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Subject Board of Social Work provisional licensure

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Overview

The Board of Social Work Practice can grant a provisional license to an applicant who meets listed requirements, valid for a specified period of time of up to three years. This bill reorganizes and modifies sections of statute governing Board of Social Work provisional licensure. It modifies requirements related to eligibility, disciplinary action, and supervision, includes a revisor instruction to renumber listed social work provisional license sections of statute, and repeals a subdivision governing immediate revocation of a provisional license.

Summary

Section Description

1 Requirements for a provisional license.

Amends § 148D.061, subd. 1. Removes provisional license requirements, including the requirements to: (1) have been born in a foreign country; (2) communicate in English as a second language; and (3) have taken specified examinations. Makes conforming technical changes. Makes this section effective October 1, 2024.

2 **Disciplinary or other action.**

Amends § 148D.061, subd. 8. Specifies that a provisional licensee is subject to the Board of Social Work grounds for disciplinary action. Makes this section effective October 1, 2024.

3 **Supervision required after licensure.**

Amends § 148D.062, subd. 1. Raises number of hours of supervision for a provisional licensee to complete after receiving a provisional license from 37.5 to 50. Makes this section effective October 1, 2024.

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4 Practice requirements.

Amends § 148D.062, subd. 2. Raises number of required supervision hours per 160 hours of practice under a provisional license from three to four. Makes this section effective October 1, 2024.

5 Types of supervision.

Amends § 148D.062, subd. 3. Modifies types of supervision hours, so that half of the 50 total hours must be one-on-one supervision, either in person or via eye-to-eye electronic media, and the other half must be via one-on-one supervision or group supervision not to exceed six supervisees. Prohibits supervision via email. Makes this section effective October 1, 2024.

6 Supervisor requirements.

Amends § 148D.062, subd. 4. Removes 5,000-hour experience requirement for a supervisor of a provisional licensee. Adds to list of supervisors: licensed graduate social workers who have completed supervised practice requirements; licensed independent social workers; or licensed independent clinical social workers. Makes this section effective October 1, 2024.

7 Supervision plan.

Amends § 148D.063, subd. 1. Removes board authority to revoke a provisional license for failure to submit the supervision plan within 30 days. Removes requirement for one-on-one supervision to be in-person. Makes this section effective October 1, 2024.

8 Evaluation.

Amends § 148D.063, subd. 2. For an evaluation of a provisional licensee submitted to the board by the supervisor, removes requirement to evaluate "ensuring continuing competence." Makes this section effective October 1, 2024.

9 Revisor instruction.

Instructs the revisor to renumber the three remaining sections on provisional licensure from Chapter 148D to Chapter 148E, where the rest of the Board of Social Work Practice statutes are located. Makes this section effective October 1, 2024.

10 Repealer.

Repeals section 148D.061, subd. 9 (revocation of provisional license). Makes this section effective October 1, 2024.



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