



ANALYSIS

Telephone: (517) 373-5383

Fax: (517) 373-1986

House Bill 4549 (Substitute H-2 as passed by the House)

Sponsor: Representative Martin Howrylak

House Committee: Health Policy Senate Committee: Health Policy

Date Completed: 11-27-17

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Public Health Code to provide that an individual applying for an initial limited license in psychology (LLP) before December 31, 2017, would not be required to take an examination that was approved by the Michigan Board of Psychology to be granted an LLP if he or she met certain requirements.

The Code requires the Michigan Board of Psychology to grant a limited license in psychology to an individual granted a master's degree in psychology from a regionally accredited college, or university, or Board-approved institution, if the individual has education, training, and experience appropriate to the practice of psychology, as established by the Board. An individual who is applying for an LLP must have one year of supervised postgraduate experience in an organized health care setting or other arrangement, as established by the Board. The Board must grant a temporary LLP to the individual for the purpose of obtaining the one year of postgraduate experience.

Under the bill, an individual who was applying for an initial LLP before December 31, 2017, would not be required to take an examination that was approved by the Board to be granted a limited license if the individual were granted a master's degree in psychology before June 30, 2010, from a regionally accredited college, university, or Board-approved institution; the individual had continuously held a temporary LLP since it was initially granted by the Board; and a disciplinary subcommittee had not imposed a sanction against the individual while holding the temporary LLP.

The bill would take effect 90 days after it was enacted.

MCL 333.16141 et al. Legislative Analyst: Stephen Jackson

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State and local government.

Fiscal Analyst: Josh Sefton

SAS\S1718\s4549sa

This analysis was prepared by nonpartisan Senate staff for use by the Senate in its deliberations and does not constitute an official statement of legislative intent.