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On page 8, line 12, of the Introduced bill, delete " an accredited counseling program recognized" and insert " a counseling program approved"

On page 8, line 12, of the Introduced bill, delete " board" and insert " Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs or an equivalent program, as demonstrated by studies in the following areas:

- (a) The general principles and practices of etiology, diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of mental and emotional disorders and dysfunctional behavior;
- (b) The general principles and practices for the promotion of optimal mental health;
- (c) The specific models and methods for assessing mental status;
- (d) The identification of mental illness or abnormal, deviant, or psychopathologic behavior by obtaining appropriate behavioral data using a variety of techniques, including nonprojective personality assessments and achievement, aptitude, and intelligence testing, and translating findings into the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders;
- (e) The specific theories of psychotherapy for initiating, maintaining, and terminating therapy with a mentally and emotionally impaired client or a client with disabilities in a variety of settings using a variety of modalities, including crisis intervention, brief, intermediate, and long-term modalities;
- (f) The basic classification, indications, and contraindications of the commonly prescribed psychopharmacological medications for the purpose of identifying the effects and side effects of prescribed psychotropic medications;
- (g) The guidelines for conducting an intake interview and mental health history for planning and managing of client caseload; and
- (h) The specific concepts and ideas related to mental health education, outreach, prevention, and mental health promotion"

On page 8, line 14, of the Introduced bill, after "passed" delete " a standardized national examination approved by"

On page 8, line 14, of the Introduced bill, delete " board" and insert " National Clinical Mental Health Counseling Examination administered by the National Board for Certified Counselors"

On page 8, line 17, of the Introduced bill, after "of" insert " direct client contact"

On page 8, line 26, of the Introduced bill, after "section." delete "Certain postgraduate supervision hours acquired to meet requirements to be licensed as a professional counselor under § 36-32-64 may be used to meet the provisions of subdivision (3), as prescribed by the board.

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On page 8, line 29, of the Introduced bill, delete "(3)" and insert "(4)"

On page 8, line 33, of the Introduced bill, delete "(5)" and insert "(6)"