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### SENATE BILL NO. 338-SENATOR TIFFANY

#### MARCH 17, 2003

#### Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Provides for licensing and regulation of massage therapists. (BDR 54-1104)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Yes. Effect on the State: No.

EXPLANATION – Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets <del>[omitted material]</del> is material to be omitted.

Green numbers along left margin indicate location on the printed bill (e.g., 5-15 indicates page 5, line 15).

AN ACT relating to massage therapy; creating the Board of Massage Therapists; prescribing the powers and duties of the Board; requiring massage therapists to be licensed by the Board; prescribing the requirements for the issuance or renewal of a license; providing the grounds for disciplinary action against a massage therapist; providing the actions the Board may take against a person who commits certain acts; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

# THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1-1 Section 1. Title 54 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
- 1-2 thereto a new chapter to consist of the provisions set forth as
- 1-3 sections 2 to 33, inclusive, of this act.
- 1-4 Sec. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that:
- 1-5 1. The practice of massage therapy by persons who do not
- 1-6 possess sufficient knowledge of anatomy and physiology or an
- 1-7 understanding of the relationship between the structure and
- 1-8 function of the tissues being treated and the total function of the
- 1-9 body may endanger the health, welfare and safety of the residents
- 1-10 of this state.
- 1-11 2. To protect the residents of this state, it is necessary to
- 1-12 license and regulate the practice of massage therapy.