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AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senat 173.002, Line 53, by inserting after said section	te Substitute for Senate Bill No. 160, Page 8, Section and line the following:
"173.1102. 1. As used in sections 173.1	101 to 173.1107, unless the context requires
otherwise, the following terms mean:	
(1) "Academic year", the period from Ju	lly first of any year through June thirtieth of the
following year;	
(2) "Approved private institution", a nor	approfit institution, dedicated to educational purposes
located in Missouri which:	
(a) Is operated privately under the contr	ol of an independent board and not directly
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	instruction at least six months in length leading to or
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	as determined by either the Higher Learning
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(d) Meets the standards for accreditation as determined by either the Higher Learning Commission, or if a public community college created under the provisions of sections 178.370 to 178.400 meets the standards established by the coordinating board for higher education for such public community colleges, or by other accrediting bodies recognized by the United States Department of Education or by utilizing accreditation standards applicable to the institution as established by the coordinating board for higher education;

- (e) Does not discriminate in the hiring of administrators, faculty and staff or in the admission of students on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin and is otherwise in compliance with the Federal Civil Rights Acts of 1964 and 1968 and executive orders issued pursuant thereto;
- (f) Permits faculty members to select textbooks without influence or pressure by any religious or sectarian source;
- (4) "Approved virtual institution", an educational institution that meets all of the following requirements:
- (a) Is recognized as a qualifying institution by gubernatorial executive order, unless such order is rescinded;
- (b) Is recognized as a qualifying institution through a memorandum of understanding between the state of Missouri and the approved virtual institution;
- (c) Is accredited by a regional accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education;
- (d) Has established and continuously maintains a physical campus or location of operation within the state of Missouri;
- (e) Maintains at least twenty-five full-time Missouri employees, at least one-half of which shall be faculty or administrators engaged in operations;
- (f) Enrolls at least one thousand Missouri residents as degree- or certificate-seeking students;
- (g) Maintains a governing body or advisory board based in Missouri with oversight of Missouri operations;
 - (h) Is organized as a nonprofit institution; and
 - (i) Utilizes an exclusively competency-based education model;
 - (5) "Coordinating board", the coordinating board for higher education;
- (6) ["Expected family contribution", the amount of money a student and family should pay toward the cost of postsecondary education as calculated by the United States Department of Education and reported on the student aid report or the institutional student information record;
- (7)] "Financial assistance", an amount of money paid by the state of Missouri to a qualified applicant under sections 173.1101 to 173.1107;
- [(8)] (7) "Full-time student", an individual who is enrolled in and is carrying a sufficient number of credit hours or their equivalent at an approved private, public, or virtual institution to secure the degree or certificate toward which he or she is working in no more than the number of

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semesters or their equivalent normally required by that institution in the program in which the individual is enrolled. This definition shall be construed as the successor to subdivision (7) of section 173.205 for purposes of eligibility requirements of other financial assistance programs that refer to section 173.205;

- (8) "Student aid index", the amount of money a student and family should pay toward the cost of postsecondary education as calculated by the United States Department of Education and reported on the student aid report or the institutional student information record.
- 2. The failure of an approved virtual institution to continuously maintain all of the requirements in paragraphs (a) to (i) of subdivision (4) of subsection 1 of this section shall preclude such institution's students or applicants from being eligible for assistance under sections 173.1104 and 173.1105.
- 173.1103. 1. The coordinating board shall be the administrative agency for the implementation of the program established by sections 173.1101 to 173.1107. The coordinating board shall promulgate reasonable rules and regulations for the exercise of its functions and the effectuation of the purposes of sections 173.1101 to 173.1107. It shall prescribe the form and the time and method of filing applications and supervise the processing thereof. The coordinating board shall determine the criteria for eligibility of applicants and shall evaluate each applicant's [expected family contribution] student aid index. It shall select qualified recipients to receive financial assistance, make such awards of financial assistance to qualified recipients, and determine the manner and method of payment to the recipient.
- 2. The coordinating board shall determine eligibility for renewed assistance on the basis of annual applications and annual evaluations of [expected family contribution] student aid index. In awarding renewal grants, the coordinating board may increase or decrease the amount of financial assistance to an applicant if such action is warranted by a change in the financial condition of the applicant, the applicant's spouse or parents, or the availability of funds for that year. As a condition to consideration for initial or renewed assistance, the coordinating board may require the applicant, the applicant's spouse and parents to execute forms of consent authorizing the director of revenue of Missouri to compare financial information submitted by the applicant with the Missouri individual income tax returns of the applicant, the applicant's spouse and parents for the taxable year immediately preceding the year for which application is made, and to report any discrepancies to the coordinating board.
- 3. There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Access Missouri Financial Assistance Fund". The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund and may approve disbursements from the fund in accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180. Upon appropriation, money in the fund shall be used solely to provide financial assistance to qualified applicants as provided by sections 173.1101 to 173.1107. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary, any moneys remaining in the fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the general revenue fund. The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be credited to the fund.

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173.1105. 1. An applicant who is an undergraduate postsecondary student at an approved private, public, or virtual institution and who meets the other eligibility criteria shall be eligible for financial assistance, with a minimum and maximum award amount as follows:

(1) For academic years 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13, and 2013-14:

- (a) One thousand dollars maximum and three hundred dollars minimum for students attending institutions classified as part of the public two-year sector;
- (b) Two thousand one hundred fifty dollars maximum and one thousand dollars minimum for students attending institutions classified as part of the public four-year sector, including State Technical College of Missouri; and
- (c) Four thousand six hundred dollars maximum and two thousand dollars minimum for students attending approved private institutions;
- (2) For the 2014-15 academic year [and subsequent years] through the 2024-25 academic year:
- (a) One thousand three hundred dollars maximum and three hundred dollars minimum for students attending institutions classified as part of the public two-year sector; and
- (b) Two thousand eight hundred fifty dollars maximum and one thousand five hundred dollars minimum for students attending institutions classified as part of the public four-year sector, including State Technical College of Missouri, approved private institutions, or approved virtual institutions; and
 - (3) For the 2025-26 academic year and all subsequent academic years:
- (a) One thousand seven hundred dollars maximum and five hundred dollars minimum for students attending institutions classified as part of the public two-year sector; and
- (b) Three thousand five hundred dollars maximum and one thousand seven hundred fifty dollars minimum for students attending institutions classified as part of the public four-year sector, including State Technical College of Missouri, approved private institutions, or approved virtual institutions.
- 2. All students with [an expected family contribution] a student aid index of twelve thousand dollars or less shall receive at least the minimum award amount for his or her institution. Maximum award amounts for an eligible student with [an expected family contribution] a student aid index above seven thousand dollars shall be reduced by ten percent of the maximum [expected family contribution] student aid index for his or her increment group. Any award amount shall be reduced by the amount of a student's payment from the A+ schools program or any successor program to it. For purposes of this subsection, the term "increment group" shall mean a group organized by [expected family contribution] student aid index in five hundred dollar increments into which all eligible students shall be placed.
- 3. If appropriated funds are insufficient to fund the program as described, the maximum award shall be reduced across all sectors by the percentage of the shortfall. If appropriated funds exceed the amount necessary to fund the program, the additional funds shall be used to increase the number of recipients by either extending the deadline for filing an application or raising the cutoff

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for the [expected family contribution] student aid index rather than by increasing the size of the award, as determined by the department.

4. Every three years, beginning with the 2025-26 academic year [2009-10], the award amount may be adjusted to increase no more than the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), 1982-1984 = 100, not seasonally adjusted, as defined and officially recorded by the United States Department of Labor, or its successor agency, for the previous academic year. The coordinating board shall prepare a report prior to the legislative session for use of the general assembly and the governor in determining budget requests which shall include the amount of funds necessary to maintain full funding of the program based on the baseline established for the program upon the effective date of sections 173.1101 to 173.1107. Any increase in the award amount shall not become effective unless an increase in the amount of money appropriated to the program necessary to cover the increase in award amount is passed by the general assembly."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 13, Section 178.787, Line 48, by inserting after said section and line the following:

"337.600. As used in sections 337.600 to 337.689, the following terms mean:

- (1) "Advanced macro social worker", the applications of social work theory, knowledge, methods, principles, values, and ethics; and the professional use of self to community and organizational systems, systemic and macrocosm issues, and other indirect nonclinical services; specialized knowledge and advanced practice skills in case management, information and referral, nonclinical assessments, counseling, outcome evaluation, mediation, nonclinical supervision, nonclinical consultation, expert testimony, education, outcome evaluation, research, advocacy, social planning and policy development, community organization, and the development, implementation and administration of policies, programs, and activities. A licensed advanced macro social worker may not treat mental or emotional disorders or provide psychotherapy without the direct supervision of a licensed clinical social worker, or diagnose a mental disorder;
- (2) "Clinical social work", the application of social work theory, knowledge, values, methods, principles, and techniques of case work, group work, client-centered advocacy, community organization, administration, planning, evaluation, consultation, research, psychotherapy and counseling methods and techniques to persons, families and groups in assessment, diagnosis, treatment, prevention and amelioration of mental and emotional conditions;
 - (3) "Committee", the state committee for social workers established in section 337.622;
 - (4) "Department", the Missouri department of commerce and insurance;
 - (5) "Director", the director of the division of professional registration;
 - (6) "Division", the division of professional registration;
- (7) "Independent practice", any practice of social workers outside of an organized setting such as a social, medical, or governmental agency in which a social worker assumes responsibility and accountability for services required;

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(8) "Licensed advanced macro social worker", any person who offers to render services to individuals, groups, families, couples, organizations, institutions, communities, government agencies, corporations, or the general public for a fee, monetary or otherwise, implying that the person is trained, experienced, and licensed as an advanced macro social worker, and who holds a current valid license to practice as an advanced macro social worker;

- (9) "Licensed baccalaureate social worker", any person who offers to render services to individuals, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, government agencies, or the general public for a fee, monetary or otherwise, implying that the person is trained, experienced, and licensed as a baccalaureate social worker, and who holds a current valid license to practice as a baccalaureate social worker;
- (10) "Licensed clinical social worker", any person who offers to render services to individuals, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, government agencies, or the general public for a fee, monetary or otherwise, implying that the person is trained, experienced, and licensed as a clinical social worker, and who holds a current, valid license to practice as a clinical social worker;
- (11) "Licensed master social worker", any person who offers to render services to individuals, groups, families, couples, organizations, institutions, communities, government agencies, corporations, or the general public for a fee, monetary or otherwise, implying that the person is trained, experienced, and licensed as a master social worker, and who holds a current valid license to practice as a master social worker. A licensed master social worker may not treat mental or emotional disorders, provide psychotherapy without the direct supervision of a licensed clinical social worker, or diagnose a mental disorder;
- (12) "Master social work", the application of social work theory, knowledge, methods, and ethics and the professional use of self to restore or enhance social, psychosocial, or biopsychosocial functioning of individuals, couples, families, groups, organizations, communities, institutions, government agencies, or corporations. The practice includes the applications of specialized knowledge and advanced practice skills in the areas of assessment, treatment planning, implementation and evaluation, case management, mediation, information and referral, counseling, client education, supervision, consultation, education, research, advocacy, community organization and development, planning, evaluation, implementation and administration of policies, programs, and activities. Under supervision as provided in this section, the practice of master social work may include the practices reserved to clinical social workers or advanced macro social workers for no more than forty-eight consecutive calendar months for the purpose of obtaining licensure under section 337.615 or 337.645;
- (13) "Practice of advanced macro social work", rendering, offering to render, or supervising those who render to individuals, couples, families, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, government agencies, communities, or the general public any service involving the application of methods, principles, and techniques of advanced practice macro social work;

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(14) "Practice of baccalaureate social work", rendering, offering to render, or supervising those who render to individuals, families, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, or the general public any service involving the application of methods, principles, and techniques of baccalaureate social work;

- (15) "Practice of clinical social work", rendering, offering to render, or supervising those who render to individuals, couples, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, or the general public any service involving the application of methods, principles, and techniques of clinical social work;
- (16) "Practice of master social work", rendering, offering to render, or supervising those who render to individuals, couples, families, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, government agencies, communities, or the general public any service involving the application of methods, principles, and techniques of master social work;
- (17) "Qualified advanced macro supervisor", any licensed social worker who meets the qualifications of a qualified clinical supervisor or a licensed advanced macro social worker who has:
- (a) Practiced in the field of social work as a licensed social worker for which he or she is supervising the applicant for a minimum of five years;
- (b) Successfully completed a minimum of sixteen hours of supervisory training from the Association of Social Work Boards, the National Association of Social Workers, an accredited university, or a program approved by the state committee for social workers. All organizations providing the supervisory training shall adhere to the basic content and quality standards outlined by the state committee on social work; and
- (c) Met all the requirements of sections 337.600 to 337.689, and as defined by rule by the state committee for social workers;
- (18) "Qualified baccalaureate supervisor", any licensed social worker who meets the qualifications of a qualified clinical supervisor, qualified master supervisor, qualified advanced macro supervisor, or a licensed baccalaureate social worker who has:
- (a) Practiced in the field of social work as a licensed social worker for which he or she is supervising the applicant for a minimum of five years;
- (b) Successfully completed a minimum of sixteen hours of supervisory training from the Association of Social Work Boards, the National Association of Social Workers, an accredited university, or a program approved by the state committee for social workers. All organizations providing the supervisory training shall adhere to the basic content and quality standards outlined by the state committee on social workers; and
- (c) Met all the requirements of sections 337.600 to 337.689, and as defined by rule by the state committee for social workers;
 - (19) "Qualified clinical supervisor", any licensed clinical social worker who has:
- (a) Practiced in the field of social work as a licensed social worker for which he or she is supervising the applicant for a minimum of five years;

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- (b) Successfully completed a minimum of sixteen hours of supervisory training from the Association of Social Work Boards, the National Association of Social Workers, an accredited university, or a program approved by the state committee for social workers. All organizations providing the supervisory training shall adhere to the basic content and quality standards outlined by the state committee on social work; and
- (c) Met all the requirements of sections 337.600 to 337.689, and as defined by rule by the state committee for social workers;
 - (20) "Social worker", any individual that has:

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- (a) Received a baccalaureate [or master's] degree in social work from an accredited social work program approved by the [council on social work education] Council on Social Work Education;
 - (b) Received a master's degree in social work from a social work program:
 - a. Accredited by the Council on Social Work Education; or
- b. Recognized and approved by the committee in accordance with rules adopted by the committee under section 337.627 and in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 337.628;
 - (c) Received a doctorate or Ph.D. in social work; or
 - (e) (d) A current social worker license as set forth in sections 337.600 to 337.689.
- 18 337.604. 1. No person shall hold himself or herself out to be a social worker unless such person has:
 - (1) Received a baccalaureate [or master's] degree in social work from an accredited social work program approved by the [council on social work education] Council on Social Work Education;
 - (2) Received a master's degree in social work from a social work program:
 - (a) Accredited by the Council on Social Work Education; or
 - (b) Recognized and approved by the committee in accordance with rules adopted by the committee under section 337.627 and in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 337.628;
 - (3) Received a doctorate or Ph.D. in social work; or
 - [(3)] (4) A current social worker license as set forth in sections 337.600 to 337.689.
- 2. No government entities, public or private agencies or organizations in the state shall use 30 the title "social worker" or any form of the title, including but not limited to the abbreviations "SW", 31 "BSW", "MSW", "DSW", "LBSW", "LBSW-IP", "LMSW", "PLCSW", "LCSW", "CSW",
 - "LAMSW", and "AMSW", for volunteer or employment positions or within contracts for services, documents, manuals, or reference material effective January 1, 2004, unless the volunteers or employees in those positions meet the criteria set forth in this chapter.
 - 337.615. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:
 - (1) "License", a license, certificate, registration, permit, accreditation, or military occupational specialty that enables a person to legally practice an occupation or profession in a particular jurisdiction;

- (2) "Military", the Armed Forces of the United States, including the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy, Space Force, National Guard, and any other military branch that is designated by Congress as part of the Armed Forces of the United States, and all reserve components and auxiliaries. The term "military" also includes the military reserves and militia of any United States territory or state;
- (3) "Nonresident military spouse", a nonresident spouse of an active-duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to the state of Missouri, or who has been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to an adjacent state and is or will be domiciled in the state of Missouri, or has moved to the state of Missouri on a permanent change-of-station basis;
- (4) "Oversight body", any board, department, agency, or office of a jurisdiction that issues licenses;
- (5) "Resident military spouse", a spouse of an active-duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to the state of Missouri or an adjacent state and who is a permanent resident of the state of Missouri, who is domiciled in the state of Missouri, or who has Missouri as his or her home of record.
- 2. Each applicant for licensure as a clinical social worker shall furnish evidence to the committee that:
 - (1) The applicant has:

<u>or</u>

- (a) A master's degree from a college or university program of social work:
- a. Accredited by the [council of social work education] Council on Social Work Education;
- b. Recognized and approved by the committee in accordance with rules adopted by the committee under section 337.627 and in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 337.628; or
 - (b) A doctorate degree from a school of social work acceptable to the committee;
- (2) The applicant has completed at least three thousand hours of supervised clinical experience with a qualified clinical supervisor, as defined in section 337.600, in no less than twenty-four months and no more than forty-eight consecutive calendar months. For any applicant who has successfully completed at least four thousand hours of supervised clinical experience with a qualified clinical supervisor, as defined in section 337.600, within the same time frame prescribed in this subsection, the applicant shall be eligible for application of licensure at three thousand hours and shall be furnished a certificate by the state committee for social workers acknowledging the completion of said additional hours;
- (3) The applicant has achieved a passing score, as defined by the committee, on an examination approved by the committee. The eligibility requirements for such examination shall be promulgated by rule of the committee; and
- (4) The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is a United States citizen or has status as a legal resident alien, and has not been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty

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or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of any state, of the United States, or of any country, for any offense directly related to the duties and responsibilities of the occupation, as set forth in section 324.012, regardless of whether or not sentence has been imposed.

- 3. (1) Any person who holds a valid current clinical social work license issued by another state, a branch or unit of the military, a territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia, and who has been licensed for at least one year in such other jurisdiction, may submit to the committee an application for a clinical social work license in Missouri along with proof of current licensure and proof of licensure for at least one year in the other jurisdiction.
 - (2) The committee shall:

- (a) Within six months of receiving an application described in subdivision (1) of this subsection, waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for licensure in this state for the applicant if it determines that there were minimum education requirements and, if applicable, work experience and clinical supervision requirements in effect and the other jurisdiction verifies that the person met those requirements in order to be licensed or certified in that jurisdiction. The committee may require an applicant to take and pass an examination specific to the laws of this state; or
- (b) Within thirty days of receiving an application described in subdivision (1) of this subsection from a nonresident military spouse or a resident military spouse, waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for licensure in this state for the applicant and issue such applicant a license under this subsection if such applicant otherwise meets the requirements of this subsection.
- (3) (a) The committee shall not waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for any applicant who has had his or her license revoked by an oversight body outside the state; who is currently under investigation, who has a complaint pending, or who is currently under disciplinary action, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subdivision, with an oversight body outside the state; who does not hold a license in good standing with an oversight body outside the state; who has a criminal record that would disqualify him or her for licensure in Missouri; or who does not hold a valid current license in the other jurisdiction on the date the committee receives his or her application under this subsection [and section].
- (b) If another jurisdiction has taken disciplinary action against an applicant, the committee shall determine if the cause for the action was corrected and the matter resolved. If the matter has not been resolved by that jurisdiction, the committee may deny a license until the matter is resolved.
- (4) Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the committee from denying a license to an applicant under this subsection for any reason described in section 337.630.
- (5) Any person who is licensed under the provisions of this subsection shall be subject to the committee's jurisdiction and all rules and regulations pertaining to the practice as a licensed clinical social worker in this state.
- (6) This subsection shall not be construed to waive any requirement for an applicant to pay any fees.

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- 4. The committee shall issue a license to each person who files an application and fee as required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689 and who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the committee that the applicant has complied with the provisions of subdivisions (1) to (4) of subsection 2 of this section.
 - 337.627. 1. The committee shall promulgate rules and regulations pertaining to:

- (1) The form and content of license applications required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689 and section 324.009 and the procedures for filing an application for an initial or renewal license in this state;
 - (2) Fees required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689 and section 324.009;
- (3) The characteristics of supervised clinical experience, supervised master experience, supervised advanced macro experience, and supervised baccalaureate experience;
- (4) The standards and methods to be used in assessing competency as a licensed clinical social worker, licensed master social worker, licensed advanced macro social worker, and licensed baccalaureate social worker, including the requirement for continuing education hours;
- (5) Establishment and promulgation of procedures for investigating, hearing and determining grievances and violations occurring pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689;
- (6) Development of an appeal procedure for the review of decisions and rules of administrative agencies existing pursuant to the constitution or laws of this state;
- (7) Establishment of a policy and procedure for reciprocity with states which do not have clinical, master, advanced macro, or baccalaureate social worker licensing laws and states whose licensing laws are not substantially similar to those of this state; [and]
- (8) Establishment of a policy and procedure for reviewing social work degree programs offering a master's degree in social work that have achieved candidacy or precandidacy status in the accreditation process established by the Council on Social Work Education to determine whether to recognize and approve such programs for licensure purposes; and
- (9) Any other policies or procedures necessary to the fulfillment of the requirements of sections 337.600 to 337.689.
- 2. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2007, shall be invalid and void.
- 337.628. A social work degree program offering a master's degree in social work that has achieved candidacy or precandidacy status in the accreditation process established by the Council on Social Work Education shall not receive automatic recognition and approval by the committee due to that status under the rules adopted under section 337.627. Only such programs may apply to the

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committee for recognition and approval, and the committee shall review each application on an individualized basis to determine whether the program qualifies for recognition and approval.

- 337.644. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:
- (1) "License", a license, certificate, registration, permit, accreditation, or military occupational specialty that enables a person to legally practice an occupation or profession in a particular jurisdiction;
- (2) "Military", the Armed Forces of the United States, including the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy, Space Force, National Guard, and any other military branch that is designated by Congress as part of the Armed Forces of the United States, and all reserve components and auxiliaries. The term "military" also includes the military reserves and militia of any United States territory or state;
- (3) "Nonresident military spouse", a nonresident spouse of an active-duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to the state of Missouri, or who has been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to an adjacent state and is or will be domiciled in the state of Missouri, or has moved to the state of Missouri on a permanent change-of-station basis;
- (4) "Oversight body", any board, department, agency, or office of a jurisdiction that issues licenses;
- (5) "Resident military spouse", a spouse of an active-duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to the state of Missouri or an adjacent state and who is a permanent resident of the state of Missouri, who is domiciled in the state of Missouri, or who has Missouri as his or her home of record.
- 2. Each applicant for licensure as a master social worker shall furnish evidence to the committee that:
 - (1) The applicant has:

- (a) A master's degree in social work from a social work degree program:
- a. Accredited by the Council on Social Work Education; or
- <u>b.</u> Recognized and approved by the committee in accordance with rules adopted by the committee under section 337.627 and in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 337.628; or
- (b) A doctorate degree in social work from an accredited social work degree program approved by the [council of social work education] Council on Social Work Education;
- (2) The applicant has achieved a passing score, as defined by the committee, on an examination approved by the committee. The eligibility requirements for such examination shall be determined by the state committee for social workers;
- (3) The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is a United States citizen or has status as a legal resident alien, and has not been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of any state, of the United States, or of

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any country, for any offense directly related to the duties and responsibilities of the occupation, as set forth in section 324.012, regardless of whether or not sentence is imposed;

- (4) The applicant has submitted a written application on forms prescribed by the state board; and
 - (5) The applicant has submitted the required licensing fee, as determined by the committee.
- 3. Any applicant who answers in the affirmative to any question on the application that relates to possible grounds for denial of licensure under section 337.630 shall submit a sworn affidavit setting forth in detail the facts which explain such answer and copies of appropriate documents related to such answer.
- 4. The committee shall issue a license to each person who files an application and fee as required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689 and who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the committee that the applicant has complied with the provisions of subsection 2 of this section. The license shall refer to the individual as a licensed master social worker and shall recognize that individual's right to practice licensed master social work as defined in section 337.600.
- 5. (1) Any person who holds a valid current master social work license issued by another state, a branch or unit of the military, a territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia, and who has been licensed for at least one year in such other jurisdiction, may submit to the committee an application for a master social work license in Missouri along with proof of current licensure and proof of licensure for at least one year in the other jurisdiction.
 - (2) The committee shall:

- (a) Within six months of receiving an application described in subdivision (1) of this subsection, waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for licensure in this state for the applicant if it determines that there were minimum education requirements and, if applicable, work experience and clinical supervision requirements in effect and the other jurisdiction verifies that the person met those requirements in order to be licensed or certified in that jurisdiction. The committee may require an applicant to take and pass an examination specific to the laws of this state; or
- (b) Within thirty days of receiving an application described in subdivision (1) of this subsection from a nonresident military spouse or a resident military spouse, waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for licensure in this state for the applicant and issue such applicant a license under this subsection if such applicant otherwise meets the requirements of this subsection.
- (3) (a) The committee shall not waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for any applicant who has had his or her license revoked by an oversight body outside the state; who is currently under investigation, who has a complaint pending, or who is currently under disciplinary action, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subdivision, with an oversight body outside the state; who does not hold a license in good standing with an oversight body outside the state; who has a criminal record that would disqualify him or her for licensure in Missouri; or

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who does not hold a valid current license in the other jurisdiction on the date the committee receives his or her application under this [section] subsection.

- (b) If another jurisdiction has taken disciplinary action against an applicant, the committee shall determine if the cause for the action was corrected and the matter resolved. If the matter has not been resolved by that jurisdiction, the committee may deny a license until the matter is resolved.
- (4) Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the committee from denying a license to an applicant under this subsection for any reason described in section 337.630.
- (5) Any person who is licensed under the provisions of this subsection shall be subject to the committee's jurisdiction and all rules and regulations pertaining to the practice as a licensed master social worker in this state.
- (6) This subsection shall not be construed to waive any requirement for an applicant to pay any fees.
- 337.645. 1. Each applicant for licensure as an advanced macro social worker shall furnish evidence to the committee that:
 - (1) The applicant has:

- (a) A master's degree from a college or university program of social work:
- 17 <u>a.</u> Accredited by the [eouncil of social work education] Council on Social Work Education; 18 <u>or</u>
 - b. Recognized and approved by the committee in accordance with rules adopted by the committee under section 337.627 and in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 337.628; or
 - (b) A doctorate degree from a school of social work acceptable to the committee;
 - (2) The applicant has completed at least three thousand hours of supervised advanced macro experience with a qualified advanced macro supervisor as defined in section 337.600 in no less than twenty-four months and no more than forty-eight consecutive calendar months. For any applicant who has successfully completed at least four thousand hours of supervised advanced macro experience with a qualified advanced macro supervisor, as defined in section 337.600, within the same time frame prescribed in this subsection, the applicant shall be eligible for application of licensure at three thousand hours and shall be furnished a certificate by the state committee for social workers acknowledging the completion of said additional hours;
 - (3) The applicant has achieved a passing score, as defined by the committee, on an examination approved by the committee. The eligibility requirements for such examination shall be promulgated by rule of the committee;
 - (4) The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is a United States citizen or has status as a legal resident alien, and has not been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of any state, of the United States, or of any country, for any offense directly related to the duties and responsibilities of the occupation, as set forth in section 324.012, regardless of whether or not sentence is imposed.

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- 2. Any person holding a current license, certificate of registration, or permit from another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia to practice advanced macro social work who has had no disciplinary action taken against the license, certificate of registration, or permit for the preceding five years may be granted a license to practice advanced macro social work in this state if the person meets one of the following criteria:
 - (1) Has:

- (a) Received:
- a. A master's degree in social work from a social work program:
- (i) Accredited by the Council on Social Work Education; or
- (ii) Recognized and approved by the committee in accordance with rules adopted by the committee under section 337.627 and in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 337.628; or
- <u>b. A</u> doctoral degree from a college or university program of social work accredited by the [eouncil of social work education] Council on Social Work Education; and [has]
 - (b) Been licensed to practice advanced macro social work for the preceding five years; or
- (2) Is currently licensed or certified as an advanced macro social worker in another state, territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia having substantially the same requirements as this state for advanced macro social workers.
- 3. The committee shall issue a license to each person who files an application and fee as required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689 and who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the committee that the applicant has complied with the provisions of subdivisions (1) to (4) of subsection 1 of this section or with the provisions of subsection 2 of this section."; and
- Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.