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VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY - CHAPTER

2 An Act to amend and reenact §§ 4.1-100, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective, 54.1-3000, 54.1-3001, 54.1-3005, 54.1-3005.1, 54.1-3008, 54.1-3029, and 54.1-3029.1 of the Code of 3 4 Virginia, relating to licensure of massage therapists.

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7 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 4.1-100, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective; 54.1-3000, 54.1-3001, 8

9 54.1-3005, 54.1-3005.1, 54.1-3008, 54.1-3029, and 54.1-3029.1 of the Code of Virginia are amended 10 and reenacted as follows: 11

§ 4.1-100. (Effective until July 1, 2018) Definitions.

As used in this title unless the context requires a different meaning:

13 "Alcohol" means the product known as ethyl or grain alcohol obtained by distillation of any fermented liquor, rectified either once or more often, whatever the origin, and shall include synthetic 14 15 ethyl alcohol, but shall not include methyl alcohol and alcohol completely denatured in accordance with formulas approved by the government of the United States. 16

"Alcohol vaporizing device" means any device, machine, or process that mixes any alcoholic 17 18 beverages with pure oxygen or other gas to produce a vaporized product for the purpose of consumption 19 by inhalation.

20 "Alcoholic beverages" includes alcohol, spirits, wine, and beer, and any one or more of such varieties 21 containing one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume, including mixed alcoholic beverages, and every liquid or solid, powder or crystal, patented or not, containing alcohol, spirits, wine, or beer 22 23 and capable of being consumed by a human being. Any liquid or solid containing more than one of the 24 four varieties shall be considered as belonging to that variety which has the higher percentage of 25 alcohol, however obtained, according to the order in which they are set forth in this definition; except 26 that beer may be manufactured to include flavoring materials and other nonbeverage ingredients 27 containing alcohol, as long as no more than 49 percent of the overall alcohol content of the finished product is derived from the addition of flavors and other nonbeverage ingredients containing alcohol for 28 29 products with an alcohol content of no more than six percent by volume; or, in the case of products 30 with an alcohol content of more than six percent by volume, as long as no more than one and one-half 31 percent of the volume of the finished product consists of alcohol derived from added flavors and other 32 nonbeverage ingredients containing alcohol.

33 "Art instruction studio" means any commercial establishment that provides to its customers all 34 required supplies and step-by-step instruction in creating a painting or other work of art during a studio 35 instructional session.

"Arts venue" means a commercial or nonprofit establishment that is open to the public and in which 36 37 works of art are sold or displayed. 38

"Barrel" means any container or vessel having a capacity of more than 43 ounces.

39 "Bed and breakfast establishment" means any establishment (i) having no more than 15 bedrooms; 40 (ii) offering to the public, for compensation, transitory lodging or sleeping accommodations; and (iii) 41 offering at least one meal per day, which may but need not be breakfast, to each person to whom 42 overnight lodging is provided.

43 "Beer" means any alcoholic beverage obtained by the fermentation of an infusion or decoction of 44 barley, malt, and hops or of any similar products in drinkable water and containing one-half of one 45 percent or more of alcohol by volume. 46

"Board" means the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board.

"Bottle" means any vessel intended to contain liquids and having a capacity of not more than 43 47 **48** ounces.

49 "Canal boat operator" means any nonprofit organization that operates tourism-oriented canal boats for 50 recreational purposes on waterways declared nonnavigable by the United States Congress pursuant to 33 51 U.S.C. § 59ii.

52 "Club" means any private nonprofit corporation or association which is the owner, lessee, or 53 occupant of an establishment operated solely for a national, social, patriotic, political, athletic, or other 54 like purpose, but not for pecuniary gain, the advantages of which belong to all of the members. It also 55 means the establishment so operated. A corporation or association shall not lose its status as a club 56 because of the conduct of charitable gaming conducted pursuant to Article 1.1:1 (§ 18.2-340.15 et seq.)

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of Chapter 8 of Title 18.2 in which nonmembers participate frequently or in large numbers, provided that no alcoholic beverages are served or consumed in the room where such charitable gaming is being conducted while such gaming is being conducted and that no alcoholic beverages are made available upon the premises to any person who is neither a member nor a bona fide guest of a member.

61 Any such corporation or association which has been declared exempt from federal and state income 62 taxes as one which is not organized and operated for pecuniary gain or profit shall be deemed a 63 nonprofit corporation or association.

64 "Container" means any barrel, bottle, carton, keg, vessel or other receptacle used for holding 65 alcoholic beverages.

66 "Contract winemaking facility" means the premises of a licensed winery or farm winery that obtains 67 grapes, fruits, and other agricultural products from a person holding a farm winery license and crushes, 68 processes, ferments, bottles, or provides any combination of such services pursuant to an agreement with the farm winery licensee. For all purposes of this title, wine produced by a contract winemaking facility 69 for a farm winery shall be considered to be wine owned and produced by the farm winery that supplied 70 the grapes, fruits, or other agricultural products used in the production of the wine. The contract 71 winemaking facility shall have no right to sell the wine so produced, unless the terms of payment have 72 73 not been fulfilled in accordance with the contract. The contract winemaking facility may charge the farm 74 winery for its services.

"Convenience grocery store" means an establishment which (i) has an enclosed room in a permanent
structure where stock is displayed and offered for sale and (ii) maintains an inventory of edible items
intended for human consumption consisting of a variety of such items of the types normally sold in
grocery stores.

"Day spa" means any commercial establishment that offers to the public both massage therapy, performed by persons certified *licensed* in accordance with § 54.1-3029, and barbering or cosmetology services performed by persons licensed in accordance with Chapter 7 (§ 54.1-700 et seq.) of Title 54.1.

82 "Designated area" means a room or area approved by the Board for on-premises licensees.

83 "Dining area" means a public room or area in which meals are regularly served.

84 "Establishment" means any place where alcoholic beverages of one or more varieties are lawfully85 manufactured, sold, or used.

"Farm winery" means an establishment (i) located on a farm in the Commonwealth with a producing 86 87 vineyard, orchard, or similar growing area and with facilities for fermenting and bottling wine on the premises where the owner or lessee manufactures wine that contains not more than 21 percent alcohol 88 89 by volume or (ii) located in the Commonwealth with a producing vineyard, orchard, or similar growing 90 area or agreements for purchasing grapes or other fruits from agricultural growers within the 91 Commonwealth, and with facilities for fermenting and bottling wine on the premises where the owner or 92 lessee manufactures wine that contains not more than 21 percent alcohol by volume. "Farm winery" includes an accredited public or private institution of higher education provided that (a) no wine 93 manufactured by the institution shall be sold, (b) the wine manufactured by the institution shall be used 94 95 solely for research and educational purposes, (c) the wine manufactured by the institution shall be stored 96 on the premises of such farm winery that shall be separate and apart from all other facilities of the 97 institution, and (d) such farm winery is operated in strict conformance with the requirements of this 98 sentence and Board regulations. As used in this definition, the terms "owner" and "lessee" shall include 99 a cooperative formed by an association of individuals for the purpose of manufacturing wine. In the event such cooperative is licensed as a farm winery, the term "farm" as used in this definition includes 100 101 all of the land owned or leased by the individual members of the cooperative as long as such land is 102 located in the Commonwealth.

"Gift shop" means any bona fide retail store selling, predominantly, gifts, books, souvenirs, specialty 103 104 items relating to history, original and handmade arts and products, collectibles, crafts, and floral arrangements, which is open to the public on a regular basis. Such shop shall be a permanent structure 105 106 where stock is displayed and offered for sale and which has facilities to properly secure any stock of 107 wine or beer. Such shop may be located (i) on the premises or grounds of a government registered 108 national, state or local historic building or site or (ii) within the premises of a museum. The Board shall 109 consider the purpose, characteristics, nature, and operation of the shop in determining whether it shall be 110 considered a gift shop.

111 "Gourmet brewing shop" means an establishment which sells to persons to whom wine or beer may 112 lawfully be sold, ingredients for making wine or brewing beer, including packaging, and rents to such 113 persons facilities for manufacturing, fermenting and bottling such wine or beer.

114 "Gourmet shop" means an establishment provided with adequate inventory, shelving, and storage 115 facilities, where, in consideration of payment, substantial amounts of domestic and imported wines and 116 beers of various types and sizes and related products such as cheeses and gourmet foods are habitually 117 furnished to persons.

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118 "Government store" means a store established by the Board for the sale of alcoholic beverages.

"Hotel" means any duly licensed establishment, provided with special space and accommodation,
where, in consideration of payment, food and lodging are habitually furnished to persons, and which has
four or more bedrooms. It shall also mean the person who operates such hotel.

"Interdicted person" means a person to whom the sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited by orderpursuant to this title.

124 "Internet wine retailer" means a person who owns or operates an establishment with adequate
125 inventory, shelving, and storage facilities, where, in consideration of payment, internet or telephone
126 orders are taken and shipped directly to consumers and which establishment is not a retail store open to
127 the public.

128 "Intoxicated" means a condition in which a person has drunk enough alcoholic beverages to 129 observably affect his manner, disposition, speech, muscular movement, general appearance or behavior.

130 "Licensed" means the holding of a valid license issued by the Board.

131 "Licensee" means any person to whom a license has been granted by the Board.

"Liqueur" means any of a class of highly flavored alcoholic beverages that do not exceed an alcoholcontent of 25 percent by volume.

134 "Low alcohol beverage cooler" means a drink containing one-half of one percent or more of alcohol 135 by volume, but not more than seven and one-half percent alcohol by volume, and consisting of spirits 136 mixed with nonalcoholic beverages or flavoring or coloring materials; it may also contain water, fruit 137 juices, fruit adjuncts, sugar, carbon dioxide, preservatives or other similar products manufactured by 138 fermenting fruit or fruit juices. Low alcohol beverage coolers shall be treated as wine for all purposes of 139 this title; except that low alcohol beverage coolers shall not be sold in localities that have not approved the sale of mixed beverages pursuant to \S 4.1-124. In addition, low alcohol beverage coolers shall not be 140 sold for on-premises consumption other than by mixed beverage licensees. 141

"Meal-assembly kitchen" means any commercial establishment that offers its customers, for
off-premises consumption, ingredients for the preparation of meals and entrees in professional kitchen
facilities located at the establishment.

145 "Meals" means, for a mixed beverage license, an assortment of foods commonly ordered in bona
146 fide, full-service restaurants as principal meals of the day. Such restaurants shall include establishments
147 specializing in full course meals with a single substantial entree.

148 "Member of a club" means (i) a person who maintains his membership in the club by the payment of 149 monthly, quarterly, or annual dues in the manner established by the rules and regulations thereof or (ii) 150 a person who is a member of a bona fide auxiliary, local chapter, or squadron composed of direct lineal 151 descendants of a bona fide member, whether alive or deceased, of a national or international 152 organization to which an individual lodge holding a club license is an authorized member in the same 153 locality. It shall also mean a lifetime member whose financial contribution is not less than 10 times the 154 annual dues of resident members of the club, the full amount of such contribution being paid in advance 155 in a lump sum.

156 "Mixed beverage" or "mixed alcoholic beverage" means a drink composed in whole or in part of157 spirits.

158 "Mixer" means any prepackaged ingredients containing beverages or flavoring or coloring materials,
159 and which may also contain water, fruit juices, fruit adjuncts, sugar, carbon dioxide, or preservatives
160 which are not commonly consumed unless combined with alcoholic beverages, whether or not such
161 ingredients contain alcohol. Such specialty beverage product shall be manufactured or distributed by a
162 Virginia corporation.

163 "Place or premises" means the real estate, together with any buildings or other improvements thereon,
164 designated in the application for a license as the place at which the manufacture, bottling, distribution,
165 use or sale of alcoholic beverages shall be performed, except that portion of any such building or other
166 improvement actually and exclusively used as a private residence.

167 "Public place" means any place, building, or conveyance to which the public has, or is permitted to
168 have, access, including restaurants, soda fountains, hotel dining areas, lobbies and corridors of hotels,
169 and any park, place of public resort or amusement, highway, street, lane, or sidewalk adjoining any
170 highway, street, or lane.

171 The term shall not include (i) hotel or restaurant dining areas or ballrooms while in use for private 172 meetings or private parties limited in attendance to members and guests of a particular group, 173 association or organization; (ii) restaurants licensed by the Board in office buildings or industrial or 174 similar facilities while such restaurant is closed to the public and in use for private meetings or parties 175 limited in attendance to employees and nonpaying guests of the owner or a lessee of all or part of such 176 building or facility; (iii) offices, office buildings or industrial facilities while closed to the public and in 177 use for private meetings or parties limited in attendance to employees and nonpaying guests of the owner or a lessee of all or part of such building or facility; or (iv) private recreational or chartered boats 178

179 which are not licensed by the Board and on which alcoholic beverages are not sold.

180 "Residence" means any building or part of a building or structure where a person resides, but does not include any part of a building which is not actually and exclusively used as a private residence, nor 181 182 any part of a hotel or club other than a private guest room thereof.

183 "Resort complex" means a facility (i) with a hotel owning year-round sports and recreational facilities 184 located contiguously on the same property or (ii) owned by a nonstock, nonprofit, taxable corporation with voluntary membership which, as its primary function, makes available golf, ski and other 185 recreational facilities both to its members and the general public. The hotel or corporation shall have a 186 187 minimum of 140 private guest rooms or dwelling units contained on not less than 50 acres. The Board 188 may consider the purpose, characteristics, and operation of the applicant establishment in determining 189 whether it shall be considered as a resort complex. All other pertinent qualifications established by the 190 Board for a hotel operation shall be observed by such licensee.

191 "Restaurant" means, for a beer, or wine and beer license or a limited mixed beverage restaurant 192 license, any establishment provided with special space and accommodation, where, in consideration of payment, meals or other foods prepared on the premises are regularly sold. 193

"Restaurant" means, for a mixed beverage license other than a limited mixed beverage restaurant 194 195 license, an established place of business (i) where meals with substantial entrees are regularly sold and 196 (ii) which has adequate facilities and sufficient employees for cooking, preparing, and serving such 197 meals for consumption at tables in dining areas on the premises, and includes establishments specializing 198 in full course meals with a single substantial entree.

199 "Sale" and "sell" includes soliciting or receiving an order for; keeping, offering or exposing for sale; 200 peddling, exchanging or bartering; or delivering otherwise than gratuitously, by any means, alcoholic 201 beverages.

202 "Sangria" means a drink consisting of red or white wine mixed with some combination of 203 sweeteners, fruit, fruit juice, soda, or soda water that may also be mixed with brandy, triple sec, or other 204 similar spirits.

"Special agent" means an employee of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control whom the 205 206 Board has designated as a law-enforcement officer pursuant to § 4.1-105.

207 "Special event" means an event sponsored by a duly organized nonprofit corporation or association 208 and conducted for an athletic, charitable, civic, educational, political, or religious purpose.

209 "Spirits" means any beverage which contains alcohol obtained by distillation mixed with drinkable 210 water and other substances, in solution, and includes, among other things, brandy, rum, whiskey, and gin, or any one or more of the last four named ingredients; but shall not include any such liquors 211 212 completely denatured in accordance with formulas approved by the United States government.

213 "Wine" means any alcoholic beverage obtained by the fermentation of the natural sugar content of 214 fruits or other agricultural products containing (i) sugar, including honey and milk, either with or 215 without additional sugar; (ii) one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume; and (iii) no product of distillation. The term includes any wine to which wine spirits have been added, as provided in the 216 217 Internal Revenue Code, to make products commonly known as "fortified wine" which do not exceed an 218 alcohol content of 21 percent by volume.

219 "Wine cooler" means a drink containing one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume, and 220 not more than three and two-tenths percent of alcohol by weight or four percent by volume consisting of 221 wine mixed with nonalcoholic beverages or flavoring or coloring materials, and which may also contain 222 water, fruit juices, fruit adjuncts, sugar, carbon dioxide, or preservatives and shall include other similar 223 products manufactured by fermenting fruit or fruit juices. Wine coolers and similar fermented fruit juice 224 beverages shall be treated as wine for all purposes except for taxation under § 4.1-236.

225 "With or without meals" means the selling and serving of alcoholic beverages by retail licensees for 226 on-premises consumption whether or not accompanied by food so long as the total food-beverage ratio 227 required by § 4.1-210, or the monthly food sale requirement established by Board regulation, is met by 228 such retail licensee. 229

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As used in this title unless the context requires a different meaning:

231 "Alcohol" means the product known as ethyl or grain alcohol obtained by distillation of any fermented liquor, rectified either once or more often, whatever the origin, and shall include synthetic 232 233 ethyl alcohol, but shall not include methyl alcohol and alcohol completely denatured in accordance with 234 formulas approved by the government of the United States.

235 "Alcohol vaporizing device" means any device, machine, or process that mixes any alcoholic 236 beverages with pure oxygen or other gas to produce a vaporized product for the purpose of consumption 237 by inhalation.

238 "Alcoholic beverages" includes alcohol, spirits, wine, and beer, and any one or more of such varieties 239 containing one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume, including mixed alcoholic beverages,

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240 and every liquid or solid, powder or crystal, patented or not, containing alcohol, spirits, wine, or beer and capable of being consumed by a human being. Any liquid or solid containing more than one of the 241 242 four varieties shall be considered as belonging to that variety which has the higher percentage of 243 alcohol, however obtained, according to the order in which they are set forth in this definition; except 244 that beer may be manufactured to include flavoring materials and other nonbeverage ingredients 245 containing alcohol, as long as no more than 49 percent of the overall alcohol content of the finished 246 product is derived from the addition of flavors and other nonbeverage ingredients containing alcohol for 247 products with an alcohol content of no more than six percent by volume; or, in the case of products 248 with an alcohol content of more than six percent by volume, as long as no more than one and one-half 249 percent of the volume of the finished product consists of alcohol derived from added flavors and other 250 nonbeverage ingredients containing alcohol.

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 required supplies and step-by-step instruction in creating a painting or other work of art during a studio
 instructional session.

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"Authority" means the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority created pursuant to this title.

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"Bed and breakfast establishment" means any establishment (i) having no more than 15 bedrooms;
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offering at least one meal per day, which may but need not be breakfast, to each person to whom overnight lodging is provided.

"Beer" means any alcoholic beverage obtained by the fermentation of an infusion or decoction of
barley, malt, and hops or of any similar products in drinkable water and containing one-half of one
percent or more of alcohol by volume.

265 "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority.

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 taxes as one which is not organized and operated for pecuniary gain or profit shall be deemed a
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295 structure where stock is displayed and offered for sale and (ii) maintains an inventory of edible items
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301 "Designated area" means a room or area approved by the Board for on-premises licensees.

302 "Dining area" means a public room or area in which meals are regularly served.

303 "Establishment" means any place where alcoholic beverages of one or more varieties are lawfully 304 manufactured, sold, or used.

305 "Farm winery" means an establishment (i) located on a farm in the Commonwealth with a producing 306 vineyard, orchard, or similar growing area and with facilities for fermenting and bottling wine on the premises where the owner or lessee manufactures wine that contains not more than 21 percent alcohol 307 308 by volume or (ii) located in the Commonwealth with a producing vineyard, or similar growing area or agreements for purchasing grapes or other fruits from agricultural growers within the 309 Commonwealth, and with facilities for fermenting and bottling wine on the premises where the owner or 310 lessee manufactures wine that contains not more than 21 percent alcohol by volume. "Farm winery" 311 includes an accredited public or private institution of higher education provided that (a) no wine 312 manufactured by the institution shall be sold, (b) the wine manufactured by the institution shall be used 313 solely for research and educational purposes, (c) the wine manufactured by the institution shall be stored 314 on the premises of such farm winery that shall be separate and apart from all other facilities of the 315 institution, and (d) such farm winery is operated in strict conformance with the requirements of this 316 317 sentence and Board regulations. As used in this definition, the terms "owner" and "lessee" shall include 318 a cooperative formed by an association of individuals for the purpose of manufacturing wine. In the event such cooperative is licensed as a farm winery, the term "farm" as used in this definition includes 319 320 all of the land owned or leased by the individual members of the cooperative as long as such land is 321 located in the Commonwealth.

322 "Gift shop" means any bona fide retail store selling, predominantly, gifts, books, souvenirs, specialty 323 items relating to history, original and handmade arts and products, collectibles, crafts, and floral arrangements, which is open to the public on a regular basis. Such shop shall be a permanent structure 324 325 where stock is displayed and offered for sale and which has facilities to properly secure any stock of wine or beer. Such shop may be located (i) on the premises or grounds of a government registered 326 national, state or local historic building or site or (ii) within the premises of a museum. The Board shall 327 328 consider the purpose, characteristics, nature, and operation of the shop in determining whether it shall be considered a gift shop. 329

330 "Gourmet brewing shop" means an establishment which sells to persons to whom wine or beer may 331 lawfully be sold, ingredients for making wine or brewing beer, including packaging, and rents to such 332 persons facilities for manufacturing, fermenting and bottling such wine or beer.

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"Government store" means a store established by the Authority for the sale of alcoholic beverages.

338 "Hotel" means any duly licensed establishment, provided with special space and accommodation, 339 where, in consideration of payment, food and lodging are habitually furnished to persons, and which has 340 four or more bedrooms. It shall also mean the person who operates such hotel.

341 "Interdicted person" means a person to whom the sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited by order 342 pursuant to this title.

343 "Internet wine retailer" means a person who owns or operates an establishment with adequate 344 inventory, shelving, and storage facilities, where, in consideration of payment, internet or telephone 345 orders are taken and shipped directly to consumers and which establishment is not a retail store open to the public. 346

347 "Intoxicated" means a condition in which a person has drunk enough alcoholic beverages to 348 observably affect his manner, disposition, speech, muscular movement, general appearance or behavior.

349 "Licensed" means the holding of a valid license granted by the Authority. 350

"Licensee" means any person to whom a license has been granted by the Authority.

351 "Liqueur" means any of a class of highly flavored alcoholic beverages that do not exceed an alcohol content of 25 percent by volume. 352

"Low alcohol beverage cooler" means a drink containing one-half of one percent or more of alcohol 353 354 by volume, but not more than seven and one-half percent alcohol by volume, and consisting of spirits mixed with nonalcoholic beverages or flavoring or coloring materials; it may also contain water, fruit 355 juices, fruit adjuncts, sugar, carbon dioxide, preservatives or other similar products manufactured by 356 fermenting fruit or fruit juices. Low alcohol beverage coolers shall be treated as wine for all purposes of 357 358 this title; except that low alcohol beverage coolers shall not be sold in localities that have not approved 359 the sale of mixed beverages pursuant to § 4.1-124. In addition, low alcohol beverage coolers shall not be 360 sold for on-premises consumption other than by mixed beverage licensees.

"Meal-assembly kitchen" means any commercial establishment that offers its customers, for 361

362 off-premises consumption, ingredients for the preparation of meals and entrees in professional kitchen363 facilities located at the establishment.

364 "Meals" means, for a mixed beverage license, an assortment of foods commonly ordered in bona
365 fide, full-service restaurants as principal meals of the day. Such restaurants shall include establishments
366 specializing in full course meals with a single substantial entree.

367 "Member of a club" means (i) a person who maintains his membership in the club by the payment of 368 monthly, quarterly, or annual dues in the manner established by the rules and regulations thereof or (ii) 369 a person who is a member of a bona fide auxiliary, local chapter, or squadron composed of direct lineal 370 descendants of a bona fide member, whether alive or deceased, of a national or international 371 organization to which an individual lodge holding a club license is an authorized member in the same 372 locality. It shall also mean a lifetime member whose financial contribution is not less than 10 times the 373 annual dues of resident members of the club, the full amount of such contribution being paid in advance 374 in a lump sum.

375 "Mixed beverage" or "mixed alcoholic beverage" means a drink composed in whole or in part of376 spirits.

377 "Mixer" means any prepackaged ingredients containing beverages or flavoring or coloring materials,
378 and which may also contain water, fruit juices, fruit adjuncts, sugar, carbon dioxide, or preservatives
379 which are not commonly consumed unless combined with alcoholic beverages, whether or not such ingredients contain alcohol. Such specialty beverage product shall be manufactured or distributed by a
381 Virginia corporation.

³⁸² "Place or premises" means the real estate, together with any buildings or other improvements thereon,
³⁸³ designated in the application for a license as the place at which the manufacture, bottling, distribution,
³⁸⁴ use or sale of alcoholic beverages shall be performed, except that portion of any such building or other
³⁸⁵ improvement actually and exclusively used as a private residence.

386 "Principal stockholder" means any person who individually or in concert with his spouse and 387 immediate family members beneficially owns or controls, directly or indirectly, five percent or more of 388 the equity ownership of any person that is a licensee of the Authority, or who in concert with his spouse 389 and immediate family members has the power to vote or cause the vote of five percent or more of any 390 such equity ownership. "Principal stockholder" does not include a broker-dealer registered under the 391 Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that holds in inventory shares for sale on the financial 392 markets for a publicly traded corporation holding, directly or indirectly, a license from the Authority.

"Public place" means any place, building, or conveyance to which the public has, or is permitted to
have, access, including restaurants, soda fountains, hotel dining areas, lobbies and corridors of hotels,
and any park, place of public resort or amusement, highway, street, lane, or sidewalk adjoining any
highway, street, or lane.

397 The term shall not include (i) hotel or restaurant dining areas or ballrooms while in use for private 398 meetings or private parties limited in attendance to members and guests of a particular group, 399 association or organization; (ii) restaurants licensed by the Authority in office buildings or industrial or 400 similar facilities while such restaurant is closed to the public and in use for private meetings or parties limited in attendance to employees and nonpaying guests of the owner or a lessee of all or part of such 401 402 building or facility; (iii) offices, office buildings or industrial facilities while closed to the public and in 403 use for private meetings or parties limited in attendance to employees and nonpaying guests of the **404** owner or a lessee of all or part of such building or facility; or (iv) private recreational or chartered boats 405 which are not licensed by the Board and on which alcoholic beverages are not sold.

406 "Residence" means any building or part of a building or structure where a person resides, but does not include any part of a building which is not actually and exclusively used as a private residence, nor any part of a hotel or club other than a private guest room thereof.

409 "Resort complex" means a facility (i) with a hotel owning year-round sports and recreational facilities 410 located contiguously on the same property or (ii) owned by a nonstock, nonprofit, taxable corporation with voluntary membership which, as its primary function, makes available golf, ski and other 411 412 recreational facilities both to its members and the general public. The hotel or corporation shall have a 413 minimum of 140 private guest rooms or dwelling units contained on not less than 50 acres. The 414 Authority may consider the purpose, characteristics, and operation of the applicant establishment in 415 determining whether it shall be considered as a resort complex. All other pertinent qualifications 416 established by the Board for a hotel operation shall be observed by such licensee.

417 "Restaurant" means, for a beer, or wine and beer license or a limited mixed beverage restaurant
418 license, any establishment provided with special space and accommodation, where, in consideration of
419 payment, meals or other foods prepared on the premises are regularly sold.

420 "Restaurant" means, for a mixed beverage license other than a limited mixed beverage restaurant
421 license, an established place of business (i) where meals with substantial entrees are regularly sold and
422 (ii) which has adequate facilities and sufficient employees for cooking, preparing, and serving such

423 meals for consumption at tables in dining areas on the premises, and includes establishments specializing 424 in full course meals with a single substantial entree.

"Sale" and "sell" includes soliciting or receiving an order for; keeping, offering or exposing for sale; 425 426 peddling, exchanging or bartering; or delivering otherwise than gratuitously, by any means, alcoholic 427 beverages.

428 "Sangria" means a drink consisting of red or white wine mixed with some combination of 429 sweeteners, fruit, fruit juice, soda, or soda water that may also be mixed with brandy, triple sec, or other 430 similar spirits.

"Special agent" means an employee of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority whom the 431 432 Board has designated as a law-enforcement officer pursuant to § 4.1-105.

433 "Special event" means an event sponsored by a duly organized nonprofit corporation or association 434 and conducted for an athletic, charitable, civic, educational, political, or religious purpose.

435 "Spirits" means any beverage which contains alcohol obtained by distillation mixed with drinkable 436 water and other substances, in solution, and includes, among other things, brandy, rum, whiskey, and 437 gin, or any one or more of the last four named ingredients; but shall not include any such liquors 438 completely denatured in accordance with formulas approved by the United States government.

439 "Wine" means any alcoholic beverage obtained by the fermentation of the natural sugar content of 440 fruits or other agricultural products containing (i) sugar, including honey and milk, either with or 441 without additional sugar; (ii) one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume; and (iii) no product 442 of distillation. The term includes any wine to which wine spirits have been added, as provided in the 443 Internal Revenue Code, to make products commonly known as "fortified wine" which do not exceed an 444 alcohol content of 21 percent by volume.

445 "Wine cooler" means a drink containing one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume, and 446 not more than three and two-tenths percent of alcohol by weight or four percent by volume consisting of 447 wine mixed with nonalcoholic beverages or flavoring or coloring materials, and which may also contain water, fruit juices, fruit adjuncts, sugar, carbon dioxide, or preservatives and shall include other similar products manufactured by fermenting fruit or fruit juices. Wine coolers and similar fermented fruit juice **448** 449 450 beverages shall be treated as wine for all purposes except for taxation under § 4.1-236.

451 "With or without meals" means the selling and serving of alcoholic beverages by retail licensees for 452 on-premises consumption whether or not accompanied by food so long as the total food-beverage ratio required by § 4.1-210, or the monthly food sale requirement established by Board regulation, is met by 453 454 such retail licensee. 455

§ 54.1-3000. Definitions.

456 As used in this chapter, unless the context requires a different meaning:

"Board" means the Board of Nursing. 457

458 "Certified nurse aide" means a person who meets the qualifications specified in this article and who 459 is currently certified by the Board.

460 "Clinical nurse specialist" means a person who is registered by the Board in addition to holding a license under the provisions of this chapter to practice professional nursing as defined in this section. 461 462 Such a person shall be recognized as being able to provide advanced services according to the 463 specialized training received from a program approved by the Board, but shall not be entitled to perform any act that is not within the scope of practice of professional nursing. 464

"Certified massage Massage therapist" means a person who meets the qualifications specified in this 465 chapter and who is currently certified licensed by the Board. 466

'Massage therapy'' means the treatment of soft tissues for therapeutic purposes by the application of 467 468 massage and bodywork techniques based on the manipulation or application of pressure to the muscular 469 structure or soft tissues of the human body. The terms term "massage therapy" and "therapeutic 470 massage" do does not include the diagnosis or treatment of illness or disease or any service or procedure 471 for which a license to practice medicine, nursing, *midwifery*, chiropractic therapy, physical therapy, 472 occupational therapy, acupuncture, athletic training, or podiatry is required by law any service described 473 in § 54.1-3001(18). 474

"Massage therapy" shall not include manipulation of the spine or joints.

475 "Nurse practitioner" means an advanced practice registered nurse who is jointly licensed by the Boards of Medicine and Nursing pursuant to § 54.1-2957. 476

"Practical nurse" or "licensed practical nurse" means a person who is licensed or holds a multistate 477 478 licensure privilege under the provisions of this chapter to practice practical nursing as defined in this 479 section. Such a licensee shall be empowered to provide nursing services without compensation. The 480 abbreviation "L.P.N." shall stand for such terms.

481 "Practical nursing" or "licensed practical nursing" means the performance for compensation of selected nursing acts in the care of individuals or groups who are ill, injured, or experiencing changes in 482 normal health processes; in the maintenance of health; in the prevention of illness or disease; or, subject 483

484 to such regulations as the Board may promulgate, in the teaching of those who are or will be nurse 485 aides. Practical nursing or licensed practical nursing requires knowledge, judgment and skill in nursing 486 procedures gained through prescribed education. Practical nursing or licensed practical nursing is 487 performed under the direction or supervision of a licensed medical practitioner, a professional nurse, 488 registered nurse or registered professional nurse or other licensed health professional authorized by 489 regulations of the Board.

490 "Practice of a nurse aide" or "nurse aide practice" means the performance of services requiring the 491 education, training, and skills specified in this chapter for certification as a nurse aide. Such services are 492 performed under the supervision of a dentist, physician, podiatrist, professional nurse, licensed practical 493 nurse, or other licensed health care professional acting within the scope of the requirements of his 494 profession.

495 "Professional nurse," "registered nurse" or "registered professional nurse" means a person who is 496 licensed or holds a multistate licensure privilege under the provisions of this chapter to practice professional nursing as defined in this section. Such a licensee shall be empowered to provide 497 498 professional services without compensation, to promote health and to teach health to individuals and 499 groups. The abbreviation "R.N." shall stand for such terms.

500 "Professional nursing," "registered nursing" or "registered professional nursing" means the 501 performance for compensation of any nursing acts in the observation, care and counsel of individuals or 502 groups who are ill, injured or experiencing changes in normal health processes or the maintenance of 503 health; in the prevention of illness or disease; in the supervision and teaching of those who are or will 504 be involved in nursing care; in the delegation of selected nursing tasks and procedures to appropriately 505 trained unlicensed persons as determined by the Board; or in the administration of medications and 506 treatments as prescribed by any person authorized by law to prescribe such medications and treatment. 507 Professional nursing, registered nursing and registered professional nursing require specialized education, 508 judgment, and skill based upon knowledge and application of principles from the biological, physical, 509 social, behavioral and nursing sciences. 510

§ 54.1-3001. Exemptions.

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This chapter shall not apply to the following:

1. The furnishing of nursing assistance in an emergency;

513 2. The practice of nursing, which is prescribed as part of a study program, by nursing students enrolled in nursing education programs approved by the Board or by graduates of approved nursing 514 515 education programs for a period not to exceed ninety days following successful completion of the nursing education program pending the results of the licensing examination, provided proper application 516 517 and fee for licensure have been submitted to the Board and unless the graduate fails the licensing 518 examination within the 90-day period;

519 3. The practice of any legally qualified nurse of another state who is employed by the United States 520 government while in the discharge of his official duties;

521 4. The practice of nursing by a nurse who holds a current unrestricted license in another state, the 522 District of Columbia, a United States possession or territory, or who holds a current unrestricted license 523 in Canada and whose training was obtained in a nursing school in Canada where English was the primary language, for a period of 30 days pending licensure in Virginia, if the nurse, upon employment, 524 525 has furnished the employer satisfactory evidence of current licensure and submits proper application and 526 fees to the Board for licensure before, or within 10 days after, employment. At the discretion of the 527 Board, additional time may be allowed for nurses currently licensed in another state, the District of 528 Columbia, a United States possession or territory, or Canada who are in the process of attaining the 529 qualification for licensure in this Commonwealth;

530 5. The practice of nursing by any registered nurse who holds a current unrestricted license in another 531 state, the District of Columbia, or a United States possession or territory, or a nurse who holds an 532 equivalent credential in a foreign country, while enrolled in an advanced professional nursing program 533 requiring clinical practice. This exemption extends only to clinical practice required by the curriculum;

534 6. The practice of nursing by any nurse who holds a current unrestricted license in another state, the 535 District of Columbia, or a United States possession or territory and is employed to provide care to any 536 private individual while such private individual is traveling through or temporarily staying, as defined in 537 the Board's regulations, in the Commonwealth;

538 7. General care of the sick by nursing assistants, companions or domestic servants that does not 539 constitute the practice of nursing as defined in this chapter;

540 8. The care of the sick when done solely in connection with the practice of religious beliefs by the 541 adherents and which is not held out to the public to be licensed practical or professional nursing;

542 9. Any employee of a school board, authorized by a prescriber and trained in the administration of 543 insulin and glucagon, when, upon the authorization of a prescriber and the written request of the parents 544 as defined in § 22.1-1, assisting with the administration of insulin or administrating glucagon to a

545 student diagnosed as having diabetes and who requires insulin injections during the school day or for 546 whom glucagon has been prescribed for the emergency treatment of hypoglycemia;

547 10. The practice of nursing by any nurse who is a graduate of a foreign nursing school and has met 548 the credential, language, and academic testing requirements of the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools for a period not to exceed ninety days from the date of approval of an application 549 550 submitted to the Board when such nurse is working as a nonsupervisory staff nurse in a licensed nursing 551 home or certified nursing facility. During such ninety-day period, such nurse shall take and pass the 552 licensing examination to remain eligible to practice nursing in Virginia; no exemption granted under this 553 subdivision shall be extended;

554 11. The practice of nursing by any nurse rendering free health care to an underserved population in 555 Virginia who (i) does not regularly practice nursing in Virginia, (ii) holds a current valid license or 556 certification to practice nursing in another state, territory, district or possession of the United States, (iii) 557 volunteers to provide free health care to an underserved area of this Commonwealth under the auspices 558 of a publicly supported all volunteer, nonprofit organization that sponsors the provision of health care to 559 populations of underserved people, (iv) files a copy of the license or certification issued in such other jurisdiction with the Board, (v) notifies the Board at least five business days prior to the voluntary 560 provision of services of the dates and location of such service, and (vi) acknowledges, in writing, that 561 562 such licensure exemption shall only be valid, in compliance with the Board's regulations, during the 563 limited period that such free health care is made available through the volunteer, nonprofit organization 564 on the dates and at the location filed with the Board. The Board may deny the right to practice in 565 Virginia to any nurse whose license or certificate has been previously suspended or revoked, who has 566 been convicted of a felony or who is otherwise found to be in violation of applicable laws or 567 regulations. However, the Board shall allow a nurse who meets the above criteria to provide volunteer 568 services without prior notice for a period of up to three days, provided the nonprofit organization 569 verifies that the practitioner has a valid, unrestricted license in another state;

570 12. Any person performing state or federally funded health care tasks directed by the consumer, which are typically self-performed, for an individual who lives in a private residence and who, by reason of disability, is unable to perform such tasks but who is capable of directing the appropriate 571 572 573 performance of such tasks; or

574 13. The practice of nursing by any nurse who holds a current unrestricted license from another state, 575 the District of Columbia or a United States possession or territory, while such nurse is in the 576 Commonwealth temporarily and is practicing nursing in a summer camp or in conjunction with clients 577 who are participating in specified recreational or educational activities;

578 14. The practice of massage therapy that is an integral part of a program of study by a student 579 enrolled in a massage therapy educational program under the direction of a licensed massage therapist. 580 Any student enrolled in a massage therapy educational program shall be identified as a "Student Massage Therapist" and shall deliver massage therapy under the supervision of an appropriate clinical 581 582 instructor recognized by the educational program;

583 15. The practice of massage therapy by a massage therapist licensed or certified in good standing in **584** another state, the District of Columbia, or another country, while such massage therapist is volunteering 585 at a sporting or recreational event or activity, is responding to a disaster or emergency declared by the 586 appropriate authority, is travelling with an out-of-state athletic team or an athlete for the duration of 587 the athletic tournament, game, or event in which the team or athlete is competing, or is engaged in 588 educational seminars;

589 16. Any person providing services related to the domestic care of any family member or household 590 member so long as that person does not offer, hold out, or claim to be a massage therapist; or

591 17. Any health care professional licensed or certified under this title for which massage therapy is a 592 component of his practice.

593 18. Any individual who provides stroking of the hands, feet, or ears or the use of touch, words, and 594 directed movement including healing touch, therapeutic touch, mind-body centering, orthobionomy, 595 traeger therapy, reflexology, polarity therapy, reiki, qigong, muscle activation techniques, or practices 596 with the primary purpose of affecting energy systems of the human body. 597

§ 54.1-3005. Specific powers and duties of Board.

598 In addition to the general powers and duties conferred in this title, the Board shall have the 599 following specific powers and duties:

600 1. To prescribe minimum standards and approve curricula for educational programs preparing persons 601 for licensure or certification under this chapter;

602 2. To approve programs that meet the requirements of this chapter and of the Board;

603 3. To provide consultation service for educational programs as requested;

4. To provide for periodic surveys of educational programs; 604

605 5. To deny or withdraw approval from educational programs for failure to meet prescribed standards;

606 6. To provide consultation regarding nursing practice for institutions and agencies as requested and 607 investigate illegal nursing practices;

608 7. To keep a record of all its proceedings;

609 8. To certify and maintain a registry of all certified nurse aides and to promulgate regulations 610 consistent with federal law and regulation. The Board shall require all schools to demonstrate their 611 compliance with § 54.1-3006.2 upon application for approval or reapproval, during an on-site visit, or in 612 response to a complaint or a report of noncompliance. The Board may impose a fee pursuant to 613 § 54.1-2401 for any violation thereof. Such regulations may include standards for the authority of 614 licensed practical nurses to teach nurse aides;

615 9. To approve programs that entitle professional nurses to be registered as clinical nurse specialists 616 and to prescribe minimum standards for such programs;

617 10. To maintain a registry of clinical nurse specialists and to promulgate regulations governing 618 clinical nurse specialists;

619 11. To certify *license* and maintain a registry of all certified *licensed* massage therapists and to
 620 promulgate regulations governing the criteria for certification *licensure* as a massage therapist and the
 621 standards of professional conduct for certified *licensed* massage therapists;

622 12. To promulgate regulations for the delegation of certain nursing tasks and procedures not involving assessment, evaluation or nursing judgment to an appropriately trained unlicensed person by and under the supervision of a registered nurse, who retains responsibility and accountability for such delegation;

626 13. To develop and revise as may be necessary, in coordination with the Boards of Medicine and
627 Education, guidelines for the training of employees of a school board in the administration of insulin
628 and glucagon for the purpose of assisting with routine insulin injections and providing emergency
629 treatment for life-threatening hypoglycemia. The first set of such guidelines shall be finalized by
630 September 1, 1999, and shall be made available to local school boards for a fee not to exceed the costs
631 of publication;

632 14. To enter into the Nurse Licensure Compact as set forth in this chapter and to promulgate633 regulations for its implementation;

634 15. To collect, store and make available nursing workforce information regarding the various635 categories of nurses certified, licensed or registered pursuant to § 54.1-3012.1;

636 16. To expedite application processing, to the extent possible, for an applicant for licensure or
637 certification by the Board upon submission of evidence that the applicant, who is licensed or certified in
638 another state, is relocating to the Commonwealth pursuant to a spouse's official military orders;

639 17. To register medication aides and promulgate regulations governing the criteria for such640 registration and standards of conduct for medication aides;

641 18. To approve training programs for medication aides to include requirements for instructional642 personnel, curriculum, continuing education, and a competency evaluation;

643 19. To set guidelines for the collection of data by all approved nursing education programs and to
644 compile this data in an annual report. The data shall include but not be limited to enrollment, graduation
645 rate, attrition rate, and number of qualified applicants who are denied admission;

646 20. To develop, in consultation with the Board of Pharmacy, guidelines for the training of employees
647 of child day programs as defined in § 63.2-100 and regulated by the State Board of Social Services in
648 the administration of prescription drugs as defined in the Drug Control Act (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.). Such
649 training programs shall be taught by a registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, doctor of medicine or
650 osteopathic medicine, or pharmacist;

651 21. In order to protect the privacy and security of health professionals licensed, registered or certified
652 under this chapter, to promulgate regulations permitting use on identification badges of first name and
653 first letter only of last name and appropriate title when practicing in hospital emergency departments, in
654 psychiatric and mental health units and programs, or in health care facility units offering treatment for
655 patients in custody of state or local law-enforcement agencies;

656 22. To revise, as may be necessary, guidelines for seizure management, in coordination with the
657 Board of Medicine, including the list of rescue medications for students with epilepsy and other seizure
658 disorders in the public schools. The revised guidelines shall be finalized and made available to the
659 Board of Education by August 1, 2010. The guidelines shall then be posted on the Department of
660 Education's website; and

23. To promulgate, together with the Board of Medicine, regulations governing the licensure of nursepractitioners pursuant to § 54.1-2957.

663 § 54.1-3005.1. Criminal history background checks.

664 The Board shall require each applicant for licensure as a practical nurse or, registered nurse, or 665 *licensed massage therapist* to submit fingerprints and provide personal descriptive information to be 666 forwarded along with his fingerprints through the Central Criminal Records Exchange to the Federal

667 Bureau of Investigation for the purpose of obtaining criminal history record information regarding the applicant. The cost of fingerprinting and the criminal history record search shall be paid by the 668 669 applicant.

670 The Central Criminal Records Exchange shall forward the results of the state and federal criminal 671 history record search to the Board, which shall be a governmental entity. If an applicant is denied 672 licensure because of information appearing on his criminal history record and the applicant disputes the information upon which the denial was based, the Central Criminal Records Exchange shall, upon 673 written request, furnish to the applicant the procedures for obtaining a copy of the criminal history 674 record from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Central Criminal Records Exchange. The 675 676 information shall not be disseminated except as provided in this section.

677 § 54.1-3008. Particular violations; prosecution.

A. It shall be a Class 1 misdemeanor for any person to: 678

679 1. Practice nursing under the authority of a license or record illegally or fraudulently obtained or **680** signed or issued unlawfully or under fraudulent representation;

2. Practice nursing unless licensed to do so under the provisions of this chapter; 681

682 3. Knowingly employ an unlicensed person as a professional or practical nurse or knowingly permit 683 an unlicensed person to represent himself as a professional or practical nurse;

684 4. Use in connection with his name any designation tending to imply that he is a professional nurse 685 or a practical nurse unless duly licensed to practice under the provisions of this chapter;

686 5. Practice professional nursing or practical nursing during the time his license is suspended or 687 revoked;

688 6. Conduct a nursing education program for the preparation of professional or practical nurses unless 689 the program has been approved by the Board; or

7. Claim to be, on and after July 1, 1997, a certified massage therapist or massage therapist or use 690 691 any designation tending to imply that he is a massage therapist or certified massage therapist unless he is certified under the provisions of this chapter Engage in the practice of massage therapy or hold 692 himself out as practicing massage therapy unless he holds a license as a massage therapist issued by 693 694 the Board.

695 B. The provisions of this section shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to persons holding a multistate 696 licensure privilege to practice nursing. 697

Article 5.

Certification Licensure of Massage Therapists.

§ 54.1-3029. Qualifications for a licensed massage therapist.

700 A. In order to be certified *licensed* as a massage therapist, the applicant shall furnish evidence 701 satisfactory to the Board that the applicant: 702

1. Is at least 18 years old;

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703 2. Has successfully completed a minimum of 500 hours of training from a massage therapy program, certified or approved by the State Council of Higher Education or an agency in another state, the 704 705 District of Columbia, or a United States territory that approves educational programs, notwithstanding 706 the provisions of § 23-276.2;

707 3. Has passed the National Certification Exam for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork, the National 708 Certification Exam for Therapeutic Massage, the Licensing Examination of the Federation of State 709 Massage Therapy Boards, or an examination deemed acceptable to the Board of Nursing; and

710 4. Has not committed any acts or omissions that would be grounds for disciplinary action or denial 711 of certification licensure as set forth in this chapter.

B. The Board may certify any applicant who has been practicing massage therapy for up to 10 years 712 713 prior to July 1, 1997, and has completed at least 200 hours of training in an education program. Such 714 programs may be, but shall not be required to be, certified or approved by the State Council of Higher 715 Education or an agency in another state, the District of Columbia, or a United States territory that approves educational programs, or has been in practice for 10 years or more prior to July 1, 1997, and 716 717 has completed 20 hours of such training; or has passed the National Certification Exam for Therapeutic 718 Massage and Bodywork prior to 1994.

719 C. The Board may issue a provisional certification license to an applicant prior to passing the 720 National Certification Exam for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork Licensing Examination of the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards for such time and in such manner as prescribed by the 721 722 Board. No more than one provisional certification license shall be issued to any applicant.

723 D. C. The Board may certify license without examination any applicant who is licensed or certified 724 as a massage therapist in another state, the District of Columbia, a United States possession or territory, 725 or another country, and, in the opinion of the Board, meets the requirements for certified licensed 726 massage therapists in the Commonwealth.

727 § 54.1-3029.1. Advisory Board on Massage Therapy.

The Advisory Board on Massage Therapy shall assist the Board in carrying out the provisions of this
chapter regarding the qualifications, examination, registration, regulation, and standards of professional
conduct of massage therapists as described in § 54.1-3029. The Advisory Board shall also assist in such
other matters relating to the practice of massage therapy as the Board may require.

The Advisory Board on Massage Therapy shall consist of five members to be appointed by the Governor for four-year terms as follows: three members shall be <u>certified</u> *licensed* massage therapists who have practiced in the Commonwealth for not less than three years prior to their appointment², one shall be an administrator or faculty member of a nationally accredited school of massage therapy², and one shall be a citizen member appointed from the Commonwealth at large.

737 The Advisory Board shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman from among its membership. The
738 Advisory Board shall meet at least once a year and may hold additional meetings as necessary to
739 perform its duties. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of business.

740 Vacancies occurring other than by expiration of term shall be filled for the unexpired term. No 741 person shall be eligible to serve on the Advisory Board for more than two successive terms.

742 2. That the Board of Nursing shall promulgate regulations to implement the provisions of this act 743 to be effective within 280 days of its enactment.

744 3. That any person holding a certificate to practice massage therapy prior to January 1, 2017,
745 shall be deemed to be licensed thereafter and the Board of Nursing shall at the time of renewal
746 provide such person a license.

747 4. That the Board of Nursing shall issue certificates for massage therapy until the effective date of

748 regulations promulgated pursuant to this act.