

AN ACT

relating to the eligibility requirements for a license as a massage establishment, massage school, massage therapist, or massage therapy instructor.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 455.152, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 455.152. INELIGIBILITY FOR LICENSE. A person is not eligible for a license as a massage establishment, massage school, massage therapist, or massage therapy instructor if the person is an individual and has been convicted of, entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to, or received deferred adjudication for:

(1) an offense under Chapter 20A, Section 22.011 or 22.021 [~~Penal Code~~], or Subchapter A, Chapter 43, Penal Code; ~~[7]~~ or

(2) another sexual offense.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2016 was passed by the House on April 19, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 148, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2016 was passed by the Senate on May 17, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor