

JUDITH B. ROBSON

STATE SENATOR • WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE
CHAIR, HUMAN SERVICES AND AGING COMMITTEE
CO-CHAIR, JOINT COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

To: Members of the Senate Committee on Human Services and Aging

Re: Paper Ballots

Date: February 28, 2000

Attached please find paper ballots on the following bills:

- SB 307, relating to the amount of irrevocable burial trusts;
- SB 321, relating to creating a marriage and family therapist training certificate and changing the eligibility requirements for taking the examination for a marriage and family therapist or professional counselor certificate;
- SB 323, relating to the membership of the controlled substances board; and
- SB 324, relating to the membership of the dentistry examining board.

Please return your ballots to me no later than 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 1, 2000.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND AGING

Paper Ballot on Senate Bill 321

Under current law, a person may obtain a professional counselor or marriage and family therapist certificate if the person satisfies certain education, examination and supervised clinical practice requirements. However, a person may not take the examination that is required until after he or she satisfies the supervised clinical practice requirements.

SB 321 permits a person to take the examination before the person satisfies the supervised clinical practice requirements.

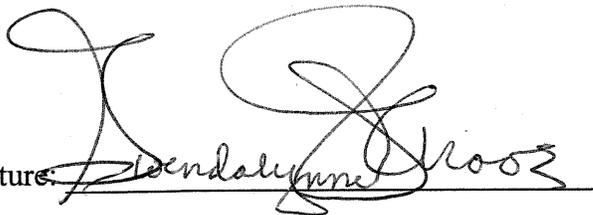
SB 321 also creates a marriage and family therapist training certificate. A person can obtain this training certificate provided that the person meets the requirements that are specified in the bill.

Moved by: Senator Robson

Motion: Recommend passage

Aye

No

Signature: 

Date: March 1, 2000

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND AGING

Paper Ballot on Senate Bill 321

Under current law, a person may obtain a professional counselor or marriage and family therapist certificate if the person satisfies certain education, examination and supervised clinical practice requirements. However, a person may not take the examination that is required until after he or she satisfies the supervised clinical practice requirements.

SB 321 permits a person to take the examination before the person satisfies the supervised clinical practice requirements.

SB 321 also creates a marriage and family therapist training certificate. A person can obtain this training certificate provided that the person meets the requirements that are specified in the bill.

Moved by: Senator Robson

Motion: Recommend passage

Aye

No

Signature: R. Winch

Date: Feb 29, 2000

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND AGING

Paper Ballot on Senate Bill 321

Under current law, a person may obtain a professional counselor or marriage and family therapist certificate if the person satisfies certain education, examination and supervised clinical practice requirements. However, a person may not take the examination that is required until after he or she satisfies the supervised clinical practice requirements.

SB 321 permits a person to take the examination before the person satisfies the supervised clinical practice requirements.

SB 321 also creates a marriage and family therapist training certificate. A person can obtain this training certificate provided that the person meets the requirements that are specified in the bill.

Moved by: Senator Robson

Motion: Recommend passage

Aye

No

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Patty Roszalec
2/29/00

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND AGING

Paper Ballot on Senate Bill 321

Under current law, a person may obtain a professional counselor or marriage and family therapist certificate if the person satisfies certain education, examination and supervised clinical practice requirements. However, a person may not take the examination that is required until after he or she satisfies the supervised clinical practice requirements.

SB 321 permits a person to take the examination before the person satisfies the supervised clinical practice requirements.

SB 321 also creates a marriage and family therapist training certificate. A person can obtain this training certificate provided that the person meets the requirements that are specified in the bill.

Moved by: Senator Robson

Motion: Recommend passage

Aye

No

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Carol R. Robson
Feb 29, 2000

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND AGING

Paper Ballot on Senate Bill 321

Under current law, a person may obtain a professional counselor or marriage and family therapist certificate if the person satisfies certain education, examination and supervised clinical practice requirements. However, a person may not take the examination that is required until after he or she satisfies the supervised clinical practice requirements.

SB 321 permits a person to take the examination before the person satisfies the supervised clinical practice requirements.

SB 321 also creates a marriage and family therapist training certificate. A person can obtain this training certificate provided that the person meets the requirements that are specified in the bill.

Moved by: Senator Robson

Motion: Recommend passage

Aye

No

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Jason Robson
2-1-2000



Tommy G. Thompson
Governor

Marlene A. Cummings
Secretary

1400 E. WASHINGTON AVENUE
P. O. BOX 8935
MADISON, WISCONSIN 53708-8935
E-Mail: dorl@mail.state.wi.us
(608) 266-2112
FAX#: (608) 267-0644

**Testimony on Senate Bill 321
Before The
Senate Committee on Human Services and Aging
Thursday, February 10, 2000, 10:30 A.M.
201 Southeast, State Capitol**

Good morning, Chairperson Robson, and members of the committee. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill 321 relating to creating a marriage and family therapist's training certificate and the eligibility requirements for taking the examination for a marriage and family therapist or professional counselor certificate. **The Department of Regulation and Licensing and the Examining Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors both SUPPORT SB 321.**

SB 321 allows eligible Marriage and Family Therapist applicants the opportunity to use the title "Marriage and Family Therapist", while pursuing supervised clinical marriage and family therapy practice, in fulfillment of the requirements for permanent Marriage and Family Therapist certification. The certificate is for a maximum of 24 months or until the training certificate holder is no longer employed as a marriage and family therapist in a supervised clinical marriage and family therapist practice position or its equivalent. The training certificate cannot be renewed.

SB 321 allows Marriage and Family Therapist or Professional Counselor applicants to sit for the examination after successfully completing their degree requirements and before he or she completes the supervised clinical practice requirements.

SB 321 allows Marriage and Family Therapists, along with Social Workers and Professional Counselors, to issue training certificates for their applicants.

We ask for your support and favorable vote on SB 321. Attached for your information and review is a chart that shows the current law, the proposed statutory changes and the reasons for the changes.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to testify on this legislation. We would be happy to respond to any questions you may have.

Submitted By: Myra L. Shelton, Executive Assistant, Department of Regulation and Licensing
Lynn Gauger, Board Member, Examining Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors

Attachment

MLS/Testimony SB 321.doc

EXAMINING BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS STATUTE
 Create s. 457.11 and amend ss. 457.16(3) and 457.20(2).

CURRENT LAW:	PROPOSED CHANGE	REASON FOR CHANGE
<p>Professional counselor and social worker training certificates are available for applicants who meet the educational and/or supervised experience requirements for certification. The certificates allow the candidates to use the titles prior to completing examination and/or supervised clinical practice. Presently a training certificate is not available for marriage and family therapist certification applicants.</p>	<p>To create a marriage and family therapists training certificate for applicants who, after submitting an application, paying the appropriate fee and having satisfied the educational requirements, and who is employed part time or full-time or have an offer of part time or full-time employment, as a marriage and family therapist in a supervised clinical marriage and family therapist practice or in a position in which he or she would receive training and supervision received in a supervised clinical marriage and family therapist practice.</p> <p>The certificate is for a maximum of 24 months or until the training certificate holder is no longer employed as a marriage and family therapist in a supervised clinical marriage and family therapist practice position or its equivalent.</p>	<p>Would allow eligible marriage and family therapist applicants the opportunity to use the title "marriage and family therapists," while pursuing supervised clinical marriage and family therapy practice, in fulfillment of the requirements for permanent marriage and family therapist certification.</p>
<p>A marriage and family therapist applicant is not eligible for examination unless he or she submits evidence that he or she has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • submitted the appropriate application and fee; • submits evidence satisfactory to the marriage and family therapists section that he or she has received a master's or doctorate degree in marriage and family therapy from a program accredited by the commission on accreditation for marriage and family therapy education or received a master's or doctorate degree in marriage and family therapy, psychology, sociology, social work, professional counseling or other mental health field that included course work that the marriage and family therapist section determines is substantially equivalent to the course work required for a master's or doctorate degree in marriage and family therapy; • has engaged in the equivalent of at least 2 years of full-time supervised clinical marriage and family therapy after receiving a master's or doctorate approved by the marriage and family sections. 	<p>Marriage and family therapists applicants would be eligible for the examination after submitting the application, appropriate fee and submitting evidence of receiving a master's or doctorate degree in marriage and family therapy or its educational equivalent.</p>	<p>Would allow marriage and family therapists applicants to sit for the examination after successfully completing their degree requirements.</p>

EXAMINING BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS STATUTE
 Create s. 457.11 and amend ss. 457.16(3) and 457.20(2).

CURRENT LAW:	PROPOSED CHANGE	REASON FOR CHANGE
<p>A professional counselor applicant is not eligible for examination unless he or she submits evidence that he or she has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • submitted the appropriate application and fee; • submits evidence satisfactory to the professional counselor section that he or she has received a master's or doctorate degree in professional counseling or its equivalent from a program approved by the professional counselor section.; • Submits evidence satisfactory to the professional counselor section that he or she has done any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • after receiving a master's degree in professional counseling or its equivalent, engaged in the equivalent of at least 2 years of full-time supervised clinical professional counseling practice approved by the professional counselor section or • after receiving a doctorate degree in professional counseling or its equivalent, engaged in the equivalent of at least one year of full-time supervised clinical professional counseling practice approved by the professional counselor section <p>Professional Counselor training certificate and the temporary certificates, issuance of certificate, expiration and renewal are referenced, in the statutes.</p>	<p>Professional Counselor applicants would be eligible for the examination after submitting the application, appropriate fee and submitting evidence of having received a master's or doctorate degree in professional counseling or its educational equivalent.</p>	<p>Would allow professional counselor applicants to sit for the examination after successfully completing their degree requirements.</p>
<p>Professional Counselor training certificate and the temporary certificates, issuance of certificate, expiration and renewal are referenced, in the statutes.</p>	<p>To reference the social worker training certificate and the marriage and family therapists training certificate renewal dates in the statutes.</p>	<p>Would define the renewal dates for the social worker and marriage and family therapists training certificates.</p>