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HOUSE BILL NO. 3007

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE REUTER.

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 337.021, 337.025, 337.050, 337.510, 337.615, 337.618, 337.715, and 337.718, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof eight new sections relating to domestic violence education requirements for mental health professionals.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 337.021, 337.025, 337.050, 337.510, 337.615, 337.618, 337.715, 2 and 337.718, RSMo, are repealed and eight new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known 3 as sections 337.021, 337.025, 337.050, 337.510, 337.615, 337.618, 337.715, and 337.718, to 4 read as follows:

337.021. 1. The provisions of this section shall govern, except as provided in 2 subsection 3 of this section, the education and experience requirements for initial licensure as 3 a psychologist for the following persons:

4 (1) A person who has completed a graduate program which is primarily psychological 5 in nature prior to August 28, 1990; or

6 (2) A person who is matriculated in a graduate program which is primarily 7 psychological in nature prior to August 28, 1990; provided that, such person who does not 8 complete all requirements for initial licensure prior to August 28, 1996, except as provided in 9 subsections 5 and 6 of this section, shall be governed by the licensure requirements of section 10 337.025.

11 2. Each applicant shall submit evidence satisfactory to the committee that:

12 (1) The applicant either:

13 [~~1~~] (a) Has received a doctoral degree, based upon a program of studies from a 14 recognized educational institution the contents of which were primarily psychological, as

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [~~thus~~] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

15 defined by rule, and who has had at least one year of satisfactory supervised professional
16 experience in the general field of psychology, as defined by rule; or

17 ~~[(2)]~~ (b) Received a master's degree, based upon a program of studies from a
18 recognized educational institution the contents of which were primarily psychological, as
19 defined by rule, and who has had at least three years of satisfactory professional experience in
20 the general field of psychology, as defined by rule; and

21 **(2) The applicant has completed three semester credit hours of graduate-level**
22 **courses related to domestic violence.**

23 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of this section, an applicant who
24 has received a doctoral degree from a graduate program which is primarily psychological in
25 nature prior to August 28, 1990, may elect at the applicant's option to have the applicant's
26 application and licensure evaluated pursuant to the provisions of either section 337.021 or
27 337.025.

28 4. The rules referred to in subsection 2 of this section shall be those rules as
29 previously promulgated by the department pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.020 and
30 337.050 as were in force and effect on August 28, 1989.

31 5. Notwithstanding any provision of section 337.025 or this section to the contrary,
32 any person who qualifies for initial licensure pursuant to **paragraph (b) of** subdivision ~~[(2)]~~
33 **(1)** of subsection 2 of this section that has taken the Missouri licensing examination but has
34 not received a passing score on the licensing examination before August 28, 1996, shall be
35 allowed the same amount of attempts, within the same allotted time, to pass such examination
36 as a person who meets the requirements for initial licensure pursuant to **paragraph (a) of**
37 subdivision (1) of subsection 2 of this section.

38 6. As used in sections 337.010 to 337.090, initial licensure refers only to the
39 educational and experience requirements set forth in subsection 2 of this section, such that
40 initial licensure shall not include passage of any examination given for the purposes of full
41 licensure under section 337.020.

337.025. 1. The provisions of this section shall govern the education and experience
2 requirements for initial licensure as a psychologist for the following persons:

3 (1) A person who has not matriculated in a graduate degree program which is
4 primarily psychological in nature on or before August 28, 1990; and

5 (2) A person who is matriculated after August 28, 1990, in a graduate degree program
6 designed to train professional psychologists.

7 2. Each applicant shall submit satisfactory evidence to the committee that the
8 applicant has received a doctoral degree in psychology from a recognized educational
9 institution, **has completed three semester credit hours of graduate-level courses related to**

10 **domestic violence**, and has had at least one year of satisfactory supervised professional
11 experience in the field of psychology.

12 3. A doctoral degree in psychology is defined as:

13 (1) A program accredited, or provisionally accredited, by the American Psychological
14 Association (APA), the Canadian Psychological Association (CPA), or the Psychological
15 Clinical Science Accreditation System (PCSAS); provided that, such program includes a
16 supervised practicum, internship, field, or laboratory training appropriate to the practice of
17 psychology; or

18 (2) A program designated or approved, including provisional approval, by the
19 Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards or the Council for the National
20 Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology, or both; or

21 (3) A graduate program that meets all of the following criteria:

22 (a) The program, wherever it may be administratively housed, shall be clearly
23 identified and labeled as a psychology program. Such a program shall specify in pertinent
24 institutional catalogues and brochures its intent to educate and train professional
25 psychologists;

26 (b) The psychology program shall stand as a recognizable, coherent organizational
27 entity within the institution of higher education;

28 (c) There shall be a clear authority and primary responsibility for the core and
29 specialty areas whether or not the program cuts across administrative lines;

30 (d) The program shall be an integrated, organized, sequence of study;

31 (e) There shall be an identifiable psychology faculty and a psychologist responsible
32 for the program;

33 (f) The program shall have an identifiable body of students who are matriculated in
34 that program for a degree;

35 (g) The program shall include a supervised practicum, internship, field, or laboratory
36 training appropriate to the practice of psychology;

37 (h) The curriculum shall encompass a minimum of three academic years of full-time
38 graduate study, with a minimum of one year's residency at the educational institution granting
39 the doctoral degree; and

40 (i) Require the completion by the applicant of a core program in psychology which
41 shall be met by the completion and award of at least one three-semester-hour graduate credit
42 course or a combination of graduate credit courses totaling three semester hours or five
43 quarter hours in each of the following areas:

44 a. The biological bases of behavior such as courses in: physiological psychology,
45 comparative psychology, neuropsychology, sensation and perception, psychopharmacology;

46 b. The cognitive-affective bases of behavior such as courses in: learning, thinking,
47 motivation, emotion, and cognitive psychology;

48 c. The social bases of behavior such as courses in: social psychology, group
49 processes/dynamics, interpersonal relationships, and organizational and systems theory;

50 d. Individual differences such as courses in: personality theory, human development,
51 abnormal psychology, developmental psychology, child psychology, adolescent psychology,
52 psychology of aging, and theories of personality;

53 e. The scientific methods and procedures of understanding, predicting and influencing
54 human behavior such as courses in: statistics, experimental design, psychometrics, individual
55 testing, group testing, and research design and methodology.

56 4. Acceptable supervised professional experience may be accrued through
57 preinternship, internship, predoctoral postinternship, or postdoctoral experiences. The
58 academic training director or the postdoctoral training supervisor shall attest to the hours
59 accrued to meet the requirements of this section. Such hours shall consist of:

60 (1) A minimum of fifteen hundred hours of experience in a successfully completed
61 internship to be completed in not less than twelve nor more than twenty-four months; and

62 (2) A minimum of two thousand hours of experience consisting of any combination
63 of the following:

64 (a) Preinternship and predoctoral postinternship professional experience that occurs
65 following the completion of the first year of the doctoral program or at any time while in a
66 doctoral program after completion of a master's degree in psychology or equivalent as defined
67 by rule by the committee;

68 (b) Up to seven hundred fifty hours obtained while on the internship under
69 subdivision (1) of this subsection but beyond the fifteen hundred hours identified in
70 subdivision (1) of this subsection; or

71 (c) Postdoctoral professional experience obtained in no more than twenty-four
72 consecutive calendar months. In no case shall this experience be accumulated at a rate of
73 more than fifty hours per week. Postdoctoral supervised professional experience for
74 prospective health service providers and other applicants shall involve and relate to the
75 delivery of psychological services in accordance with professional requirements and relevant
76 to the applicant's intended area of practice.

77 5. Experience for those applicants who intend to seek health service provider
78 certification and who have completed a program in one or more of the American
79 Psychological Association designated health service provider delivery areas shall be obtained
80 under the primary supervision of a licensed psychologist who is also a health service provider
81 or who otherwise meets the requirements for health service provider certification. Experience
82 for those applicants who do not intend to seek health service provider certification shall be

83 obtained under the primary supervision of a licensed psychologist or such other qualified
84 mental health professional approved by the committee.

85 6. For postinternship and postdoctoral hours, the psychological activities of the
86 applicant shall be performed pursuant to the primary supervisor's order, control, and full
87 professional responsibility. The primary supervisor shall maintain a continuing relationship
88 with the applicant and shall meet with the applicant a minimum of one hour per month in
89 face-to-face individual supervision. Clinical supervision may be delegated by the primary
90 supervisor to one or more secondary supervisors who are qualified psychologists. The
91 secondary supervisors shall retain order, control, and full professional responsibility for the
92 applicant's clinical work under their supervision and shall meet with the applicant a minimum
93 of one hour per week in face-to-face individual supervision. If the primary supervisor is also
94 the clinical supervisor, meetings shall be a minimum of one hour per week. Group
95 supervision shall not be acceptable for supervised professional experience. The primary
96 supervisor shall certify to the committee that the applicant has complied with these
97 requirements and that the applicant has demonstrated ethical and competent practice of
98 psychology. The changing by an agency of the primary supervisor during the course of the
99 supervised experience shall not invalidate the supervised experience.

100 7. The committee by rule shall provide procedures for exceptions and variances from
101 the requirements for once a week face-to-face supervision due to vacations, illness,
102 pregnancy, and other good causes.

337.050. 1. There is hereby created and established a "State Committee of
2 Psychologists", which shall consist of seven licensed psychologists and one public member.
3 The state committee of psychologists existing on August 28, 1989, is abolished. Nothing in
4 this section shall be construed to prevent the appointment of any current member of the state
5 committee of psychologists to the new state committee of psychologists created on August
6 28, 1989.

7 2. Appointments to the committee shall be made by the governor upon the
8 recommendations of the director of the division, upon the advice and consent of the senate.
9 The division, prior to submitting nominations, shall solicit nominees from professional
10 psychological associations and licensed psychologists in the state. The term of office for
11 committee members shall be five years, and committee members shall not serve more than
12 ten years. No person who has previously served on the committee for ten years shall be
13 eligible for appointment. In making initial appointments to the committee, the governor shall
14 stagger the terms of the appointees so that two members serve initial terms of two years, two
15 members serve initial terms of three years, and two members serve initial terms of four years.

16 3. Each committee member shall be a resident of the state of Missouri for one year,
17 shall be a United States citizen, and shall, other than the public member, have been licensed as

18 a psychologist in this state for at least three years. Committee members shall reflect a
19 diversity of practice specialties. To ensure adequate representation of the diverse fields of
20 psychology, the committee shall consist of at least two psychologists who are engaged full
21 time in the doctoral teaching and training of psychologists, and at least two psychologists who
22 are engaged full time in the professional practice of psychology. In addition, the first
23 appointment to the committee shall include at least one psychologist who shall be licensed on
24 the basis of a master's degree who shall serve a full term of five years. Nothing in sections
25 337.010 to 337.090 shall be construed to prohibit full membership rights on the committee for
26 psychologists licensed on the basis of a master's degree. If a member of the committee shall,
27 during the member's term as a committee member, remove the member's domicile from the
28 state of Missouri, then the committee shall immediately notify the director of the division, and
29 the seat of that committee member shall be declared vacant. All such vacancies shall be filled
30 by appointment of the governor with the advice and consent of the senate, and the member so
31 appointed shall serve for the unexpired term of the member whose seat has been declared
32 vacant.

33 4. The public member shall be at the time of the public member's appointment a
34 citizen of the United States; a resident of this state for a period of one year and a registered
35 voter; a person who is not and never was a member of any profession licensed or regulated
36 pursuant to sections 337.010 to 337.093 or the spouse of such person; and a person who does
37 not have and never has had a material, financial interest in either the providing of the
38 professional services regulated by sections 337.010 to 337.093, or an activity or organization
39 directly related to any profession licensed or regulated pursuant to sections 337.010 to
40 337.093. The duties of the public member shall not include the determination of the technical
41 requirements to be met for licensure or whether any person meets such technical requirements
42 or of the technical competence or technical judgment of a licensee or a candidate for
43 licensure.

44 5. The committee shall hold a regular annual meeting at which it shall select from
45 among its members a chairperson and a secretary. A quorum of the committee shall consist of
46 a majority of its members. In the absence of the chairperson, the secretary shall conduct the
47 office of the chairperson.

48 6. Each member of the committee shall receive, as compensation, an amount set by
49 the division not to exceed fifty dollars for each day devoted to the affairs of the committee
50 and shall be entitled to reimbursement for necessary and actual expenses incurred in the
51 performance of the member's official duties.

52 7. Staff for the committee shall be provided by the director of the division of
53 professional registration.

54 8. The governor may remove any member of the committee for misconduct,
55 inefficiency, incompetency, or neglect of office.

56 9. In addition to the powers set forth elsewhere in sections 337.010 to 337.090, the
57 division may adopt rules and regulations, not otherwise inconsistent with sections 337.010 to
58 337.090, to carry out the provisions of sections 337.010 to 337.090. The committee may
59 promulgate, by rule, "Ethical Rules of Conduct" governing the practices of psychology which
60 rules shall be based upon the ethical principles promulgated and published by the American
61 Psychological Association.

62 10. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is
63 promulgated to administer and enforce sections 337.010 to 337.090, shall become effective
64 only if the agency has fully complied with all of the requirements of chapter 536 including but
65 not limited to section 536.028 if applicable, after August 28, 1998. All rulemaking authority
66 delegated prior to August 28, 1998, is of no force and effect and repealed as of August 28,
67 1998, however nothing in this act shall be interpreted to repeal or affect the validity of any
68 rule adopted and promulgated prior to August 28, 1998. If the provisions of section 536.028
69 apply, the provisions of this section are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the
70 general assembly pursuant to section 536.028 to review, to delay the effective date, or to
71 disapprove and annul a rule or portion of a rule are held unconstitutional or invalid, the
72 purported grant of rulemaking authority and any rule so proposed and contained in the order
73 of rulemaking shall be invalid and void, except that nothing in this act shall affect the validity
74 of any rule adopted and promulgated prior to August 28, 1998.

75 11. The committee may sue and be sued in its official name, and shall have a seal
76 which shall be affixed to all certified copies or records and papers on file, and to such other
77 instruments as the committee may direct. All courts shall take judicial notice of such seal.
78 Copies of records and proceedings of the committee, and of all papers on file with the
79 division on behalf of the committee certified under the seal shall be received as evidence in all
80 courts of record.

81 12. When applying for a renewal of a license pursuant to section 337.030, each
82 licensed psychologist shall submit proof of the completion of at least forty hours of
83 continuing education credit within the two-year period immediately preceding the date of the
84 application for renewal of the license, with a minimum of three of the forty hours of
85 continuing education dedicated to professional ethics **and a minimum of two of the forty**
86 **hours of continuing education dedicated to domestic violence.** The type of continuing
87 education to be considered shall include, but not be limited to:

88 (1) Attending recognized educational seminars, the content of which are primarily
89 psychological, as defined by rule;

90 (2) Attending a graduate level course at a recognized educational institution where
91 the contents of which are primarily psychological, as defined by rule;

92 (3) Presenting a recognized educational seminar, the contents of which are primarily
93 psychological, as defined by rule;

94 (4) Presenting a graduate level course at a recognized educational institution where
95 the contents of which are primarily psychological, as defined by rule; and

96 (5) Independent course of studies, the contents of which are primarily psychological,
97 which have been approved by the committee and defined by rule.

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99 The committee shall determine by administrative rule the amount of training, instruction, self-
100 instruction or teaching that shall be counted as an hour of continuing education credit.

337.510. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

2 (1) "License", a license, certificate, registration, permit, accreditation, or military
3 occupational specialty that enables a person to legally practice an occupation or profession in
4 a particular jurisdiction;

5 (2) "Military", the Armed Forces of the United States, including the Air Force, Army,
6 Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy, Space Force, National Guard and any other military
7 branch that is designated by Congress as part of the Armed Forces of the United States, and
8 all reserve components and auxiliaries. Such term also includes the military reserves and
9 militia of any United States territory or state;

10 (3) "Nonresident military spouse", a nonresident spouse of an active duty member of
11 the Armed Forces of the United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be
12 transferred to the state of Missouri, or who has been transferred or is scheduled to be
13 transferred to an adjacent state and is or will be domiciled in the state of Missouri, or has
14 moved to the state of Missouri on a permanent change-of-station basis;

15 (4) "Resident military spouse", a spouse of an active duty member of the Armed
16 Forces of the United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to the
17 state of Missouri or an adjacent state and who is a permanent resident of the state of Missouri,
18 who is domiciled in the state of Missouri, or who has Missouri as his or her home of record.

19 2. Each applicant for licensure as a professional counselor shall furnish evidence to
20 the committee that the applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is a United States citizen or
21 is legally present in the United States; and

22 (1) The applicant has completed a course of study as defined by the board rule leading
23 to a master's, specialist's, or doctoral degree with a major in counseling, except any applicant
24 who has held a license as a professional counselor in this state or currently holds a license as a
25 professional counselor in another state shall not be required to have completed any courses
26 related to career development; ~~and~~

27 (2) The applicant has completed acceptable supervised counseling as defined by
28 board rule. If the applicant has a master's degree with a major in counseling as defined by
29 board rule, the applicant shall complete at least two years of acceptable supervised counseling
30 experience subsequent to the receipt of the master's degree. The composition and number of
31 hours comprising the acceptable supervised counseling experience shall be defined by board
32 rule. An applicant may substitute thirty semester hours of post master's graduate study for
33 one of the two required years of acceptable supervised counseling experience if such hours
34 are clearly related to counseling;

35 (3) After August 28, 2007, each applicant shall have completed a minimum of three
36 hours of graduate level coursework in diagnostic systems either in the curriculum leading to a
37 degree or as post master's graduate level course work;

38 (4) **The applicant has completed three semester credit hours of graduate-level**
39 **courses related to domestic violence; and**

40 (5) Upon examination, the applicant is possessed of requisite knowledge of the
41 profession, including techniques and applications, research and its interpretation, and
42 professional affairs and ethics.

43 3. (1) Any person who holds a valid current professional counselor license issued by
44 another state, a branch or unit of the military, a territory of the United States, or the District of
45 Columbia, and who has been licensed for at least one year in such other jurisdiction, may
46 submit an application for a professional counselor license in Missouri along with proof of
47 current licensure and proof of licensure for at least one year in the other jurisdiction, to the
48 committee.

49 (2) The committee shall:

50 (a) Within six months of receiving an application described in subdivision (1) of this
51 subsection, waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for licensure in
52 this state for the applicant if it determines that there were minimum education requirements
53 and, if applicable, work experience and clinical supervision requirements in effect and the
54 other state and jurisdiction verifies that the person met those requirements in order to be
55 licensed or certified in that state and jurisdiction. The committee may require an applicant to
56 take and pass an examination specific to the laws of this state; or

57 (b) Within thirty days of receiving an application described in subdivision (1) of this
58 subsection from a nonresident military spouse or a resident military spouse, waive any
59 examination, educational, or experience requirements for licensure in this state for the
60 applicant and issue such applicant a license under this subsection if such applicant otherwise
61 meets the requirements of this subsection ~~[and section]~~.

62 (3) (a) The committee shall not waive any examination, educational, or experience
63 requirements for any applicant who has had his or her license revoked by a committee outside

64 the state; who is currently under investigation, who has a complaint pending, or who is
65 currently under disciplinary action, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subdivision,
66 with a committee outside the state; who does not hold a license in good standing with a
67 committee outside the state; who has a criminal record that would disqualify him or her for
68 licensure in Missouri; or who does not hold a valid current license in the other jurisdiction on
69 the date the committee receives his or her application under this subsection ~~[and section]~~.

70 (b) If another jurisdiction has taken disciplinary action against an applicant, the
71 committee shall determine if the cause for the action was corrected and the matter resolved.
72 If the matter has not been resolved by that jurisdiction, the committee may deny a license
73 until the matter is resolved.

74 (4) Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the committee from denying a license to
75 an applicant under this subsection for any reason described in section 337.525.

76 (5) Any person who is licensed under the provisions of this subsection shall be
77 subject to the committee's jurisdiction and all rules and regulations pertaining to the practice
78 as a licensed professional counselor in this state.

79 (6) This subsection shall not be construed to waive any requirement for an applicant
80 to pay any fees.

81 4. The committee shall issue a license to each person who files an application and fee
82 and who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the committee that the applicant has complied with
83 the provisions of this act and has taken and passed a written, open-book examination on
84 Missouri laws and regulations governing the practice of professional counseling as defined in
85 section 337.500. The division shall issue a provisional professional counselor license to any
86 applicant who meets all requirements of this section, but who has not completed the required
87 acceptable supervised counseling experience and such applicant may reapply for licensure as
88 a professional counselor upon completion of such acceptable supervised counseling
89 experience.

90 5. All persons licensed to practice professional counseling in this state shall pay on or
91 before the license renewal date a renewal license fee and shall furnish to the committee
92 satisfactory evidence of the completion of the requisite number of hours of continuing
93 education as required by rule, including two hours of suicide assessment, referral, treatment,
94 and management training **and two hours of education on domestic violence**, which shall be
95 no more than forty hours biennially. The continuing education requirements may be waived
96 by the committee upon presentation to the committee of satisfactory evidence of the illness of
97 the licensee or for other good cause.

337.615. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

2 (1) "License", a license, certificate, registration, permit, accreditation, or military
3 occupational specialty that enables a person to legally practice an occupation or profession in
4 a particular jurisdiction;

5 (2) "Military", the Armed Forces of the United States, including the Air Force, Army,
6 Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy, Space Force, National Guard, and any other military
7 branch that is designated by Congress as part of the Armed Forces of the United States, and
8 all reserve components and auxiliaries. The term military also includes the military reserves
9 and militia of any United States territory or state;

10 (3) "Nonresident military spouse", a nonresident spouse of an active-duty member of
11 the Armed Forces of the United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be
12 transferred to the state of Missouri, or who has been transferred or is scheduled to be
13 transferred to an adjacent state and is or will be domiciled in the state of Missouri, or has
14 moved to the state of Missouri on a permanent change-of-station basis;

15 (4) "Oversight body", any board, department, agency, or office of a jurisdiction that
16 issues licenses;

17 (5) "Resident military spouse", a spouse of an active-duty member of the Armed
18 Forces of the United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to the
19 state of Missouri or an adjacent state and who is a permanent resident of the state of Missouri,
20 who is domiciled in the state of Missouri, or who has Missouri as his or her home of record.

21 2. Each applicant for licensure as a clinical social worker shall furnish evidence to the
22 committee that:

23 (1) The applicant has:

24 (a) A master's degree from a college or university program of social work:

25 a. Accredited by the Council on Social Work Education; or

26 b. Recognized and approved by the committee in accordance with rules adopted by
27 the committee under section 337.627 and in accordance with the procedure set forth in section
28 337.628; or

29 (b) A doctorate degree from a school of social work acceptable to the committee;

30 (2) **The applicant has completed three semester credit hours of graduate-level**
31 **courses related to domestic violence;**

32 (3) The applicant has completed at least three thousand hours of supervised clinical
33 experience with a qualified clinical supervisor, as defined in section 337.600, in no less than
34 twenty-four months and no more than forty-eight consecutive calendar months. For any
35 applicant who has successfully completed at least four thousand hours of supervised clinical
36 experience with a qualified clinical supervisor, as defined in section 337.600, within the same
37 time frame prescribed in this subsection, the applicant shall be eligible for application of

38 licensure at three thousand hours and shall be furnished a certificate by the state committee
39 for social workers acknowledging the completion of said additional hours;

40 ~~[(3)]~~ (4) The applicant has achieved a passing score, as defined by the committee, on
41 an examination approved by the committee. The eligibility requirements for such
42 examination shall be promulgated by rule of the committee; and

43 ~~[(4)]~~ (5) The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is a United States citizen or
44 has status as a legal resident alien, and has not been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or
45 entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of any
46 state, of the United States, or of any country, for any offense directly related to the duties and
47 responsibilities of the occupation, as set forth in section 324.012, regardless of whether or not
48 sentence has been imposed.

49 3. (1) Any person who holds a valid current clinical social work license issued by
50 another state, a branch or unit of the military, a territory of the United States, or the District of
51 Columbia, and who has been licensed for at least one year in such other jurisdiction, may
52 submit to the committee an application for a clinical social work license in Missouri along
53 with proof of current licensure and proof of licensure for at least one year in the other
54 jurisdiction.

55 (2) The committee shall:

56 (a) Within six months of receiving an application described in subdivision (1) of this
57 subsection, waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for licensure in
58 this state for the applicant if it determines that there were minimum education requirements
59 and, if applicable, work experience and clinical supervision requirements in effect and the
60 other jurisdiction verifies that the person met those requirements in order to be licensed or
61 certified in that jurisdiction. The committee may require an applicant to take and pass an
62 examination specific to the laws of this state; or

63 (b) Within thirty days of receiving an application described in subdivision (1) of this
64 subsection from a nonresident military spouse or a resident military spouse, waive any
65 examination, educational, or experience requirements for licensure in this state for the
66 applicant and issue such applicant a license under this subsection if such applicant otherwise
67 meets the requirements of this subsection.

68 (3) (a) The committee shall not waive any examination, educational, or experience
69 requirements for any applicant who has had his or her license revoked by an oversight body
70 outside the state; who is currently under investigation, who has a complaint pending, or who
71 is currently under disciplinary action, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subdivision,
72 with an oversight body outside the state; who does not hold a license in good standing with an
73 oversight body outside the state; who has a criminal record that would disqualify him or her

74 for licensure in Missouri; or who does not hold a valid current license in the other jurisdiction
75 on the date the committee receives his or her application under this subsection.

76 (b) If another jurisdiction has taken disciplinary action against an applicant, the
77 committee shall determine if the cause for the action was corrected and the matter resolved.
78 If the matter has not been resolved by that jurisdiction, the committee may deny a license
79 until the matter is resolved.

80 (4) Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the committee from denying a license to
81 an applicant under this subsection for any reason described in section 337.630.

82 (5) Any person who is licensed under the provisions of this subsection shall be
83 subject to the committee's jurisdiction and all rules and regulations pertaining to the practice
84 as a licensed clinical social worker in this state.

85 (6) This subsection shall not be construed to waive any requirement for an applicant
86 to pay any fees.

87 4. The committee shall issue a license to each person who files an application and fee
88 as required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689 and who furnishes evidence
89 satisfactory to the committee that the applicant has complied with the provisions of
90 subdivisions (1) to ~~(4)~~ (5) of subsection 2 of this section.

337.618. Each license issued pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.600 to
2 337.689 shall expire on a renewal date established by the director. The term of licensure shall
3 be twenty-four months. The committee shall require a minimum number of thirty clock hours
4 of continuing education for renewal of a license issued pursuant to sections 337.600 to
5 337.689, including two hours of suicide assessment, referral, treatment, and management
6 training **and, for clinical social workers, two hours of education on domestic violence.**
7 The committee shall renew any license upon application for a renewal, completion of the
8 required continuing education hours and upon payment of the fee established by the
9 committee pursuant to the provisions of section 337.612. As provided by rule, the board may
10 waive or extend the time requirements for completion of continuing education for reasons
11 related to health, military service, foreign residency, or for other good cause. All requests for
12 waivers or extensions of time shall be made in writing and submitted to the board before the
13 renewal date.

337.715. 1. Each applicant for licensure or provisional licensure as a marital and
2 family therapist shall furnish evidence to the committee that:

3 (1) The applicant has a master's degree or a doctoral degree in marital and family
4 therapy from a program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and
5 Family Therapy Education, or its equivalent as defined by committee regulation, from an
6 educational institution accredited by a regional accrediting body that is recognized by the
7 United States Department of Education;

8 (2) The applicant for licensure as a marital and family therapist has twenty-four
9 months of postgraduate supervised clinical experience acceptable to the committee, as the
10 state committee determines by rule;

11 (3) After August 28, 2008, the applicant shall have completed a minimum of three
12 semester hours of graduate-level course work in diagnostic systems either within the
13 curriculum leading to a degree as defined in subdivision (1) of this subsection or as post-
14 master's graduate-level course work. Each applicant shall demonstrate supervision of
15 diagnosis as a core component of the postgraduate supervised clinical experience as defined
16 in subdivision (2) of this subsection;

17 (4) **The applicant has completed three semester credit hours of graduate-level**
18 **courses related to domestic violence;**

19 (5) Upon examination, the applicant is possessed of requisite knowledge of the
20 profession, including techniques and applications research and its interpretation and
21 professional affairs and ethics; **and**

22 [~~5~~] (6) The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is a United States citizen or
23 has status as a legal resident alien, and has not been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or
24 entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of any
25 state, of the United States, or of any country, for any offense directly related to the duties and
26 responsibilities of the occupation, as set forth in section 324.012, regardless of whether or not
27 sentence is imposed.

28 2. Any person otherwise qualified for licensure holding a current license, certificate
29 of registration, or permit from another state or territory of the United States or the District of
30 Columbia to practice marriage and family therapy may be granted a license without
31 examination to engage in the practice of marital and family therapy in this state upon
32 application to the state committee, payment of the required fee as established by the state
33 committee, and satisfaction of the following:

34 (1) Determination by the state committee that the requirements of the other state or
35 territory are substantially the same as Missouri;

36 (2) Verification by the applicant's licensing entity that the applicant has a current
37 license; and

38 (3) Consent by the applicant to examination of any disciplinary history in any state.

39 3. The state committee shall issue a license to each person who files an application
40 and fee as required by the provisions of sections 337.700 to 337.739.

337.718. 1. Each license issued pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.700 to
2 337.739 shall expire on a renewal date established by the director. The term of licensure shall
3 be twenty-four months; however, the director may establish a shorter term for the first
4 licenses issued pursuant to sections 337.700 to 337.739. The division shall renew any license

5 upon application for a renewal and upon payment of the fee established by the division
6 pursuant to the provisions of section 337.712. Effective August 28, 2008, as a prerequisite for
7 renewal, each licensed marital and family therapist shall furnish to the committee satisfactory
8 evidence of the completion of the requisite number of hours of continuing education as
9 defined by rule, which shall be no more than forty contact hours biennially. At least two
10 hours of continuing education shall be in suicide assessment, referral, treatment, and
11 management training, **and at least two hours of continuing education shall be related to**
12 **domestic violence.** The continuing education requirements may be waived by the committee
13 upon presentation to the committee of satisfactory evidence of illness or for other good cause.
14 2. The committee may issue temporary permits to practice under extenuating
15 circumstances as determined by the committee and defined by rule.

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