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## San Antonio Massage Establishment Closed For Suspected Human Trafficking

**AUSTIN** – The Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) has issued a six-month emergency closure order effective April 22 that closes a massage establishment in San Antonio for suspected human trafficking.

Guixan Han and Golden Phoenix Holdings LLC, the owner/operator of Sweetness Spa, a/k/a QQ Spa, a/k/a Wang’s Spa, 12255 West Ave., Suite 104 and 105, were ordered to halt operations at the establishment and are prohibited from operating a different massage establishment at that location.

TDLR had received a complaint that alleged that human trafficking was possibly occurring at the location. The complainant also provided screenshots of images and videos of sexual encounters at the establishment that were part of an online chat group.

A TDLR investigation found that there were several unlicensed employees – and some of them quickly left the building during the site visit. During the investigation, a customer was found in the establishment without any clothes on, and he ran out the door as soon as he was dressed. Investigators also found several indicators of possible human trafficking, including lingerie and excessive security cameras.

[HB 3579](#), passed in the 88<sup>th</sup> Legislature Regular Session, went into effect Sept. 1, 2023. Under the legislation proposed by State Rep. Benjamin Bumgarner and State Sen. Phil King, TDLR’s executive director can issue an emergency order halting the operation of any massage establishment if law enforcement or TDLR find evidence or indicators that human trafficking is occurring at the establishment.

Anyone who suspects human trafficking is occurring can contact the National Hotline for Human Trafficking at [1-888-373-7888](tel:1-888-373-7888) or text HELP or INFO to BeFree (233733). If the situation is an emergency or you believe someone is in immediate danger, call 911 and alert the authorities.

You can also [file a complaint](#) on a TDLR-regulated business that you suspect may be participating in human trafficking.

[About TDLR](#)

*TDLR provides regulatory oversight for a broad range of occupations, businesses, facilities, and equipment in Texas. The agency protects the health and safety of Texans by ensuring they are served by qualified, licensed professionals. Inspections of individuals, businesses, and equipment are done on a regular basis to safeguard the public. Currently, the agency regulates 38 business and occupational licensing programs with almost 1,000,000 licensees across the state.*

*Visit TDLR's [website](#) for more information and resources. You can search the [TDLR licensee database](#), and also find [past violations](#) in which a final order was issued against companies or individuals. TDLR's Customer Service line is available anytime between 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, at 1-800-803-9202. TDLR representatives are fluent in English, Spanish and Vietnamese.*

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