

Session of 2021

HOUSE BILL No. 2208

By Committee on Health and Human Services

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1 AN ACT concerning the behavioral sciences; relating to the behavioral
2 sciences regulatory board; professions regulated thereby; reducing
3 certain licensing requirements; ~~requiring board approval to provide~~
4 ~~clinical social worker supervision~~; expanding the board's grounds for
5 discipline; expanding temporary permits to practice and imposing
6 requirements for extension thereof; amending K.S.A. 65-5804a, 65-
7 5807a, 65-5808, 65-5809, 65-6309a, 65-6311, 65-6314, 65-6404, 65-
8 6405a, 65-6408, 65-6610, 65-6612, 65-6615, 74-5316a, 74-5324, 74-
9 5363, 74-5367a and 74-5369 and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 65-6306 and 65-
10 6411 and repealing the existing sections.

(stricken material in the title)

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12 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*
13 ~~New Section 1. (a) On and after January 1, 2022, any licensee~~
14 ~~providing postgraduate clinical supervision for any individual working~~
15 ~~toward licensure as a clinical social worker shall be a board-approved~~
16 ~~clinical supervisor.~~
17 ~~(b) An application for a board-approved clinical supervisor shall be~~
18 ~~made to the board on a form and in the manner prescribed by the board~~
19 ~~and shall be accompanied by the fee fixed under K.S.A. 65-5808, and~~
20 ~~amendments thereto.~~
21 ~~(c) Each applicant for board-approved clinical supervisor shall~~
22 ~~furnish evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant:~~
23 ~~(1) Is currently licensed by the board as a specialist clinical social~~
24 ~~worker and has practiced as a specialist clinical social worker for at least~~
25 ~~two years following licensure;~~
26 ~~(2) is not the subject of any disciplinary action of the board that~~
27 ~~would prohibit providing clinical supervision, as determined by the board;~~
28 ~~and~~
29 ~~(3) (A) Has completed the minimum number of semester hours, or~~
30 ~~the academic equivalent, of coursework related to the enhancement of~~
31 ~~supervision skills approved by the board; or~~
32 ~~(B) has completed the minimum number of continuing education~~
33 ~~hours related to the enhancement of supervision skills approved by the~~
34 ~~board.~~
35 ~~(c) Each board-approved clinical supervisor shall complete, as a part~~
36 ~~of the continuing education required under K.S.A. 65-6313, and~~

By striking all in lines 13 through 36

~~1 amendments thereto, at least three hours of continuing education related to
2 the enhancement of supervision skills, including at least one hour related
3 to ethics in supervision.~~

~~4 (d) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the social
5 workers licensure act.~~

6 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 65-5804a is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-
7 5804a. (a) Applications for licensure as a professional counselor shall be
8 made to the board on a form and in the manner prescribed by the board.
9 Each application shall be accompanied by the fee fixed under K.S.A. 65-
10 5808, and amendments thereto.

11 (b) Each applicant for licensure as a professional counselor shall
12 furnish evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant:

- 13 (1) Is at least 21 years of age;
- 14 (2) has completed 60 graduate semester hours including a graduate
15 degree in counseling or a related field from a college or university
16 approved by the board and that includes 45 graduate semester hours of
17 counseling coursework distributed among each of the following areas:
 - 18 (A) Counseling theory and practice;
 - 19 (B) the helping relationship;
 - 20 (C) group dynamics, processing and counseling;
 - 21 (D) human growth and development;
 - 22 (E) ~~life-style~~ *lifestyle* and career development;
 - 23 (F) appraisal of individuals;
 - 24 (G) social and cultural foundations;
 - 25 (H) research and evaluation;
 - 26 (I) professional orientation; and
 - 27 (J) supervised practicum and internship;
- 28 (3) has passed an examination required by the board; and
- 29 (4) has satisfied the board that the applicant is a person who merits

30 the public trust.

31 (c) (1) Applications for licensure as a clinical professional counselor
32 shall be made to the board on a form and in the manner prescribed by the
33 board. Each applicant shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the board that
34 the applicant:

- 35 (A) Is licensed by the board as a licensed professional counselor or
36 meets all requirements for licensure as a licensed professional counselor;
- 37 (B) has completed 15 credit hours, as part of or in addition to the
38 requirements under subsection (b), supporting diagnosis or treatment of
39 mental disorders with use of the American psychiatric association's
40 diagnostic and statistical manual through identifiable study of the
41 following content areas: Psychopathology, diagnostic assessment,
42 interdisciplinary referral and collaboration, treatment approaches and
43 professional ethics;

By striking all in lines 1 through 5;
And by renumbering sections accordingly

1 and civil enforcement of agency actions under the social workers licensure
2 act shall be in accordance with the Kansas judicial review act.

3 ~~Sec. 9. K.S.A. 65-6314 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-~~
4 ~~6314. (a) The following fees may be established by the board in~~
5 ~~accordance with the following limitations, and any such fees shall be~~
6 ~~established by rules and regulations adopted by the board:~~

7 ~~(1) Renewal or reinstatement fee for a license as a social work~~
8 ~~associate shall be not more than \$150.~~

9 ~~(2) Application, new license, reinstatement or renewal fee for a~~
10 ~~license as a baccalaureate social worker shall be not more than \$150.~~

11 ~~(3) Application, new license, reinstatement or renewal fee for a~~
12 ~~license as master social worker shall be not more than \$150.~~

13 ~~(4) Application, new license, reinstatement or renewal fee for a~~
14 ~~license in a social work specialty shall be not more than \$150.~~

15 ~~(5) Replacement fee for reissuance of a license certificate due to loss~~
16 ~~or name change shall be not more than \$20.~~

17 ~~(6) Replacement fee for reissuance of a wallet card shall be not more~~
18 ~~than \$5.~~

19 ~~(7) Temporary license fee for a baccalaureate social worker, master~~
20 ~~social worker or a social work specialty shall be not more than \$50.~~

21 ~~(8) Application fee for approval as board-approved continuing~~
22 ~~education sponsors shall be as follows:~~

23 ~~(A) Initial application fee for one year provisionally approved~~
24 ~~providers shall be not more than \$125;~~

25 ~~(B) three-year renewal fees for approved providers shall be not more~~
26 ~~than \$350; and~~

27 ~~(C) application fees for single program providers shall be not more~~
28 ~~than \$50 for each separately offered continuing education activity for~~
29 ~~which prior approval is sought.~~

30 ~~(9) Application fee for approval as a board-approved clinical~~
31 ~~supervisor shall be not more than \$50.~~

32 ~~(b) Fees paid to the board are not refundable.~~

33 Sec. 10. K.S.A. 65-6404 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-
34 6404. (a) An applicant for licensure as a marriage and family therapist
35 shall furnish evidence that the applicant *has*:

36 (1) ~~Has Attained the age of 21 years of age;~~

37 (2) (A) ~~has~~ completed a master's or doctoral degree from a marriage
38 and family therapy program, in an educational institution with standards
39 approved by the board; ~~or~~ (B) has completed a master's or doctoral degree
40 from an educational institution in a related field for which the course work
41 is considered by the board to be equivalent to that provided in ~~clause (2)~~
42 ~~subparagraph (A) of this paragraph~~ and consists of a minimum of nine
43 semester hours in human development, nine semester hours in theories of

By striking all in lines 3 through 32;
And by adjusting the title and repealer accordingly