

HB 268 -- SOCIAL WORK DEGREE PROGRAMS

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Currently, an individual can become a social worker if he or she has received a baccalaureate or master's degree in social work. The social work programs must be accredited and approved by the Council on Social Work Education.

This bill allows individuals to get a master's degree from a social work program in precandidacy for accreditation that is recognized and approved by the committee for social workers.

This bill is similar to HB 216 (2025) and HCS HB 1533 (2024).