SENATE BILL NO. 413

June 11, 2025, Introduced by Senators WOJNO, BAYER, CHANG, SHINK and VICTORY and referred to Committee on Health Policy.

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code,"

by amending sections 18221, 18223, 18233, and 18237 (MCL 333.18221, 333.18223, 333.18233, and 333.18237), section 18221 as amended by 2006 PA 395, section 18223 as amended by 2018 PA 24, section 18233 as amended by 1994 PA 234, and section 18237 as amended by 1998 PA 496.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 18221. (1) The Michigan board of psychology is created in

- 1 the department. and shall consist Except as otherwise provided in
- 2 subsection (2), the board consists of the following 9 voting
- 3 members who shall must meet the requirements of part 161: 5
- 4 psychologists, including at least 1 nondoctoral psychologist, and 4
- 5 public members. Section 1212 does not apply to this board.
- 6 (2) Beginning after the effective date of the amendatory act
- 7 that added this subsection, all of the following apply to the board
- 8 described in subsection (1):
- 9 (a) The 4 public members shall continue in office for the
- 10 remainder of their respective terms. When the term of office of the
- 11 first public member expires, the governor shall not appoint a
- 12 public member to fill that position but shall instead, subject to
- 13 part 161, appoint 1 psychologist who holds a license under section
- 14 18223(1) to fill the position, thereby reducing the total number of
- 15 public members on the board to 3 and increasing the number of
- 16 psychologists who hold a license under section 18223(1) to 5.
- 17 (b) The governor shall, subject to part 161, appoint 2
- 18 psychologists who hold a limited license under section 18223(3) to
- 19 the board, thereby increasing the total number of psychologists who
- 20 hold limited licenses on the board to 3 and the total number of
- 21 voting members on the board to 11.
- 22 (3) (2) The terms of office of individual members of the board
- 23 created under this section, except those appointed to fill
- 24 vacancies, expire 4 years after appointment on December 31 of the
- 25 year in which the term expires.
- 26 (4) Section 1212 does not apply to the board.
- Sec. 18223. (1) The department, in consultation with the
- 28 board, shall promulgate rules requiring that to be require an
- 29 individual who is granted a license under this part to engage in

- the practice of psychology to, except as provided in subsection

 (2), an individual must this section, meet both of the following
 requirements:
- 4 (a) Have been granted a doctoral degree in psychology, or a
 5 doctoral degree in a closely related field, from a doctoral degree
 6 program that meets all of the following requirements:
- 7 (i) Is offered by a regionally accredited or other college,
 8 university, or institution approved by the board, and includes
 9 education and training appropriate to the practice of psychology.
- (ii) Has obtained the Association of State and Provincial 10 11 Psychology Boards' national register designation, has been 12 accredited by the American Psychological Association or the 13 Canadian Psychological Association, or has obtained a similar 14 designation from or been accredited by an entity approved by the 15 board. However, a program that is in the process of obtaining the 16 designation or becoming accredited as required in this subparagraph 17 before August 1, 2011, and that obtains the designation or becomes 18 accredited on or before August 31, 2020, meets the requirements of 19 this subparagraph.
 - (b) Have not less than 1 year of postdoctoral experience in the practice of psychology in an organized health care setting or other arrangement, as established by the board.
 - (2) In addition to section 16182, the board shall grant a limited license to engage in the practice of psychology to an individual granted who has a master's degree in psychology from a regionally accredited college, or university, or institution approved by the board, if the individual has education, training, and experience appropriate to the practice of psychology, as established by the board. An individual who applies for an initial

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limited license under this subsection before March 31, 2018 is not 1 2 required to take an examination that is approved by the board to be granted a limited license under this part if the individual was 3 granted a master's degree in psychology after January 1, 2007 but 4 before June 30, 2010 from the college, university, or institution 5 described in this subsection, the individual has continuously held 6 7 the temporary license described in this section since it was 8 initially granted by the board, and the disciplinary subcommittee 9 has not imposed a sanction against the individual while holding the 10 temporary license described in this section. Except for duties 11 performed as an employee of a governmental entity or of a nonprofit 12 organization serving benevolent and charitable purposes, the board 13 shall place 2 limitations on a limited license granted to an 14 individual under this subsection. The limitations must require 15 supervision by a psychologist who has a license other than a 16 limited license and must prohibit advertising or other 17 representation to the public that will lead the public to believe 18 the individual is engaging in the practice of psychology. A limited 19 license granted under this subsection is renewable under part 161. 20 An individual who is applying for a limited license under this 21 subsection must have 1 year of supervised postgraduate experience in an organized health care setting or other arrangement, as 22 established by the board. The individual postgraduate experience 23 24 described in this subsection must be supervised by a psychologist 25 who has a license other than a limited license, or if a psychologist who has a license other than a limited license is not 26 27 available, by a psychologist who has at least a master's degree in psychology and at least 3 years of experience in the practice of 28 29 psychology or by any other individual approved by the board. This

- subsection does not apply beginning on the effective date of the amendatory act that added subsection (3).
- 3 (3) Beginning on the effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection, in addition to section 16182, the board 4 5 shall grant a limited license to engage in the practice of 6 psychology to an individual who has been granted a master's degree 7 in psychology from a regionally accredited college, university, or 8 institution approved by the board, if the individual has education, 9 training, and experience appropriate to the practice of psychology, 10 as established by the board. Except as otherwise provided in this 11 subsection, an individual who is applying for a limited license under this subsection who is granted a master's degree in 12 13 psychology before August 31, 2027, must have 2 years, totaling not 14 less than 3,000 hours, of supervised postgraduate experience, and 15 an individual who is granted a master's degree in psychology on or after August 31, 2027, must have 2 years, totaling not less than 16 17 4,000 hours, of supervised postgraduate experience. An individual 18 who is obtaining the supervised postgraduate experience described 19 in subsection (2) on or immediately before the effective date of 20 the amendatory act that added this subsection must have 1 year of 21 supervised postgraduate experience to be granted a limited license 22 under this subsection. The postgraduate experience described in 23 this subsection must be completed in an organized health care setting or other arrangement, as established by the board, and must 24 25 be supervised by a psychologist who is granted a license under 26 subsection (1) or, if a psychologist who is granted a license under 27 subsection (1) is not available, by a psychologist who has at least 28 a master's degree in psychology and at least 3 years of experience 29 in the practice of psychology or by any other individual approved

- 1 by the board. An individual who is granted a limited license under
- 2 this subsection may engage in the practice of psychology without
- 3 supervision and shall perform an act, task, or function within the
- 4 practice of psychology for which the individual is qualified by
- 5 education, training, or experience. An individual who holds a
- 6 limited license under this subsection shall not perform, offer to
- 7 perform, or represent that the individual is qualified to perform
- 8 any of the acts, tasks, or functions within the scope of practice
- 9 of psychology that the individual is not qualified by education,
- 10 training, or experience to perform, or that the individual is
- 11 otherwise prohibited by law from performing. An individual who
- 12 holds a limited license under subsection (2) on the effective date
- 13 of the amendatory act that added this subsection is considered to
- 14 hold a limited license under this subsection and is not subject to
- 15 the limitations on the license as described in subsection (2).
- 16 (4) (3) The board shall grant a temporary license to an
- 17 individual described in subsection (2) or (3) for the purpose of
- 18 obtaining the 1 year of postgraduate experience described in that
- 19 subsection. Beginning on March 31, 2018, a subsection (2) or (3). A
- 20 temporary license granted under this subsection is valid for 24
- 21 months and may be renewed for 1-2 additional 24-month term. terms.
- 22 If an individual described in subsection (2) was granted a
- 23 temporary license by the board before March 31, 2018, his or her
- 24 the individual's temporary license may be renewed for 1 additional
- **25** 24-month term.
- 26 (5) (4)—The board shall grant a temporary license to an
- 27 individual who is enrolled in a doctoral degree program that meets
- 28 the requirements of subsection (1). Beginning on March 31, 2018, a
- 29 temporary license granted under this subsection is valid for 24

- 1 months and may be renewed for 3 additional 24-month terms. If an
- 2 individual enrolled in a doctoral program that meets the
- 3 requirements of subsection (1) was granted a temporary license by
- 4 the board before March 31, 2018, his or her the individual's
- 5 temporary license may be renewed for 3 additional 24-month terms.
- 6 Sec. 18233. (1) In addition to the requirements of part 161,
- 7 the board may shall require a licensee seeking renewal of a license
- 8 to furnish the board with satisfactory evidence that during the 2
- 9 years immediately preceding application for renewal, the licensee
- 10 has attended continuing education courses or programs approved by
- 11 the board totaling not less than a number of hours established by
- 12 rule of the board in subjects related to the practice of psychology
- 13 and designed to further educate licensees.
- 14 (2) As required under section 16204, the board shall
- 15 promulgate rules requiring each applicant for license renewal to
- 16 complete as part of the continuing education requirement of
- 17 subsection (1) an appropriate number of hours or courses in pain
- 18 and symptom management.
- 19 Sec. 18237. A psychologist licensed or allowed to use that
- 20 title under this part or an individual under his or her the
- 21 psychologist's supervision cannot be compelled to disclose
- 22 confidential information acquired from an individual consulting the
- 23 psychologist in his or her the psychologist's professional capacity
- 24 if the information is necessary to enable the psychologist to
- 25 render services. Information may be disclosed with the consent of
- 26 the individual consulting the psychologist, or if the individual
- 27 consulting the psychologist is a minor, with the consent of the
- 28 minor's guardian, pursuant to section 16222 if the psychologist
- 29 reasonably believes it is necessary to disclose the information to

- 1 comply with section 16222, or under section 16281. In a contest on
- 2 the admission of a deceased individual's will to probate, an heir
- 3 at law of the decedent, whether a proponent or contestant of the
- 4 will, and the personal representative of the decedent may waive the
- 5 privilege created by this section.