



# SENATE BILL 311: Massage Board Membership.

2019-2020 General Assembly

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<b>Committee:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	December 12, 2019
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<b>Analysis of:</b>	S.L. 2019-114		

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**OVERVIEW:** *S.L. 2019-114 expands the current membership of the North Carolina Massage and Bodywork Therapy Board (the Board) to add a licensed operator of a massage and bodywork therapy establishment appointed by the Governor.*

*This act became effective July 11, 2019.*

## CURRENT LAW:

Prior to the enactment of the bill, the Board consisted of seven members as follows:

- Five licensed massage and bodywork therapists appointed by the Speaker of the House (two), President Pro Tempore of the Senate (two), and the Governor (one).
- One licensed physician or a once licensed physician whose license lapsed while in good standing and eligible for licensure, appointed by the Governor, possibly from a list provided by the North Carolina Medical Society.
- One member, appointed by the Governor, from the general public not licensed under Chapter 90 (Medicine, Allied Occupations) or the spouse of a person who is so licensed, or has any financial interest in the massage or bodywork therapy profession.

## BILL ANALYSIS:

**Section 1** adds a new member to the Board who is a licensed operator of a massage and bodywork therapy establishment to be appointed by the Governor.

**Section 2** makes the new member appointment under Section 1 effective July 1, 2019 and sets the expiration date on June 30, 2022. If at the time of the appointment, the Board has not begun to issue any establishment licenses, the appointee must be a current owner of a massage and bodywork therapy establishment.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The act became effective July 11, 2019.

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