

Dear Gail Carrigan,

I am a massage therapist currently working and living in Vermont, writing to you about S. 270.

I am in favor of licensure for massage to uplift the profession and protect the public, but I feel that S. 270 needs to be amended to include required hours of study (ideally upwards of 750hours) and I strongly believe Vermont's massage schools must be accredited.

I believe that a setting a high bar for massage education, and therefore ensuring a high quality product when licensure is granted, is the most effective way to improve the massage industry and prevent human trafficking under the cover of "massage" in Vermont.

Please consider the important role of education during your meeting regarding S. 270 next week.

Best wishes,  
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