

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2017 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **Senate Bill 196**

BY SENATORS BLAIR AND SYPOLT

[Introduced February 8, 2017; referred  
to the Committee on Government Organization]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,  
2 designated §30-37-12, relating to termination of the West Virginia Massage Therapy  
3 Licensure Board.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

1 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new  
2 section, designated §30-37-12, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 37. MASSAGE THERAPISTS.**

**§30-37-12. Termination of the West Virginia Massage Therapy Licensure Board.**

1 (a) The West Virginia Massage Therapy Licensure Board is hereby terminated in  
2 accordance with section twelve, article ten, chapter four of this code. Effective July 1, 2018, the  
3 board is eliminated and the provisions of this article shall cease to be effective. Upon the effective  
4 date of this section, the board shall begin winding up its affairs and take all necessary steps to  
5 effectuate the termination of the board and its regulation of massage therapists.  
6 (b) On or before June 30, 2018, the board shall dispose of all assets, property and records  
7 pursuant to section thirteen, article ten, chapter four of this code. All unexpended funds in the  
8 massage therapy licensure board fund shall be transferred into the General Revenue Fund.  
9 (c) Effective July 1, 2018, all legislative rules promulgated by the board in accordance with  
10 section seven of this article are terminated and have no further force or effect.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to terminate the West Virginia Massage Therapy Licensure Board effective July 1, 2018.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.