



2025-2026 General Assembly

SENATE BILL 445: Regulatory Reform Act of 2026, Sec. 8: Clarify Exemption for Stretching Services at Massage and Bodywork Therapy Establishments.

Analysis of: S.L. 2026-59, Sec. 8

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Section 8 of S.L. 2026-59 (Senate Bill 445) defines "stretching services" and clarifies that a person who provides only stretching services, including a person who is employed by or contracts with a massage and bodywork therapy establishment, is not required to be licensed by the North Carolina Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy.

This section became effective August 11, 2026.

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