

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Clinical Social Work and Social Work
5 Practice Act is amended by changing Section 12.5 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 20/12.5)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2028)

8 Sec. 12.5. Endorsement. The Department may issue a license
9 as a clinical social worker or as a social worker, without the
10 required examination, to an applicant licensed under the laws
11 of another jurisdiction if the requirements for licensure in
12 that jurisdiction are, on the date of licensure, substantially
13 equivalent to the requirements of this Act or to any person
14 who, at the time of his or her licensure, possessed individual
15 qualifications that were substantially equivalent to the
16 requirements then in force in this State. An applicant under
17 this Section shall pay the required fees.

18 An individual applying for licensure as a clinical social
19 worker who has been licensed at the independent level in
20 another United States jurisdiction for 10 consecutive years
21 without discipline is not required to submit proof of
22 completion of the education and supervised clinical
23 professional experience required in paragraph (3) of Section 9

1 and proof of passage of the examination required in paragraph
2 (4) of Section 9. Individuals with 10 consecutive years of
3 experience must submit certified verification of licensure
4 from the jurisdiction in which the applicant practiced and must
5 comply with all other licensing requirements and pay all
6 required fees.

7 If the accuracy of any submitted documentation or the
8 relevance or sufficiency of the course work or experience is
9 questioned by the Department or the Board because of a lack of
10 information, discrepancies or conflicts in information given,
11 or a need for clarification, the applicant seeking licensure
12 may be required to provide additional information.

13 An applicant has 3 years from the date of application to
14 complete the application process. If the process has not been
15 completed within 3 years, the application shall be denied, the
16 fee shall be forfeited, and the applicant must reapply and meet
17 the requirements in effect at the time of reapplication.

18 (Source: P.A. 95-687, eff. 10-23-07.)

19 Section 10. The Marriage and Family Therapy Licensing Act
20 is amended by changing Section 65 as follows:

21 (225 ILCS 55/65) (from Ch. 111, par. 8351-65)

22 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2027)

23 Sec. 65. Endorsement. The Department may issue a license as
24 a licensed marriage and family therapist, without the required

1 examination, to an applicant licensed under the laws of another
2 state if the requirements for licensure in that state are, on
3 the date of licensure, substantially equivalent to the
4 requirements of this Act or to a person who, at the time of his
5 or her application for licensure, possessed individual
6 qualifications that were substantially equivalent to the
7 requirements then in force in this State. An applicant under
8 this Section shall pay all of the required fees.

9 An individual applying for licensure as a licensed marriage
10 and family therapist who has been licensed at the independent
11 level in another United States jurisdiction for 10 consecutive
12 years without discipline is not required to submit proof of
13 completion of the education, professional experience, and
14 supervision required in Section 40. Individuals with 10
15 consecutive years of experience must submit certified
16 verification of licensure from the jurisdiction in which the
17 applicant practiced and must comply with all other licensing
18 requirements and pay all required fees.

19 If the accuracy of any submitted documentation or the
20 relevance or sufficiency of the course work or experience is
21 questioned by the Department or the Board because of a lack of
22 information, discrepancies or conflicts in information given,
23 or a need for clarification, the applicant seeking licensure
24 may be required to provide additional information.

25 Applicants have 3 years from the date of application to
26 complete the application process. If the process has not been

1 completed within the 3 years, the application shall be denied,
2 the fee shall be forfeited, and the applicant must reapply and
3 meet the requirements in effect at the time of reapplication.

4 (Source: P.A. 100-372, eff. 8-25-17.)

5 Section 15. The Professional Counselor and Clinical
6 Professional Counselor Licensing and Practice Act is amended by
7 changing Section 70 as follows:

8 (225 ILCS 107/70)

9 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2023)

10 Sec. 70. Endorsement. The Department may issue a license as
11 a licensed professional counselor or licensed clinical
12 professional counselor, without the required examination, to
13 (i) an applicant licensed under the laws of another state or
14 United States jurisdiction whose standards in the opinion of
15 the Department, were substantially equivalent at the date of
16 his or her licensure in the other jurisdiction to the
17 requirements of this Act or (ii) any person who, at the time of
18 licensure, possessed individual qualifications which were
19 substantially equivalent to the requirements of this Act. Such
20 an applicant shall pay all of the required fees.

21 An individual applying for licensure as a clinical
22 professional counselor who has been licensed independent level
23 in another United States jurisdiction for 10 consecutive years
24 without discipline is not required to submit proof of

1 completion of the supervised employment or experience required
2 in subsection (b) of Section 45. Individuals with 10
3 consecutive years of experience must submit certified
4 verification of licensure from the jurisdiction in which the
5 applicant practiced and must comply with all other licensing
6 requirements and pay all required fees.

7 If the accuracy of any submitted documentation or the
8 relevance or sufficiency of the course work or experience is
9 questioned by the Department or the Board because of a lack of
10 information, discrepancies or conflicts in information given,
11 or a need for clarification, the applicant seeking licensure
12 may be required to provide additional information.

13 Applicants have 3 years from the date of application to
14 complete the application process. If the process has not been
15 completed within 3 years, the application shall be denied, the
16 fee forfeited, and the applicant must reapply and meet the
17 requirements in effect at the time of reapplication.

18 (Source: P.A. 87-1011; 87-1269.)