



ALABAMA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

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Update from Board Office

Please remember to provide your written comments to the Board regarding the proposal rules changes that can be found on the Board's website at, <https://almtbd.alabama.gov/about/law/>. The final date of comment is Monday, September 4, 2023. The Board will review all written comments prior to the next meeting scheduled for Monday, September 11, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be held here at the office, 2777 Zelda Road, Montgomery, Alabama 36106. There will be opportunity to provide verbal comments the day of the meeting for those that have not had an opportunity to provide written comments. After all comments are received (written comments reviewed by the Board prior to the meeting), the Board will consider these comments and make the appropriate changes prior to the final approval. There are a two fees that will be corrected along with the removal of the term "butt-crack" from the proposed rules. The definitions are sufficient without the use of that term and thank you all for providing your comments expressing your concerns and suggestions to remove it.

The Board is scheduled to appear before the Alabama Sunset Committee on Thursday, September 28, 2023, at 11:45 a.m. The hearing will be located on the 3rd floor, Room 325 of the Alabama State House, 11 S. Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36104.

One of the biggest accomplishments this year is the communication and collaboration of all the professional massage therapy associations and chapters becoming involved in the operations of board, sunset process and legislation, human trafficking, illicit massage businesses, inspections and overall compliance, and to be able to join forces in the protection of the public from those individuals or businesses not interested in providing professional and therapeutic massage, as well as improving the general health and well-being to its clients.

The current board member terms expire as of September 30, 2023. All members except for one are eligible for reappointment and will submit their request directly to the Governor's Appointments Office. Anyone interested in serving on the Board should visit the Governor's website and complete and application at:

<https://governor.alabama.gov/administration/appointments/>. The instructions to submit the application is available on their site at the above link. Please indicate your congressional district on your application and/or resume you submit to assist them in categorizing candidates in the correct Congressional District.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Board Office if you need assistance or if we can answer any questions. The main email address is massage@alstateboard.com and the Executive Director's email address is keith@alstateboard.com.

Thank you!