# **Department of Legislative Services**

Maryland General Assembly 2004 Session

#### FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 147 (Delegate Hubbard)

**Rules and Executive Nominations** 

#### **State Government - Commemorative Week - Massage Therapy**

This bill proclaims the last full week in October as Massage Therapy Awareness Week.

### **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** The bill would not directly affect governmental operations or finances.

Local Effect: None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

## **Analysis**

**Current Law:** None applicable.

**Background:** Massage therapists in Maryland are regulated by the Massage Therapy Advisory Committee of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners. A certified massage therapist is a person certified by the board to practice massage therapy. A registered massage practitioner is a person registered by the board to practice nontherapeutic massage. There are 2,084 certified massage therapists and 34 registered massage practitioners in Maryland.

#### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

Cross File: None.

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