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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

C.S.H.B. 2747 amends current law relating to the licensing and regulation of massage therapy.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

Rulemaking authority is expressly granted to the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation in SECTION 1 (Section 455.207, Occupations Code) of this bill.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter E, Chapter 455, Occupations Code, by adding Section 455.207, as follows:

Sec. 455.207. POSTING OF CERTAIN NOTICES REQUIRED. (a) Requires each massage establishment and massage school to display in the form and manner prescribed by the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation (TCLR) a sign concerning services and assistance available to victims of human trafficking.

(b) Requires the sign required by this section to:

- (1) be in English, Spanish, Korean, Mandarin, and any other language required by TCLR rule;
- (2) include a toll-free telephone number of a nationally recognized information and referral hotline for victims of human trafficking; and
- (3) be displayed in a conspicuous place clearly visible to the public.

(c) Requires TCLR by rule to establish requirements regarding the posting of signs under this section.

SECTION 2. (a) Requires TCLR, not later than March 1, 2020, to adopt rules necessary to implement Section 455.207, Occupations Code as added by this Act.

(b) Requires a massage establishment, as defined by Section 455.001 (Definitions), Occupations Code, to comply with Section 455.207, Occupations Code, as added by this Act, not later than April 1, 2020.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2019.