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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2372

As Amended by House Committee on
Health and Human Services

Brief*

HB 2372, as amended, amends a statute that is a part of the act under which marriage and family therapists are licensed and regulated. The amendment changes the standard to be used in determining whether a person who is credentialed to practice marriage and family therapy in another state may be issued a Kansas license. The new standard is that the certification standards of the other state are substantially the equivalent of the Kansas standards rather than at least equivalent to or in excess of the Kansas standards.

HB 2372 also amends a statute that pertains to the licensing of doctoral level psychologists. The amendment directs the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board to issue a license to an applicant who has both satisfied the Board as to the applicant's training and experience and who has passed an examination in psychology. Currently, the statute allows a license to be issued if either criteria has been met.

Background

HB 2372 originally concerned certification of behavior analysts according to rules and regulations of the Secretary of Social and Rehabilitation Services. As amended, the bill deletes the content of that bill and inserts language recommended in the 2001 Session of the Legislature by a representative of the Mental Health Coalition.

No fiscal note exists on the bill as amended.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org/cgi-bin/fulltext/bills.cgi>