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MEMORANDUM

January 28, 2009

TO: Representative McGihon
House Health and Human Services Committee

FROM: Josh Abram, Fiscal Analyst (303-866-3561)

SUBJECT: Fiscal Assessment of Proposed Amendment **HB1086_L.001**.

This memorandum is an assessment of the fiscal impact of the attached proposed amendment to **HB09-1086**. This fiscal assessment is for the impact of the bill with inclusion of this amendment only. Any other added amendment could influence the fiscal impact.

Summary of Proposed Amendment

Amendment L.001 changes the bill to clarify that:

- ▶ the test of continued competency for mental health professionals be a self administered test;
- ▶ either the director of the Division of Registrations or the appropriate mental health board may determine qualifications for license renewals;
- ▶ periodic demonstration of knowledge and skills be supported by documentation of continued competency activities; and
- ▶ mental health professionals are not required to retake any test connected to an initial license application.

With regard to rules promulgated for addiction counselors, the director of the division must consult with the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division in the Colorado Department of Human Services, in addition to other stakeholders.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment

The amendment makes clarifying changes to the bill; however, these changes do not change the fiscal impact of the introduced bill. For information on the revenue and expenditures of HB09-1086, please refer to the fiscal note dated January 26, 2009.

Bill's Revised Fiscal Impact with Amendment

If L.001 is adopted, there will be no change to the fiscal impact of HB09-1086. Revenue from fees to the Division of Registrations Cash Fund remain estimated at \$164,472 in FY 2009-10 and \$117,480 in FY 2010-11.

Costs of the bill remain \$134,123 and 1.2 FTE to the Department of Regulatory Agencies in FY 2009-10 and \$79,277 and 1.0 FTE to the department in FY 2010-11.

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chairman of Committee

Date

Committee on Health and Human Services.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB09-1086 be amended as follows:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 2, line 4, strike "board" and substitute "board,";
- 2 line 5, strike "DIRECTOR, AS APPROPRIATE," and substitute "DIRECTOR
- 3 PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY SPECIFIED IN PART 8 OF THIS ARTICLE,";
- 4 line 13, strike "board OR DIRECTOR" and substitute "board, OR THE
- 5 DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY SPECIFIED IN PART 8 OF THIS
- 6 ARTICLE,".
- 7 Page 3, line 16, strike "ASSESSMENT" and substitute "A
- 8 SELF-ASSESSMENT";
- 9 line 21, after "SKILLS", insert "THROUGH DOCUMENTATION OF
- 10 ACTIVITIES";
- 11 line 22, strike "A" and substitute "AT LEAST";
- 12 line 23, after "PROFESSION.", add "NOTHING IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III)
- 13 SHALL REQUIRE A LICENSED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER OR A LICENSED
- 14 SOCIAL WORKER TO RETAKE ANY EXAMINATION REQUIRED PURSUANT TO
- 15 SECTION 12-43-404 IN CONNECTION WITH INITIAL LICENSURE.".
- 16 Page 5, line 7, strike "ASSESSMENT" and substitute "A
- 17 SELF-ASSESSMENT";
- 18 line 12, after "SKILLS", insert "THROUGH DOCUMENTATION OF



- 1 ACTIVITIES";
- 2 line 13, strike "A" and substitute "AT LEAST";
- 3 line 14, after "PROFESSION.", add "NOTHING IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III)
4 SHALL REQUIRE A LICENSED MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST TO RETAKE
5 ANY EXAMINATION REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-43-504 IN
6 CONNECTION WITH INITIAL LICENSURE."
- 7 Page 6, line 22, strike "ASSESSMENT" and substitute "A
8 SELF-ASSESSMENT";
- 9 line 26, after "SKILLS", insert "THROUGH DOCUMENTATION OF
10 ACTIVITIES";
- 11 line 27, strike "A" and substitute "AT LEAST".
- 12 Page 7, line 1, after "PROFESSION.", add "NOTHING IN THIS
13 SUBPARAGRAPH (III) SHALL REQUIRE A LICENSED PROFESSIONAL
14 COUNSELOR TO RETAKE ANY EXAMINATION REQUIRED PURSUANT TO
15 SECTION 12-43-603 IN CONNECTION WITH INITIAL LICENSURE."
- 16 Page 8, line 7, after "WITH", insert "THE ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE
17 DIVISION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND OTHER";
- 18 line 10, strike "ASSESSMENT" and substitute "A SELF-ASSESSMENT";
- 19 line 15, after "SKILLS", insert "THROUGH DOCUMENTATION OF
20 ACTIVITIES";
- 21 line 16, strike "A" and substitute "AT LEAST";
- 22 line 17, after "PROFESSION.", add "NOTHING IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III)
23 SHALL REQUIRE A LICENSED OR LEVEL II OR LEVEL III CERTIFIED
24 ADDICTION COUNSELOR TO RETAKE ANY EXAMINATION REQUIRED
25 PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-43-804 IN CONNECTION WITH INITIAL
26 LICENSURE OR CERTIFICATION."

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