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HOUSE BILL DRH10195-NB-71

Short Title: (Public) Reflexologist Right to Work Act. Representative Riddell. Sponsors: Referred to: A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTIFIED REFLEXOLOGISTS FROM OVERSIGHT FROM THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: **SECTION 1.** G.S. 90-624 reads as rewritten: "§ 90-624. Activities not requiring a license to practice. Nothing in this Article shall be construed to prohibit or affect: A nationally certified reflexologist engaged in the practice of reflexology, who <u>(9)</u> has a current certification from the American Reflexology Certification Board (ARCB) or its successor entity, or an individual who is a reflexology student working to obtain certification from the ARCB or its successor entity under the supervision of an ARCB-certified reflexologist. Provided, however, that this exemption shall only apply to reflexology students who obtain certification within 12 months of beginning the certification process. For the purposes of this subdivision, "reflexology" means a protocol of manual techniques, including thumb- and finger-walking, hook and backup, and rotating-on-a-point, that are applied to specific reflex areas predominantly on the feet and hands and that stimulate the complex neural pathways linking

body systems and support the body's efforts to function optimally."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2023.

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