

Department of Planning and Budget

2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1121

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Robinson

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Massage therapists; qualifications; license.

5. Summary: Provides that an applicant who completed a massage therapy educational program in a foreign country may apply for licensure as a massage therapist upon submission of evidence that the applicant (i) is at least 18 years old, (ii) has successfully completed a massage therapy educational program that is comparable to a massage therapy educational program required for licensure by the Board, and (iii) has not been subject to disciplinary action that would result in denial of licensure. The Board of Nursing shall issue a license to an applicant who completed his massage therapy educational program in a foreign country upon and submits evidence of completion of the English-language version of the Licensing Examination of the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards or a comparable examination.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Cannot be determined, see item #8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The fiscal impact this bill would have on the Commonwealth cannot be determined. It is unknown how many massage therapy applicants from a foreign country would apply for licensure from the Board of Nursing.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Health Professions.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.