

Massage law draws concern



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Luz Reyes of Antonio's Salon on Orchard Lake in Farmington Hills is a trained massage therapist, certified through the New Life Therapeutic Massage School in Pontiac.

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involved the study of anatomy and physiology.

Unlike businesses that offer only massages, establishments such as Bloomies, Tamara's, Antonio's and Kilty Wagner's offer body massages as a part of total body and skin care services.

"The whole concept is that we just don't want to work with women's hair but the care of the body and the skin," Fucinar said. "We can help them along to feeling good about themselves."

A PROFESSIONAL body massage is

used for its therapeutic value — "It can accomplish a healing or therapeutic benefit," Reed said. A body massage can improve skin tone, blood circulation, as well as relax and improve a person's overall well-being, she said.

Reyes expressed similar opinions. A massage, she said, tones muscles and helps reduce stress.

Although salon owners favor an ordinance regulating massages and the businesses that provide them, they are critical of the proposed Farmington Hills massage regulation ordinance.

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