. The board decided not to enforce this rule until September 1, 2018, to allow licensees time to come into compliance and to coincide with the renewal period.

4. The board has amended ARM 155.604, 24.155.608, 24.155.801, and 24.155.901 exactly as proposed.

5. The board has adopted NEW RULE I (24.155.619) exactly as proposed.

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BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY ANNE GERGEN, CHAIRPERSON

<u>/s/ DARCEE L. MOE</u> Darcee L. Moe Rule Reviewer <u>/s/ GALEN HOLLENBAUGH</u> Galen Hollenbaugh, Commissioner DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

Certified to the Secretary of State May 15, 2018.