H.B. No. 2016

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; [~~,~~] or

(2)  another sexual offense.

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

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    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.

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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.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED:  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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                  Governor