

HOUSE Substitute for SENATE BILL No. 43

By Committee on Aging and Long Term Care

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9 AN ACT concerning social workers; relating to continuing education
10 requirements; amending K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 65-6313 and repealing the
11 existing section.
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13 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

14 Section 1. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 65-6313 is hereby amended to read as
15 follows: 65-6313. (a) All licenses issued shall be effective upon the date
16 issued and shall expire at the end of 24 months from the date of issuance.

17 (b) (1) Except as otherwise provided in K.S.A. 65-6311 and amend-
18 ments thereto, a license may be renewed by the payment of the renewal
19 fee set forth in K.S.A. 65-6314 and amendments thereto and the execu-
20 tion and submission of a signed statement, on a form to be provided by
21 the board, attesting that the applicant's license has been neither revoked
22 nor currently suspended and that applicant has met the requirements for
23 continuing education established by the board including not less than
24 three continuing education hours of professional ethics. An applicant for
25 renewal of a license as a master social worker or a specialist clinical social
26 worker, as part of such continuing education, shall complete not less than
27 six continuing education hours relating to diagnosis and treatment of men-
28 tal disorders.

29 (2) *On and after January 1, 2011, an applicant for first time licensure*
30 *renewal as a baccalaureate social worker, master social worker or spe-*
31 *cialist clinical social worker, as part of such continuing education, shall*
32 *complete not less than six hours of social worker safety awareness training.*
33 *If the applicant has already taken such training, as part of a previous*
34 *level of social work licensure renewal, the applicant is not required to*
35 *complete an additional six hours of social worker safety awareness train-*
36 *ing.*

37 (c) The application for renewal shall be made on or before the date
38 of the expiration of the license or on or before the date of the termination
39 of the period of suspension.

40 (d) If the application for renewal, including payment of the required
41 renewal fee, is not made on or before the date of the expiration of the
42 license, the license is void, and no license shall be reinstated except upon
43 payment of the required renewal fee established under K.S.A. 65-6314

1 and amendments thereto, plus a penalty equal to the renewal fee, and
2 proof satisfactory to the board of the completion of 40 hours of continuing
3 education within two years prior to application for reinstatement. Upon
4 receipt of such payment and proof, the board shall reinstate the license.
5 A license shall be reinstated under this subsection, upon receipt of such
6 payment and proof, at any time after the expiration of such license.
7 (e) In case of a lost or destroyed license, and upon satisfactory proof
8 of the loss or destruction thereof, the board may issue a duplicate license
9 and shall charge a fee as set forth in K.S.A. 65-6314 and amendments
10 thereto for such duplicate license.
11 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 65-6313 is hereby repealed.
12 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
13 publication in the statute book.