

HB 6243

Good Morning,

I am a licensed massage therapist and I object to Thai Yoga practioners using these words "Thai Yoga" synonoumous with the word Thai Massage.

Massage therapists are licensed and undergo rigourous training in the field, more than 500 hours are required and a board exqam are required for us to touch a client. Thai yoga practioners can practice on people with as little as 20 hours.

This is a disservice to massage therapists who comply with the law and also to clients who are unaware of the lack of anatomy knowledge a yoga practioner has in comparison to a massage therapist.

Thai Yoga and Thai Massage are not interchangeable. Please support legitimate massage and do not allow the removal of Thai yoga from the statute , bill HB5455.

Thank you

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