

SB3154



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SB3154

Introduced 2/19/2016, by Sen. Wm. Sam McCann

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

225 ILCS 55/10

from Ch. 111, par. 8351-10

Amends the Marriage and Family Therapy Licensing Act. Provides that "title or description" means to hold oneself out as a licensed marriage and family therapist or an associate licensed marriage and family therapist to the public by means of stating on signs, mailboxes, address plates, stationery, announcements, calling cards, Internet website, social media, or other instruments or means of professional identification.

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A BILL FOR

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 Marriage and Family Therapy Licensing Act is
5 amended by changing Section 10 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 55/10) (from Ch. 111, par. 8351-10)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2018)

8 Sec. 10. Definitions. As used in this Act:

9 "Address of record" means the designated address recorded
10 by the Department in the applicant's or licensee's application
11 file or license file maintained by the Department's licensure
12 maintenance unit. It is the duty of the applicant or licensee
13 to inform the Department of any change of address, and such
14 changes must be made either through the Department's website or
15 by contacting the Department's licensure maintenance unit.

16 "Advertise" means, but is not limited to, issuing or
17 causing to be distributed any card, sign or device to any
18 person; or causing, permitting or allowing any sign or marking
19 on or in any building, structure, newspaper, magazine or
20 directory, or on radio or television; or advertising by any
21 other means designed to secure public attention.

22 "Approved program" means an approved comprehensive program
23 of study in marriage and family therapy in a regionally

1 accredited educational institution approved by the Department
2 for the training of marriage and family therapists.

3 "Associate licensed marriage and family therapist" means a
4 person to whom an associate marriage and family therapist
5 license has been issued under this Act.

6 "Board" means the Illinois Marriage and Family Therapy
7 Licensing and Disciplinary Board.

8 "Department" means the Department of Financial and
9 Professional Regulation.

10 "License" means that which is required to practice marriage
11 and family therapy under this Act, the qualifications for which
12 include specific education, acceptable experience and
13 examination requirements.

14 "Licensed marriage and family therapist" means a person to
15 whom a marriage and family therapist license has been issued
16 under this Act.

17 "Marriage and family therapy" means the evaluation and
18 treatment of mental and emotional problems within the context
19 of human relationships. Marriage and family therapy involves
20 the use of psychotherapeutic methods to ameliorate
21 interpersonal and intrapersonal conflict and to modify
22 perceptions, beliefs and behavior in areas of human life that
23 include, but are not limited to, premarriage, marriage,
24 sexuality, family, divorce adjustment, and parenting.

25 "Person" means any individual, firm, corporation,
26 partnership, organization, or body politic.

1 "Practice of marriage and family therapy" means the
2 rendering of marriage and family therapy services to
3 individuals, couples, and families as defined in this Section,
4 either singly or in groups, whether the services are offered
5 directly to the general public or through organizations, either
6 public or private, for a fee, monetary or otherwise.

7 "Secretary" means the Secretary of Financial and
8 Professional Regulation.

9 "Title or description" means to hold oneself out as a
10 licensed marriage and family therapist or an associate licensed
11 marriage and family therapist to the public by means of stating
12 on signs, mailboxes, address plates, stationery,
13 announcements, calling cards, Internet website, social media,
14 or other instruments or means of professional identification.

15 (Source: P.A. 95-703, eff. 12-31-07.)