

Legislative Analysis



TEMPORARY LIMITED LICENSE IN PSYCHOLOGY RENEWAL

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Senate Bill 634 as passed by the Senate
Sponsor: Sen. Wayne Schmidt
House Committee: Health Policy
Senate Committee: Health Policy
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SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 634 would amend Part 182 (Psychology) of the Public Health Code, to create license renewal options for limited license psychologists (LLPs).

Currently, a temporary limited license in psychology (TLLP) is valid for two years and is not renewable. The Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs discovered in January of 2017 that licenses were being renewed in error and informed license holders in February of 2017 that all TLLPs would expire on August 31, 2017, or the expiration date on their TLLP, whichever was later. The deadline was later extended until December 31, 2017.

SB 634 would instead implement separate renewal limits for masters- and doctoral-level LLPs to allow those individuals the time to achieve the requisite experience.

For TLLPs who have received a master's degree in psychology, beginning on December 31, 2017, a temporary license would be valid for 24 months and renewable for an additional 24-month term. (For TLLPs granted before December 31, 2017, the TLLP is eligible for one 24-month renewal.)

For LLPs enrolled in a qualifying doctoral degree program, beginning on December 31, 2017, a temporary license would be valid for 24 months and renewable for three additional 24-month terms. (For TLLPs granted before December 31, 2017, the TLLP is eligible for three 24-month renewals.)

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Senate Bill 634 would not have a fiscal impact on any unit of state or local government.

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