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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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Amends the Professional Counselor and Clinical Professional Counselor Licensing Act. Renames the Act the Professional Counselor and Clinical Professional Counselor Licensing and Practice Act (and makes conforming changes in other Acts). Creates new provisions concerning licensed professional counselors practice requirements and confidential information. Also makes changes in provisions concerning the declaration of public policy; definitions; exemptions; restrictions and limitations; unlicensed practice; violations; civil penalties; powers and duties of the Department; the Professional Counselor and Examining and Disciplinary Board; qualifications for a license; licenses; renewals; restorations; persons in military service; inactive status; fees; checks or orders dishonored; privileged communications and exceptions; grounds for discipline; refusal, revocation, or suspension of licensure; violations; injunctions; cease and desist orders; investigations; notice and hearings; record of proceedings; transcripts; subpoenas; oaths; compelling testimony; findings and recommendations; the Board; rehearings; order for rehearings; appointment of a hearing officer; order or certified copy; prima facie proof; restoration of suspended or revoked licenses; summary suspension of license; certification of record; costs; violations; and the Administrative Procedure Act and applications. Amends the Regulatory Sunset Act to extend the Professional Counselor and Clinical Professional Counselor Licensing Act from January 1, 2013 to January 1, 2023. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

CORRECTIONAL BUDGET AND IMPACT NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 1. The Regulatory Sunset Act is amended by changing
Section 4.23 and by adding Section 4.33 as follows:

(5 ILCS 80/4.23) 6 7 Sec. 4.23. Acts and Sections repealed on January 1, 2013. 8 The following Acts and Sections of Acts are repealed on January 9 1, 2013: The Dietetic and Nutrition Services Practice Act. 10 The Elevator Safety and Regulation Act. 11 The Fire Equipment Distributor and Employee Regulation Act 12 of 2011. 13 14 The Funeral Directors and Embalmers Licensing Code. The Naprapathic Practice Act. 15 The Professional Counselor and Clinical Professional 16 17 Counselor Licensing Act. The Wholesale Drug Distribution Licensing Act. 18 19 Section 2.5 of the Illinois Plumbing License Law. (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07; 96-1499, eff. 1-18-11.) 20 21 (5 ILCS 80/4.33 new)

22 Sec. 4.33. Act repealed on January 1, 2023. The following

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Act is repealed on January 1, 2023: 1 2 The Professional Counselor and Clinical Professional 3 Counselor Licensing and Practice Act. 4 Section 5. The Professional Counselor and Clinical 5 Professional Counselor Licensing Act is amended by changing 6 Sections 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 21, 25, 30, 45, 50, 60, 65, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100, 105, 110, 115, 120, 125, 130, 135, 145, 155, 7 8 160, and 165 and by adding Sections 18 and 98 as follows:

10 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)
11 Sec. 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
12 Professional Counselor and Clinical Professional Counselor
13 Licensing and Practice Act.

14 (Source: P.A. 87-1011.)

(225 ILCS 107/1)

15 (225 ILCS 107/5)

16 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

Sec. 5. Declaration of public policy. The practice of professional counseling and clinical professional counseling is hereby declared to affect the public health, safety and welfare, and to be subject to regulation in the public interest. The purpose of the Act is to protect and benefit the public by setting standards of qualifications, education, training, and experience for those who seek to <u>engage in the</u>

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independent practice of clinical professional counseling and 1 2 in the practice of professional counseling in the State of 3 Illinois and to obtain a license and hold the title of professional counselor, to promote high standards 4 of 5 professional performance for those licensed to practice professional counseling and clinical professional counseling 6 in the State of Illinois, and to protect the public from 7 unprofessional conduct by persons licensed to practice 8 9 professional counseling and the independent practice of 10 clinical professional counseling.

11 (Source: P.A. 87-1011.)

12 (225 ILCS 107/10)

13 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

14 Sec. 10. Definitions. As used in this Act:

15 <u>"Address of record" means the designated address recorded</u>
16 by the Department in the applicant's or licensee's application
17 file or license file, as maintained by the Department's
18 licensure maintenance unit. It is the duty of the applicant or
19 licensee to inform the Department of any change of address and
20 those changes must be made either through the Department's
21 website or by contacting the Department.

"Department" means the Department of <u>Financial and</u>
 Professional Regulation.

24 "Director" means the Director of Professional Regulation.
25 "Board" means the Professional Counselor Licensing and

1 Disciplinary Board as appointed by the <u>Secretary</u> Director.

2 "Person" means an individual, association, partnership, or 3 corporation.

"Professional counseling" means the provision of services 4 5 to individuals, couples, groups, families, and organizations in any one or more of the fields of professional counseling. 6 7 "Professional counseling" includes the therapeutic process of (i) conducting assessments and diagnoses for the purpose of 8 9 establishing treatment goals and objectives and (ii) planning, implementing, and evaluating treatment plans using treatment 10 11 interventions to facilitate human development and to identify 12 and remediate mental, emotional, or behavioral disorders and 13 associated distresses which interfere with mental health. Professional counseling includes, but is not limited to: 14

15 (1) social, emotional, educational, and career testing 16 and evaluation;

17 (2) a professional relationship between a counselor 18 and a client in which the counselor provides assistance in 19 coping with life issues that include relationships, 20 conflicts, problem solving, decision making, and 21 developmental concerns; and

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(3) research.

23 Professional counseling may also include clinical 24 professional counseling as long as it is not conducted in <u>an</u> 25 independent private practice as defined in this Act.

26 "Clinical professional counseling" means the provision of

professional counseling and mental health services, which 1 2 includes, but is not limited to, the application of clinical counseling theory and techniques to prevent and alleviate 3 4 mental and emotional disorders and psychopathology and to 5 promote optimal mental health, rehabilitation, treatment, 6 testing, assessment, and evaluation. "Clinical professional 7 counseling" includes the therapeutic process of (i) conducting assessments and diagnoses for the purpose of establishing 8 9 treatment goals and objectives and (ii) planning, 10 implementing, and evaluating treatment plans using treatment 11 interventions to facilitate human development and to identify 12 and remediate mental, emotional, or behavioral disorders and 13 associated distresses which interfere with mental health. It 14 also includes clinical counseling and psychotherapy in a 15 professional relationship to assist individuals, couples, 16 families, groups, and organizations to alleviate emotional 17 disorders, to understand conscious and unconscious motivation, to resolve emotional, relationship, and attitudinal conflicts, 18 and to modify behaviors that interfere with effective 19 20 emotional, social, adaptive, and intellectual functioning.

21 "Licensed professional counselor" and "professional 22 counselor" means a person who holds a license authorizing the 23 practice of professional counseling as defined in this Act, as 24 long as it is not conducted in the independent practice of 25 clinical professional counseling, as defined in this Section. 26 "Independent practice of clinical professional counseling" means providing the services of or engaging in the practice of clinical professional counseling, as defined in this Act, by an individual who regulates and is responsible for her or his own practice or treatment procedures.

5 "Licensed clinical professional counselor" and "clinical 6 professional counselor" means a person who holds a license 7 authorizing the independent practice of clinical professional 8 counseling in private practice as defined in this Act.

9 "Independent private practice of clinical professional 10 counseling" means the application of clinical professional 11 counseling knowledge and skills by а licensed clinical 12 professional counselor who (i) regulates and is responsible for 13 her or his own practice or treatment procedures and (ii) is self-employed or works in a group practice or setting not 14 qualified under Internal Revenue Service regulations as a 15 16 not-for-profit business.

17 "Clinical supervision" or "supervision" means review of 18 aspects of counseling and case management in a face to face 19 meeting with the person under supervision.

20 "Qualified supervisor" or "qualified clinical supervisor" 21 means any person who is a licensed clinical professional 22 counselor, licensed clinical social worker, licensed clinical 23 psychologist, psychiatrist as defined in Section 1-121 of the 24 Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code, or other 25 supervisor as defined by rule. A qualified supervisor may be 26 provided at the applicant's place of work, or may be hired by

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1 the applicant to provide supervision.

2 "License" means that which is required to practice 3 professional counseling or clinical professional counseling as 4 defined in this Act.

5 <u>"Volunteer" means a person performing services for a</u> 6 <u>nonprofit organization, a nonprofit corporation, a hospital, a</u> 7 <u>government entity, or a private business without compensation,</u> 8 <u>other than reimbursement for actual expenses incurred.</u> 9 <u>"Volunteer" includes serving as a director, officer, trustee,</u> 10 <u>or direct service volunteer.</u>

11"Secretary" means the Secretary of Financial and12Professional Regulation.

13 (Source: P.A. 92-719, eff. 7-25-02.)

14 (225 ILCS 107/15)

15 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

16 Sec. 15. Exemptions.

17 This Act does not prohibit any persons legally (a) regulated in this State by any other Act from engaging in the 18 19 practice for which they are authorized as long as they do not 20 represent themselves by the title of "professional counselor", 21 "licensed professional counselor", "clinical professional counselor", or "licensed clinical professional counselor". 22 This Act does not prohibit the practice of nonregulated 23 24 professions whose practitioners are engaged in the delivery of 25 human services as long as these practitioners do not represent

themselves as or use the title of "professional counselor", "licensed professional counselor", "clinical professional counselor", or "licensed clinical professional counselor".

(b) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit the 4 5 activities and services of a student, intern, or resident in professional counseling or clinical professional counseling 6 seeking to fulfill educational requirements in order to qualify 7 for a license under this Act if these activities and services 8 9 constitute a part of the student's supervised course of study, 10 or an individual seeking to fulfill the post degree experience 11 requirements in order to qualify for licensing under this Act, 12 as long as the activities and services are not conducted in an 13 independent practice, as defined in this Act, if the activities 14 and services are supervised as specified in this Act, and that 15 the student, intern, or resident is designated by a title 16 "intern" or "resident" or other designation of trainee status. 17 Nothing in the Act requires individuals to obtain the professional counselor license prior to obtaining the clinical 18 19 professional counselor license. Nothing contained in this 20 Section shall be construed to permit students, interns, or residents to offer their services as professional counselors or 21 22 clinical professional counselors to any other person and to 23 accept remuneration for such professional counseling or clinical professional counseling services other than 24 as 25 specifically excepted in this Section, unless they have been licensed under this Act. 26

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Corporations, partnerships, and associations 1 (C) mav 2 employ practicum students , interns, or post-degree candidates fulfill educational requirements 3 seeking to or the professional experience requirements needed to qualify for a 4 5 license under this Act if their activities and services constitute a part of the student's supervised course of study 6 7 or post-degree professional experience requirements. Nothing 8 in this paragraph shall prohibit a corporation, partnership, or 9 association from contracting with a licensed health care 10 professional to provide services that they are licensed to 11 provide.

12 (d) Nothing in this Act shall prevent the employment, by a 13 professional counselor or clinical professional counselor, 14 person, association, partnership, or a corporation furnishing professional counseling or clinical professional counseling 15 16 services for remuneration, of persons not licensed as 17 professional counselors or clinical professional counselors under this Act to perform services in various capacities as 18 19 needed if these persons are not in any manner held out to the 20 public or do not hold themselves out to the public by any title or designation stating or implying that they are professional 21 22 counselors or clinical professional counselors or performing 23 professional counseling services or clinical professional 24 counseling services.

(e) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit theservices of a person, not licensed under the provisions of this

Act, in the employ of a federal, State, county, or municipal 1 2 agency or other political subdivision or not-for-profit corporation providing human services if (1) the services are a 3 part of the duties in his or her salaried position, (2) the 4 5 services are performed solely on behalf of his or her employer, 6 and (3) that person does not in any manner represent himself or 7 herself as or use the title of "professional counselor", "licensed professional counselor", "clinical professional 8 counselor", or "licensed clinical professional counselor". 9

10 (f) Duly recognized members of any religious organization 11 shall not be restricted from functioning in their ministerial 12 capacity provided they do not represent themselves as being 13 professional counselors or clinical professional counselors, providing "professional counseling" or "clinical 14 or as professional counseling". This Act shall not apply or be 15 16 construed so as to apply to the employees or volunteers agents 17 of a church or religious organization or an organization owned, controlled, or affiliated with church 18 а or religious 19 organization, unless the church, religious organization, or 20 owned, controlled, or affiliated organization designates or holds these employees or volunteers agents out to the public as 21 22 professional counselors or clinical professional counselors or 23 holds out their services as being "professional counseling" or "clinical professional counseling". 24

(g) Nothing in this Act shall prohibit individuals not
 licensed under the provisions of this Act who <u>are employees or</u>

volunteers of work in self-help groups or programs 1 or 2 not-for-profit organizations from providing services in those 3 groups, programs, or organizations, as long as those persons are not in any manner held out to the public as practicing 4 5 professional counseling or clinical professional counseling, 6 or do not hold themselves out to the public by any title or 7 designation stating or implying that they are professional counselors or clinical professional counselors. 8

9 (h) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit the 10 activities and use of the official title of "professional 11 counselor" or "clinical professional counselor" on the part of 12 a person not licensed under this Act who is an academic employee of a duly chartered institution of higher education 13 and who holds educational and professional qualifications 14 15 equivalent to those required for licensing under this Act, 16 insofar as such activities are performed in the person's role 17 as an academic employee, or insofar as such person engages in public speaking with or without remuneration. 18

(i) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to require 19 20 licensure under this Act or limit the services of a school counselor certified by the State Teacher Certification Board 21 22 and employed as authorized by Section 10-22-24a or any other 23 provision of the School Code as long as that person is not in any manner held out to the public as a "professional counselor" 24 25 or "clinical professional counselor" or does not hold out his 26 or her services as being "professional counseling" or "clinical

professional counseling".

(j) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to require any hospital, clinic, home health agency, hospice, or other entity that provides health care to employ or to contract with a person licensed under this Act to provide professional counseling or clinical professional counseling services. These persons may not hold themselves out or represent themselves to the public as being licensed under this Act.

9 (k) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to require 10 licensure under this Act or limit the services of a person who 11 is an employee, as defined by federal Internal Revenue Service 12 regulations, of employed by a private elementary or secondary 13 school who provides counseling within the scope of his or her 14 employment as long as that person is not in any manner held out to the public as a "professional counselor" or "clinical 15 16 professional counselor" or does not hold out his or her 17 services as being "professional counseling" or "clinical professional counseling". 18

(1) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to require 19 20 licensure under this Act or limit the services of a rape crisis counselor who is an employee or volunteer of a rape crisis 21 22 organization as defined in Section 8-802.1 of the Code of Civil 23 Procedure as long as that person is not in any manner held out to the public as a "professional counselor" or "clinical 24 25 professional counselor" or does not hold out his or her services as being "professional counseling" or "clinical 26

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1 professional counseling".

2 (m) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prevent any licensed social worker, licensed clinical social worker, or 3 licensed clinical psychologist from practicing professional 4 5 counseling as long as that person is not in any manner held out to the public as a "professional counselor" or "clinical 6 7 professional counselor" or does not hold out his or her services as being "professional counseling" or "clinical 8 9 professional counseling".

(n) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit the activities and use of the official title of "professional counselor" or "clinical professional counselor" on the part of a person not licensed under this Act who is a physician licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches under the Medical Practice Act of 1987.

(o) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to require
licensure under this Act or limit the services of a domestic
violence counselor who is an employee or volunteer of a
domestic violence program as defined in Section 227 of the
Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986.

21 (Source: P.A. 92-719, eff. 7-25-02.)

22 (225 ILCS 107/18 new)

23 <u>Sec. 18. Licensed professional counselors practice</u>
 24 <u>requirements.</u>
 25 (a) Licensed professional counselors may not engage in the

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<u>independent practice of clinical professional counseling</u>
 without a clinical professional counselor license.

3 (b) When providing clinical professional counseling 4 services as set forth in this Act in the independent practice 5 of clinical professional counseling, a licensed clinical 6 professional counselor shall always operate and represent 7 himself or herself as an employee of the independent practice 8 and may not work as an independent contractor as defined by 9 federal Internal Revenue Service regulations.

10 <u>(c) Licensed professional counselors and licensed clinical</u> 11 professional counselors may provide other services outside of 12 the scope of professional counseling or clinical professional 13 counseling as defined in this Act. Individuals providing 14 services within the scope of this Act must be appropriately 15 licensed.

16 (225 ILCS 107/20)

17 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

18 Sec. 20. Restrictions and limitations.

No person shall, without a valid license as 19 (a) а 20 professional counselor issued by the Department: (i) in any 21 manner hold himself or herself out to the public as a 22 professional counselor under this Act; (ii) attach the title "professional counselor" or "licensed professional counselor"; 23 24 (iii) offer to render or render to individuals, or corporations, or the public professional counseling services. 25

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(b) No person shall, without a valid license as a clinical 1 2 professional counselor issued by the Department: (i) in any manner hold himself or herself out to the public as a clinical 3 professional counselor or licensed clinical professional 4 5 counselor under this Act; (ii) attach the title "clinical professional counselor" or "licensed clinical professional 6 7 counselor"; or (iii) offer to render to individuals, 8 corporations, or the public clinical professional counseling 9 services.

10 (c) Licensed professional counselors may not engage in 11 independent private practice as defined in this Act without a 12 clinical professional counseling license. In an independent private practice, a licensed professional counselor must 13 14 practice at all times under the order, control, and full professional responsibility as an employee, as defined by 15 16 federal Internal Revenue Service, or a volunteer of a licensed 17 clinical professional counselor, a licensed clinical social worker, a licensed clinical psychologist, or a psychiatrist, as 18 defined in Section 1 121 of the Mental Health and Developmental 19 Disabilities Code. 20

association, limited liability company, 21 (d) No or 22 partnership shall practice clinical professional counseling or 23 professional counseling unless every member, partner, and employee of the association or partnership who practices 24 25 professional counseling or clinical professional counseling, 26 who renders professional counseling or clinical or

professional counseling services, holds a currently valid 1 2 license issued under this Act. No license shall be issued to a corporation, the stated purpose of which includes or which 3 practices or which holds itself out as available to practice 4 5 professional counseling or clinical professional counseling 6 it is organized under the Professional unless Service 7 Corporation Act.

8 (e) Nothing in this Act shall be construed as permitting 9 persons licensed as professional counselors or clinical 10 professional counselors to engage in any manner in the practice 11 of medicine in all its branches as defined by law in this 12 State.

13 the course of providing professional (f) When, in counseling or clinical professional counseling services to any 14 person, a professional counselor or clinical professional 15 16 counselor licensed under this Act finds indication of a disease 17 or condition that in his or her professional judgment requires professional service outside the scope of practice as defined 18 in this Act, he or she shall refer that person to a physician 19 20 licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches or another appropriate health care practitioner. 21

22 (Source: P.A. 94-765, eff. 1-1-07.)

23 (225 ILCS 107/21)

24 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)
25 Sec. 21. Unlicensed practice; violation; civil penalty.

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(a) Any person who practices, offers to practice, attempts 1 2 to practice, or holds himself or herself out to practice as a 3 clinical professional counselor or professional counselor without being licensed or exempt under this Act shall, in 4 addition to any other penalty provided by law, pay a civil 5 penalty to the Department in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 6 7 \$5,000 for each offense, as determined by the Department. The 8 civil penalty shall be assessed by the Department after a 9 hearing is held in accordance with the provisions set forth in 10 this Act regarding the provision of a hearing for the 11 discipline of a licensee.

12 (b) The Department may investigate any actual, alleged, or13 suspected unlicensed activity.

14 (c) The civil penalty shall be paid within 60 days after 15 the effective date of the order imposing the civil penalty. The 16 order shall constitute a final judgment and may be filed and 17 execution had thereon in the same manner as any judgment from 18 any court of record.

19 (Source: P.A. 92-719, eff. 7-25-02.)

20 (225 ILCS 107/25)

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(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013) Sec. 25. Powers and duties of the Department. Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Department may <u>exercise the</u> <u>following functions, powers, and duties</u>:

(a) Authorize examinations to ascertain the qualifications

and fitness of applicants for licensing as professional
 counselors or clinical professional counselors and pass upon
 the qualifications of applicants for licensure by endorsement.

(b) Conduct hearings on proceedings to refuse to issue or
renew or to revoke licenses or suspend, place on probation,
censure, or reprimand <u>or take any other disciplinary or</u>
<u>non-disciplinary action with regard to a person</u>
licensed under this Act, and to refuse to issue or renew or to
<u>revoke licenses</u>, or suspend, place on probation, censure, or
reprimand persons licensed under this Act.

11 (c) Formulate rules and regulations required for the 12 administration of this Act.

(d) Maintain rosters of the names and addresses of all licensees, and all persons whose licenses have been suspended, revoked, or denied renewal for cause within the previous calendar year. These rosters shall be available upon written request and payment of the required fee.

(e) Establish rules for determining approved undergraduate
human services programs and graduate professional counseling,
clinical professional counseling, psychology, rehabilitation
counseling and similar programs and prepare and maintain a list
of colleges and universities offering such programs whose
graduates, if they otherwise meet the requirements of this Act,
are eligible to apply for a license.

25 (Source: P.A. 87-1011.)

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1 (225 ILCS 107/30) (from Ch. 111, par. 8451-30)

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(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

3 Sec. 30. Professional Counselor Examining and Disciplinary4 Board.

5 (a) The Secretary Director shall appoint a Board which 6 shall serve in an advisory capacity to the <u>Secretary Director.</u> The Board shall consist of 7 persons, 2 of whom are licensed 7 solely as professional counselors, 3 of whom are licensed 8 9 solely as clinical professional counselors, one full-time 10 faculty member of an accredited college or university that is 11 engaged in training professional counselors or clinical 12 professional counselors who possesses the qualifications 13 substantially equivalent to the education and experience 14 requirements for a professional counselor or clinical 15 professional counselor, and one member of the public who is not 16 a licensed health care provider. In appointing members of the 17 Board, the Secretary Director shall give due consideration to representation of the 18 the adequate various fields of 19 counseling. In appointing members of the Board, the Secretary Director shall give due consideration to recommendations by 20 members of the professions of professional counseling and 21 22 clinical professional counseling, the Statewide organizations 23 representing the interests of professional counselors and clinical professional counselors, organizations representing 24 25 the interests of academic programs, rehabilitation counseling 26 programs, and approved counseling programs in the State of - 20 - LRB097 18433 CEL 63660 b

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2 (b) Members shall be appointed for and shall serve 4 year terms and until their successors are appointed and qualified. 3 No member of the Board shall serve more than 2 full consecutive 4 5 terms., except that of the initial appointments 2 members shall be appointed to serve for 2 years, 2 shall be appointed to 6 7 serve for 3 years, and the remaining shall be appointed to 8 serve for 4 years and until their successors are appointed and 9 qualified. No member shall be reappointed to the Board for a 10 term that would cause continuous service on the Board to be 11 longer than 8 years. Any appointment to fill a vacancy shall be 12 for the unexpired portion of the term.

13 (c) The membership of the Board should reasonably reflect14 representation from different geographic areas of Illinois.

15 (d) <u>(Blank).</u> Any member appointed to fill a vacancy shall
16 be eligible for reappointment to only one full term.

17 (e) The <u>Secretary shall have the authority to</u> Director may 18 remove <u>or suspend</u> any member for cause at any time prior to the 19 expiration of his or her term. <u>The Secretary shall be the sole</u> 20 arbiter of cause.

21 (f) The Board shall annually elect one of its members as 22 chairperson.

(g) The members of the Board shall be reimbursed for all legitimate, necessary, and authorized expenses incurred in attending the meetings of the Board.

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(h) The Board may make recommendations on matters relating

to approving graduate counseling, rehabilitation counseling,
 psychology, and related programs.

3 (i) The Board may make recommendations on matters relating to continuing education including the number of hours necessary 4 5 for license renewal, waivers for those unable to meet such 6 requirements, and acceptable course content. These 7 recommendations shall not impose an undue burden on the 8 Department or an unreasonable restriction on those seeking 9 license renewal.

10 (j) The <u>Secretary</u> Director shall give due consideration to 11 all recommendations of the Board.

12 (k) <u>Four members</u> A majority of the Board members currently 13 appointed shall constitute a quorum. <u>A quorum is required for</u> 14 <u>all Board decisions</u>. A vacancy in the membership of the Board 15 shall not impair the right of a quorum to perform all of the 16 duties of the Board.

(1) Members of the Board shall have no criminal, civil, or professional liability in an action based upon a disciplinary proceeding or other activity performed in good faith as a member of the Board, except for willful or wanton misconduct.

21 (Source: P.A. 92-719, eff. 7-25-02.)

22 (225 ILCS 107/45)

23 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

24 Sec. 45. Qualifications for a license.

25 (a) Professional counselor. A person is qualified to be

1 licensed as a licensed professional counselor, and the 2 Department shall issue a license authorizing the practice of 3 professional counseling to an applicant who:

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(1) has applied in writing on the prescribed form and has paid the required fee;

6 (2) is at least 21 years of age and has not engaged in 7 conduct or activities which would constitute grounds for 8 discipline under this Act;

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(3) is a graduate of:

10 (A) a master's or doctoral level program in the 11 field of counseling, rehabilitation counseling, 12 psychology, or similar degree program approved by the 13 Department; or

(B) in the case of an applicant who applied applies 14 for licensure before the effective date of this 15 16 amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly, an 17 approved baccalaureate program in human services or similar degree program approved by the Department and 18 19 can document the equivalent of 5 years of full-time 20 satisfactory supervised experience, as established by 21 rule, under a qualified supervisor;

(4) has passed an examination for the practice of
 professional counseling as authorized by the Department;
 and

(5) has paid the fees required by this Act.
Any person who has received certification <u>or licensure</u> by

any State or national organization whose standards are accepted by the Department as being substantially similar to the standards in this Act may apply for a professional counselor license and need not be examined further.

5 (b) Clinical professional counselor. A person is qualified 6 to be licensed as a clinical professional counselor, and the 7 Department shall issue a license authorizing the practice of 8 clinical professional counseling to an applicant who:

9 (1) has applied in writing on the prescribed form and 10 has paid the required fee;

(2) is at least 21 years of age and has not engaged in conduct or activities which would constitute grounds for discipline under this Act;

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(3) is a graduate of:

(A) a master's level program in the field of
counseling, rehabilitation counseling, psychology, or
similar degree program approved by the Department and
has completed the equivalent of 2 years full-time
satisfactory supervised employment or experience
working as a clinical counselor under the direction of
a qualified supervisor subsequent to the degree; or

(B) a doctoral program in the field of counseling,
rehabilitation counseling, psychology, or similar
program approved by the Department and has completed
the equivalent of 2 years full-time satisfactory
supervised employment or experience working as a

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clinical counselor under the direction of a qualified
 supervisor, at least one year of which is subsequent to
 the degree;

4 (4) has passed the examination for the practice of
5 clinical professional counseling as authorized by the
6 Department; and

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(5) has paid the fees required by this Act.

8 Any person who has received certification <u>or licensure</u> by 9 any State or national organization whose standards are accepted 10 by the Department as being substantially similar to the 11 standards in this Act may apply for a clinical professional 12 counselor license, and need not be examined further.

13 (c) Examination for applicants under this Act shall be held 14 at the discretion of the Department from time to time but not 15 less than once each year. The examination used shall be 16 authorized by the Department.

(d) Upon application and payment of the required fee, an applicant who has an active license as a clinical psychologist or a clinical social worker licensed under the laws of this State may, without examination, be granted registration as a licensed clinical professional counselor by the Department.

22 (Source: P.A. 96-1139, eff. 7-21-10.)

23 (225 ILCS 107/50)

24 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)
25 Sec. 50. Licenses; renewal; restoration; person in

1 military service; inactive status.

2 (a) The expiration date and renewal period for each license 3 issued under this Act shall be set by rule. As a condition for renewal of a license, the licensee shall be required to 4 5 complete continuing education in accordance with rules established by the Department. The licensee may renew a license 6 during the 30 day period preceding its expiration date 7 bv 8 paying the required fee and demonstrating compliance with any 9 continuing education requirements.

10 (b) Any person who has permitted a license to expire or who 11 has a license on inactive status may have it restored by 12 submitting an application to the Department and filing proof of fitness acceptable to the Department, as defined by rule, to 13 have the license restored, including, if appropriate, evidence 14 15 which is satisfactory to the Department certifying the active practice of professional counseling or clinical professional 16 17 counseling in another jurisdiction and by paying the required fee. 18

(c) If the person has not maintained an active practice in 19 20 another jurisdiction which is satisfactory to the Department, the Department shall determine, by an evaluation program 21 22 established by rule, the person's fitness to resume active 23 status and shall establish procedures and requirements for restoration. The Department may also require the person to 24 25 complete a specific period of evaluated professional 26 counseling or clinical professional counseling work experience

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and may require successful completion of an examination.

2 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act (d) 3 However, any person whose license expired while he or she was (i) in federal service on active duty with the armed forces of 4 5 the United States or , while called into service or training with the State Militia or (ii) in training or education under 6 7 the supervision of the United States government prior to 8 induction into the military service may have his or her license 9 restored without paying any <u>lapsed</u> renewal fees if, within 2 10 years after the honorable termination of such service, 11 training, or education, except under conditions other than 12 honorable, the Department is furnished with satisfactory evidence that the person has been so engaged and that such 13 14 service, training, or education has been so terminated.

(e) A license to practice shall not be denied any applicant
because of the applicant's race, religion, creed, national
origin, political beliefs or activities, age, sex, sexual
orientation, or physical impairment.

19 (f) Any person requesting restoration from inactive status 20 shall (i) be required to pay the current renewal fee, (ii) meet 21 continuing education requirements, and (iii) be required to 22 restore his or her license as provided in this Act.

23 (Source: P.A. 87-1011; 87-1269.)

24 (225 ILCS 107/60)

25 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

Sec. 60. Fees. <u>The Department shall provide by rule for a</u> <u>schedule of fees for the administration and enforcement of this</u> <u>Act, including, but not limited to, original licensure,</u> <u>renewal, and restoration. The fees shall be nonrefundable The</u> <u>fees imposed under this Act shall be set by rule and are not</u> refundable.

All of the fees, fines, and penalties collected under this Act shall be deposited into the General Professions Dedicated Fund and shall be appropriated to the Department for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department in the administration of this Act.

12 (Source: P.A. 92-719, eff. 7-25-02.)

13 (225 ILCS 107/65)

14 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

15 Sec. 65. Payments; penalty for insufficient funds Checks or 16 orders dishonored. Any person who issues or delivers a check or other order to the Department that is returned to the 17 Department unpaid by the financial institution upon which it is 18 19 drawn shall pay to the Department, in addition to the amount already owed to the Department, a fine of \$50. The fines 20 21 imposed by this Section are in addition to any other discipline 22 provided under this Act prohibiting unlicensed practice or practice on a nonrenewed license. The Department shall notify 23 24 the person that payment of fees and fines shall be paid to the 25 Department by certified check or money order within 30 calendar

days after notification. If, after the expiration of 30 days 1 2 from the date of the notification, the person has failed to 3 submit the necessary remittance, the Department shall automatically terminate the license or certification or deny 4 5 the application, without hearing. If, after termination or 6 denial, the person seeks a license or certificate, he or she 7 shall apply to the Department for restoration or issuance of 8 the license or certificate and pay all fees and fines due to 9 the Department. The Department may establish a fee for the 10 processing of an application for restoration of a license to 11 pay all costs and expenses of processing of this application. 12 The Secretary Director may waive the fines due under this Section in individual cases where the Secretary Director finds 13 14 that the fines would be unnecessarily burdensome.

15 (Source: P.A. 92-146, eff. 1-1-02.)

16 (225 ILCS 107/75)

17 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

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Sec. 75. Privileged communications and exceptions.

19 (a) No licensed professional counselor or licensed 20 clinical professional counselor shall disclose any information 21 acquired from persons consulting the counselor in a 22 professional capacity, except that which may be voluntarily 23 disclosed under the following circumstances:

(1) In the course of formally reporting, conferring, or
 consulting with administrative superiors, colleagues, or

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consultants who share professional responsibility, in which instance all recipients of the information are similarly bound to regard the communication as privileged;

4 (2) With the written consent of the person who provided
5 the information;

6 (3) In the case of death or disability, with the 7 written consent of a personal representative, other person 8 authorized to sue, or the beneficiary of an insurance 9 policy on the person's life, health or physical condition;

10 (4) When а communication reveals the intended commission of a crime or harmful act and such disclosure is 11 12 judged necessary by the licensed professional counselor or licensed clinical professional counselor to protect any 13 person from a clear, imminent risk of serious mental or 14 physical harm or injury, or to forestall a serious threat 15 16 to the public safety; or

17 (5) When the person waives the privilege by bringing18 any public charges against the licensee.

19 (b) When the person is a minor under the laws of the State 20 of Illinois and the information acquired by the licensed professional counselor or licensed clinical 21 professional 22 counselor indicates the minor was the victim or subject of a 23 licensed professional counselor or crime, the licensed 24 clinical professional counselor may be required to testify in 25 any judicial proceedings in which the commission of that crime 26 is the subject of inquiry when, after in camera review of the 1 information that the licensed professional counselor or 2 licensed clinical professional counselor acquired, the court 3 determines that the interests of the minor in having the 4 information held privileged are outweighed by the requirements 5 of justice, the need to protect the public safety or the need 6 to protect the minor, except as provided under the Abused and 7 Neglected Child Reporting Act.

8 (c) Any person having access to records or anyone who 9 participates in providing professional counseling or clinical 10 professional counseling services, or, in providing any human 11 services, is supervised by a licensed professional counselor or 12 licensed clinical professional counselor, is similarly bound 13 to regard all information and communications as privileged in 14 accord with this Section.

(d) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prohibit a 15 16 licensed professional counselor or licensed clinical 17 professional counselor from voluntarily testifying in court hearings concerning matters of adoption, child abuse, child 18 neglect or other matters pertaining to children, except as 19 20 provided under the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act and matters pertaining to elders as set forth in the Elder Abuse 21 22 and Neglect Act.

(e) The Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities
 Confidentiality Act is incorporated herein as if all of its
 provisions were included in this Act. In the event of a
 conflict between the application of this Section and the Mental

Health and Developmental Disabilities Confidentiality Act to a
 specific situation, the provisions of the Mental Health and
 Developmental Disabilities Confidentiality Act shall control.

4 (f) Licensed professional counselors and licensed clinical
 5 professional counselors when performing clinical professional
 6 counseling services or professional counseling services shall
 7 comply with all counselor licensure rules and laws regardless
 8 of the employment or work setting.

9 (Source: P.A. 87-1011.)

10 (225 ILCS 107/80)

11 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

Sec. 80. Grounds for discipline; refusal, revocation, or suspension of licensure.

(a) The Department may refuse to issue, renew, or may
revoke, suspend, place on probation, reprimand, or take other
disciplinary <u>or non-disciplinary</u> action as the Department
deems appropriate, including the issuance of fines not to
exceed <u>\$10,000</u> \$1000 for each violation, with regard to any
license for any one or more of the following:

20 (1) Material misstatement in furnishing information to21 the Department or to any other State agency.

(2) Violations or negligent or intentional disregard
of this Act_r or any of its rules adopted under this Act.

24 (3) <u>Conviction by plea of guilty or nolo contendere,</u>
 25 <u>finding of guilt, jury verdict, or entry of judgment or by</u>

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1	sentencing of any crime, including, but not limited to,
2	convictions, preceding sentences of supervision,
3	conditional discharge, or first offender probation, under
4	the laws of any jurisdiction of the United States: (i) that
5	is a felony or (ii) that is a misdemeanor, an essential
6	element of which is dishonesty, or that is directly related
7	to the practice of the profession. Conviction of any crime
8	under the laws of the United States or any state or
9	territory thereof that is a felony, or that is a
10	misdemeanor, an essential element of which is dishonesty,
11	or of any crime which is directly related to the practice
12	of the profession.
13	(4) <u>Fraud or</u> Making any misrepresentation <u>in applying</u>
14	for renewal of a license under this Act for the purpose of

14 <u>for renewal of a license under this Act</u> for the purpose of 15 obtaining a license, or violating any provision of this Act 16 or its rules.

17 (5) Professional incompetence or gross negligence in
 18 the rendering of professional counseling or clinical
 19 professional counseling services.

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(6) Malpractice.

(7) Aiding or assisting another person in violating any
 provision of this Act or any rules.

(8) Failing to provide information within 60 days in
response to a written request made by the Department.

25 (9) Engaging in dishonorable, unethical, or26 unprofessional conduct of a character likely to deceive,

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defraud, or harm the public and violating the rules of professional conduct adopted by the Department.

(10) Habitual or excessive use or <u>abuse of drugs as</u>
<u>defined in law as controlled substances</u>, <u>alcohol</u>, <u>or any</u>
<u>other substance</u> addiction to alcohol</u>, <u>narcotics</u>,
<u>stimulants</u>, <u>or any other chemical agent or drug</u> which
results in inability to practice with reasonable skill,
judgment, or safety.

9 (11) Discipline by another jurisdiction, <u>the District</u> 10 <u>of Columbia, territory, county, or governmental agency,</u> if 11 at least one of the grounds for the discipline is the same 12 or substantially equivalent to those set forth in this 13 Section.

14 (12) Directly or indirectly giving to or receiving from 15 any person, firm, corporation, partnership, or association 16 any fee, commission, rebate or other form of compensation 17 any professional service not actually rendered. for Nothing in this paragraph (12) affects any bona fide 18 19 independent contractor or employment arrangements among 20 health care professionals, health facilities, health care 21 providers, or other entities, except as otherwise 22 prohibited by law. Any employment arrangements may include 23 provisions for compensation, health insurance, pension, or 24 other employment benefits for the provision of services 25 within the scope of the licensee's practice under this Act. 26 Nothing in this paragraph (12) shall be construed to require an employment arrangement to receive professional
 fees for services rendered.

3 (13) A finding by the Board that the licensee, after
4 having the license placed on probationary status, has
5 violated the terms of probation.

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(14) Abandonment of a client.

7 (15) Willfully filing false reports relating to a
8 licensee's practice, including but not limited to false
9 records filed with federal or State agencies or
10 departments.

(16) Willfully failing to report an instance of suspected child abuse or neglect as required by the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act <u>and in matters pertaining</u> to elders or suspected elder abuse as set forth in the Elder Abuse and Neglect Act.

16 (17) Being named as a perpetrator in an indicated 17 report by the Department of Children and Family Services pursuant to the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act, 18 19 and upon proof by clear and convincing evidence that the 20 licensee has caused a child to be or failed to take reasonable steps to prevent a child from being an abused 21 22 child or neglected child as defined in the Abused and 23 Neglected Child Reporting Act.

(18) Physical or mental <u>illness or</u> disability,
 including, <u>but not limited to</u>, deterioration through the
 aging process or loss of <u>motor</u> abilities and skills <u>that</u>

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which results in the inability to practice the profession with reasonable judgment, skill, or safety.

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(19) Solicitation of professional services by using false or misleading advertising.

5 (20) Allowing one's license under this Act to be used by an unlicensed person in violation of this Act. Failure 6 7 to file a return, or to pay the tax, penalty or interest 8 shown in a filed return, or to pay any final assessment -of 9 tax, penalty or interest, as required by any tax Act 10 administered by the Illinois Department of Revenue or any 11 successor agency or the Internal Revenue Service or any 12 successor agency.

13 (21) A finding that licensure has been applied for or14 obtained by fraudulent means.

(22) Practicing <u>under a false or, except as provided by</u>
 <u>law, an assumed name</u> or attempting to practice under a name
 other than the full name as shown on the license or any
 other legally authorized name.

19 (23) Gross <u>and willful</u> overcharging for professional
 20 services including filing statements for collection of
 21 fees or monies for which services are not rendered.

(24) Rendering professional counseling or clinical
 professional counseling services without a license or
 practicing outside the scope of a license.

(25) Clinical supervisors failing to adequately and
 responsibly monitor supervisees.

All fines imposed under this Section shall be paid within All fines imposed under this Section shall be paid within days after the effective date of the order imposing the fine.

4 The Department shall deny, without hearing, (b) anv 5 application or renewal for a license under this Act to any 6 person who has defaulted on an educational loan guaranteed by 7 the Illinois State Assistance Commission or any governmental 8 agency of this State in accordance with item (5) of subsection 9 (g) of Section 2105-15 of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois Department of Professional Regulation Law; however, 10 11 the Department may issue a license or renewal if the person in 12 default has established a satisfactory repayment record as 13 determined by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission.

14 (b-5) The Department may refuse to issue or may suspend without hearing, as provided for in the Code of Civil 15 16 Procedure, the license of any person who fails to file a 17 return, pay the tax, penalty, or interest shown in a filed return, or pay any final assessment of the tax, penalty, or 18 19 interest as required by any tax Act administered by the 20 Illinois Department of Revenue, until such time as the requirements of any such tax Act are satisfied in accordance 21 22 with subsection (q) of Section 2105-15 of the Civil 23 Administrative Code of Illinois Department of Professional 24 Regulation Law.

25 (b-10) In cases where the Department of Healthcare and
 26 Family Services has previously determined a licensee or a

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potential licensee is more than 30 days delinquent in the 1 2 payment of child support and has subsequently certified the delinquency to the Department, the Department may refuse to 3 issue or renew or may revoke or suspend that person's license 4 5 or may take other disciplinary action against that person based solely upon the certification of delinquency made by the 6 7 Department of Healthcare and Family Services in accordance with item (5) of subsection (q) of Section 2105-15 of the Civil 8 9 Administrative Code of Illinois Department of Professional 10 Regulation Law.

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(c) The determination by a court that a licensee is subject 11 12 to involuntary admission or judicial admission as provided in the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code will 13 result in an automatic suspension of his or her license. The 14 15 suspension will end upon a finding by a court that the licensee 16 is no longer subject to involuntary admission or judicial 17 admission, the issuance of an order so finding and discharging the patient, and the recommendation of the Board to the 18 Secretary Director that the licensee be allowed to resume 19 20 professional practice.

(d) <u>In enforcing this Act, the Department, upon a showing</u> of a possible violation, may compel an individual licensed to practice under this Act, or who has applied for licensure under this Act, to submit to a mental or physical examination, or both, as required by and at the expense of the Department. The Department may order the examining physician to present

1	testimony concerning the mental or physical examination of the
2	licensee or applicant. No information shall be excluded by
3	reason of any common law or statutory privilege relating to
4	communications between the licensee or applicant and the
5	examining physician. The examining physicians shall be
6	specifically designated by the Department. The individual to be
7	examined may have, at his or her own expense, another physician
8	of his or her choice present during all aspects of this
9	examination. The examination shall be performed by a physician
10	licensed to practice medicine in all its branches. Failure of
11	an individual to submit to a mental or physical examination,
12	when directed, shall result in an automatic suspension without
13	hearing.
14	A person holding a license under this Act or who has
15	applied for a license under this Act who, because of a physical
16	or mental illness or disability, including, but not limited to,
17	deterioration through the aging process or loss of motor skill,
18	is unable to practice the profession with reasonable judgment,
19	skill, or safety, may be required by the Department to submit
20	to care, counseling, or treatment by physicians approved or
21	designated by the Department as a condition, term, or
22	restriction for continued, reinstated, or renewed licensure to
23	practice. Submission to care, counseling, or treatment as

24 required by the Department shall not be considered discipline
25 of a license. If the licensee refuses to enter into a care,
26 counseling, or treatment agreement or fails to abide by the

1 terms of the agreement, the Department may file a complaint to
2 revoke, suspend, or otherwise discipline the license of the
3 individual. The Secretary may order the license suspended
4 immediately, pending a hearing by the Department. Fines shall
5 not be assessed in disciplinary actions involving physical or
6 mental illness or impairment.

7 In instances in which the Secretary immediately suspends a person's license under this Section, a hearing on that person's 8 9 license must be convened by the Department within 15 days after the suspension and completed without appreciable delay. The 10 11 Department shall have the authority to review the subject 12 individual's record of treatment and counseling regarding the impairment to the extent permitted by applicable federal 13 statutes and regulations safeguarding the confidentiality of 14 medical records. An individual licensed under this Act and 15 16 affected under this Section shall be afforded an opportunity to 17 demonstrate to the Department that he or she can resume practice in compliance with acceptable and prevailing 18 standards under the provisions of his or her license. In 19 20 enforcing this Section, the Board, upon a showing of a possible violation, may compel a licensee or applicant to submit to a 21 22 mental or physical examination, or both, as required by and at 23 expense of the Department. The examining physicians the clinical psychologists shall be those specifically designated 24 25 by the Board. The Board or the Department may order (i) 26 examining physician to present testimony concerning the mental

or physical examination of a licensee or applicant or (ii) the 1 2 examining clinical psychologist to present testimony concerning the mental examination of a licensee or applicant. 3 No information shall be excluded by reason of any common law or 4 5 statutory privilege relating to communications between a licensee or applicant and the examining physician or clinical 6 7 psychologist. An individual to be examined may have, at his or her own expense, another physician or clinical psychologist of 8 9 his or her choice present during all aspects of the examination. Failure of an individual to submit to a mental or 10 11 physical examination, when directed, is grounds for suspension 12 of his or her license. The license must remain suspended until the person submits to the examination or the Board finds, after 13 notice and hearing, that the refusal to submit to the 14 examination was with reasonable cause. 15

16 If the Board finds an individual unable to practice because 17 of the reasons set forth in this Section, the Board must require the individual to submit to care, counseling, or 18 treatment by a physician or clinical psychologist approved by 19 20 the Board, as a condition, term, or restriction for continued, 21 reinstated, or renewed licensure to practice. In licu of care, 22 counseling, or treatment, the Board may recommend that the Department file a complaint to immediately suspend or revoke 23 the license of the individual or otherwise discipline the 24 25 licensee.

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Any individual whose license was granted, continued,

1 reinstated, or renewed subject to conditions, terms 2 restrictions, as provided for in this Section, or anv individual who was disciplined or placed on supervision 3 pursuant to this Section must be referred to the Director 4 5 determination as to whether the person shall have his 6 license suspended immediately, pending a hearing by the Board. 7 (Source: P.A. 96-1482, eff. 11-29-10.)

8 (225 ILCS 107/85)

9 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

Sec. 85. Violations; injunction; cease and desist order.

11 (a) If any person violates the provisions of this Act, the 12 Secretary Director may, in the name of the People of the State 13 of Illinois, through the Attorney General of the State of Illinois or the State's Attorney of the county in which the 14 15 violation is alleged to have occurred, petition for an order 16 enjoining the violation or for an order enforcing compliance with this Act. Upon the filing of a verified petition, the 17 court with appropriate jurisdiction may issue a temporary 18 restraining order without notice or bond, and may preliminarily 19 20 and permanently enjoin the violation. If it is established that 21 the person has violated or is violating the injunction, the 22 court may punish the offender for contempt of court. Proceedings under this Section are in addition to all other 23 24 remedies and penalties provided by this Act.

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(b) If any person holds himself or herself out as being a

professional licensed 1 licensed counselor or clinical 2 professional counselor under this Act and is not licensed to do so, then any licensed professional counselor, 3 licensed clinical professional counselor, interested party, or any 4 5 person injured thereby may petition for relief as provided in subsection (a) of this Section. 6

7 (c) Whenever, in the opinion of the Department, a person 8 violates any provision of this Act, the Department may issue a 9 rule to show cause why an order to cease and desist should not 10 be entered against that person. The rule shall clearly set 11 forth the grounds relied upon by the Department and shall allow 12 at least 7 days from the date of the rule to file an answer 13 satisfactory to the Department. Failure to answer to the satisfaction of the Department shall cause an order to cease 14 15 and desist to be issued.

16 (Source: P.A. 87-1011.)

17 (225 ILCS 107/90)

18 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

19 Sec. 90. Investigations; notice and hearing. The 20 Department may investigate the actions of any applicant or any 21 person holding or claiming to hold a license. The Department 22 shall, before refusing to issue or renew a license or revoking, suspending, placing on 23 discipline a licensee 24 probation, reprimanding, or taking any other disciplinary 25 action under Section 80 of this Act, at least 30 days prior to

the date set for the hearing, (i) notify the accused, in 1 2 writing, of any charges made and the time and place for the hearing on the charges, (ii) direct him or her to file a 3 4 written answer to the charges with the Board under oath within 5 20 days after the service on him or her of the notice, and 6 (iii) inform the <u>applicant or licensee</u> accused that <u>failure</u>, if he or she fails to file an answer shall result in, default 7 8 being will be taken against the applicant or licensee. At the 9 time and place fixed in the notice, the Department shall proceed to hear the charges, and the parties or their counsel 10 11 shall be accorded ample opportunity to present any pertinent 12 statements, testimony, evidence, and arguments. The Department 13 may continue the hearing from time to time. In case the person, 14 after receiving the notice, fails to answer, his or her license may, in the discretion of the Department, be revoked, 15 16 suspended, or placed on probationary status, or the Department 17 may take whatever disciplinary action considered proper, including limiting the scope, nature, or extent of the person's 18 19 practice or the imposition of a fine, without a hearing, if the 20 act or acts charged constitute sufficient grounds for that action under the Act. The written notice and any notice in the 21 22 subsequent proceeding may be served by registered or certified 23 mail to the licensee's address of record. him or her or +hat his or her license or certificate may be suspended, revoked, 24 25 placed on probationary status, or other disciplinary action 26 taken with regard to the license or certificate, including

limiting the scope, nature, or extent of his or her practice, 1 2 as the Department may deem proper. In case the person, after receiving notice, fails to file an answer, his or her license 3 may, in the discretion of the Department, be suspended, 4 5 revoked, placed on probationary status, or the Department may take whatever disciplinary action deemed proper, including 6 7 limiting the scope, nature, or extent of the person's practice or the imposition of a fine, without a hearing, if the act 8 9 acts charged constitute sufficient grounds for such action under this Act. The written notice may be served by personal 10 11 delivery or certified mail to the address specified by the 12 accused in his or her last notification to the Department. (Source: P.A. 87-1011; 87-1269.) 13

14 (225 ILCS 107/95)

15 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

16 Sec. 95. Record of proceedings; transcript. The Department, at its expense, shall preserve a record of all 17 proceedings at the formal hearing of any case. The notice of 18 hearing, complaint, all other documents in the nature of 19 20 pleadings, written motions filed in the proceedings, the 21 transcript of testimony, the report of the Board and orders of 22 the Department shall be in the record of such proceeding. The Department shall furnish a transcript of the record to any 23 24 person interested in the hearing upon payment of the fee required under Section 2105 115 of the Department 25 -of

1	Professional Regulation Law (20 ILCS 2105/2105-115).
2	(Source: P.A. 91-239, eff. 1-1-00.)
3	(225 ILCS 107/98 new)
4	Sec. 98. Confidentiality. All information collected by the
5	Department in the course of an examination or investigation of
6	a licensee or applicant, including, but not limited to, any
7	complaint against a licensee filed with the Department and
8	information collected to investigate any such complaint, shall
9	be maintained for the confidential use of the Department and
10	shall not be disclosed. The Department may not disclose the
11	information to anyone other than law enforcement officials,
12	other regulatory agencies that have an appropriate regulatory
13	interest as determined by the Secretary, or a party presenting
14	a lawful subpoena to the Department. Information and documents
15	disclosed to a federal, State, county, or local law enforcement
16	agency shall not be disclosed by the agency for any purpose to
17	any other agency or person. A formal complaint filed against a
18	licensee by the Department or any order issued by the
19	Department against a licensee or applicant shall be a public
20	record, except as otherwise prohibited by law.

21 (225 ILCS 107/100)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)
Sec. 100. Subpoenas; depositions; oaths. The Department
<u>may has the power to subpoena and to bring before it any person</u>

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and to take <u>the oral or written</u> testimony <u>or compel the</u> production of any books, papers, records, or any other documents that the Secretary or his or her designee deems relevant or material to any investigation or hearing conducted by the Department either orally or by deposition, or both, with the same fees and mileage and in the same manner as prescribed in civil cases in the courts of this State.

8 The Secretary Director, the designated hearing officer, 9 any and every member of the Board, or a certified shorthand 10 court reporter may has the power to administer oaths to 11 witnesses at any hearing which the Department conducts is 12 authorized to conduct, and any other oaths authorized in any Act administered by the Department. Notwithstanding any other 13 14 statute or Department rules to the contrary, all requests for testimony, production of documents, or records shall be in 15 16 accordance with this Act.

17 (Source: P.A. 87-1011.)

18 (225 ILCS 107/105)

19 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

20 Sec. 105. Compelling testimony. Any <u>circuit</u> court, upon 21 application of the Department, designated hearing officer, or 22 the applicant or licensee against whom proceedings under 23 Section 80 of this Act are pending, may enter an order 24 requiring the attendance of witnesses and their testimony and 25 the production of <u>relevant</u> documents, papers, files, books, and

1 records in connection with any hearing or investigation. The 2 court may compel obedience to its order by proceedings for 3 contempt.

4 (Source: P.A. 87-1011.)

5 (225 ILCS 107/110)

6 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013) 7 Sec. 110. Findings and recommendations. At the conclusion 8 of the hearing, the Board shall present to the Secretary 9 Director a written report of its findings of fact, conclusions 10 of law, and recommendations. The report shall contain a finding 11 whether the licensee violated this Act or failed to comply with 12 the conditions required in this Act. The Board shall specify the nature of the violation or failure to comply, and shall 13 14 make its recommendations to the Secretary Director.

15 The report of findings of fact, conclusions of law, and 16 recommendation of the Board shall be the basis for the Department's order for refusing to issue, restore, or renew a 17 license or otherwise discipline a licensee refusal or for the 18 granting of the license. If the Secretary Director disagrees 19 20 with the recommendations of the Board, the Secretary Director 21 issue order in contravention of the mav an Board 22 recommendations. The Director shall provide a written report to 23 the Board on any disagreement and shall specify the reasons for the action in the final order. The finding is not admissible in 24 evidence against the person in a criminal prosecution brought 25

for the violation of this Act, but the hearing and findings are 1 2 not a bar to a criminal prosecution brought for the violation of this Act. 3 (Source: P.A. 87-1011.) 4 5 (225 ILCS 107/115) 6 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013) 7 Sec. 115. Motion for Board; rehearing. In any hearing involving the refusal to issue, renew, or discipline a 8 9 licensee, At the conclusion of the hearing, a copy of the 10 Board's report shall be served upon the applicant or licensee 11 by the Department, either personally or as provided in this Act 12 for the service of the notice of hearing. Within 20 days after 13 such service, the applicant or licensee may present to the 14 Department a motion in writing for a rehearing which shall 15 specify the particular grounds for rehearing. If no motion for 16 a rehearing is filed, then upon the expiration of the time specified for filing such a motion, or if a motion for 17 18 rehearing is denied, then upon such denial, the Secretary 19 Director may enter an order in accordance with recommendations of the Board, except as provided in Section 120 of this Act. If 20 the applicant or licensee requests and pays for a transcript of

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21 the applicant or licensee requests and pays for a transcript of 22 the record within the time for filing a motion for rehearing, 23 the 20-day period within which a motion may be filed shall 24 commence upon the delivery of the transcript to the applicant 25 or licensee. - 49 - LRB097 18433 CEL 63660 b

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1 (Source: P.A. 87-1011; 87-1269.)

2 (225 ILCS 107/120)

3 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

Sec. 120. Order for Director; rehearing. Whenever the Secretary is not satisfied that substantial Director believes justice has not been done in the revocation, suspension, or refusal to issue or renew a license or the discipline of a licensee, the Secretary he or she may order a rehearing by the same or other hearing officers.

10 (Source: P.A. 87-1011.)

11 (225 ILCS 107/125)

12 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

13 Sec. 125. Appointment of a hearing officer. The Secretary 14 Director has the authority to appoint any attorney licensed to 15 practice law in the State of Illinois to serve as the hearing officer in any action for refusal to issue or renew a license 16 17 or permit or to discipline a licensee. The hearing officer has 18 full authority to conduct the hearing. At least one member of 19 the Board shall attend each hearing. The hearing officer shall 20 report his or her findings of fact, conclusions of law, and 21 recommendations to the Board and to the Secretary Director. The Board shall have 60 calendar days from receipt of the report to 22 23 review it and to present its findings of fact, conclusions of 24 law and recommendation to the Secretary Director. If the Board

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does not present its report within the 60 day period, the <u>Secretary</u> Director may issue an order based on the report of the hearing officer. If the <u>Secretary</u> Director disagrees with the recommendation of the Board or of the hearing officer, the <u>Secretary</u> Director may issue an order in contravention of the recommendation. The Director shall promptly provide a written explanation to the Board on any such disagreement.

8 (Source: P.A. 87-1011; 87-1269.)

9 (225 ILCS 107/130)

10 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

11 Sec. 130. Order or certified copy; prima facie proof. An 12 order or certified copy thereof, over the seal of the 13 Department and purporting to be signed by the <u>Secretary</u> 14 Director, is prima facie proof that:

(a) <u>the</u> The signature is the genuine signature of the
 <u>Secretary</u> Director; <u>and</u>

17 (b) <u>the Secretary</u> The Director is duly appointed and 18 qualified<u>.</u>; and

19 (c) The Board and the members thereof are qualified to act.
20 (Source: P.A. 87-1011.)

21 (225 ILCS 107/135)

(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)
 Sec. 135. Restoration of suspended or revoked license from
 <u>discipline</u>. At any time after <u>successful completion of a term</u>

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of indefinite probation, suspension, or revocation of a 1 2 license, the Department may restore the license to the licensee, unless, after an investigation and a hearing, the 3 Secretary determines that restoration is not in the public 4 interest or that the licensee has not been sufficiently 5 rehabilitated to warrant the public trust. No person or entity 6 7 whose license, certificate, or authority has been revoked as authorized in this Act may apply for restoration of that 8 9 license, certification, or authority until such time as provided for in the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois 10 11 Department of Professional Regulation Law. the suspension or 12 revocation of any license, the Department may restore it to the censee upon the written recommendation of the Board, 13 after an investigation and hearing the Board determines that 14 15 restoration is not in the public interest.

16 (Source: P.A. 87-1011.)

17 (225 ILCS 107/145)

18 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013) 19 Sec. 145. Summary suspension of license. The Secretary Director may summarily suspend the license of a professional 20 21 counselor or a clinical professional counselor without a 22 hearing, simultaneously with the institution of proceedings for a hearing provided for in Section 90 of this Act, if the 23 24 Secretary Director finds that the evidence in the possession of 25 the Director indicates that the continuation of practice by the

professional counselor or clinical professional counselor would constitute an imminent danger to the public. In the event that the <u>Secretary</u> Director summarily suspends the license of an individual without a hearing, a hearing must be <u>commenced</u> held within 30 days after the suspension has occurred <u>and shall</u> be concluded as expeditiously as possible.

7 (Source: P.A. 87-1011.)

8 (225 ILCS 107/155)

9 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

10 Sec. 155. Certification of record; costs. The Department 11 shall not be required to certify any record to the court, to 12 file an answer in court, or to otherwise appear in any court in 13 a judicial review proceeding, unless and until the Department 14 has received from the plaintiff there is filed in the court, 15 with the complaint, a receipt from the Department acknowledging 16 payment of the costs of furnishing and certifying the record, which costs shall be determined by the Department. Exhibits 17 shall be certified without cost. Failure on the part of the 18 19 plaintiff to file the receipt in court is grounds for dismissal of the action. 20

21 (Source: P.A. 87-1011.)

22 (225 ILCS 107/160)

23 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)

24 Sec. 160. Violations.

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1	(a) Unless otherwise specified, any person found to have
2	violated any provision of this Act is guilty of a Class A
3	misdemeanor.
4	(b) Each of the following acts is a Class A misdemeanor for
5	the first offense and a Class 4 felony for a second or
6	subsequent offense:
7	(1) making any willfully false oaths or affirmations in
8	any matter or proceeding where an oath or affirmation is
9	required by this Act;
10	(2) using or attempting to use an inactive, suspended,
11	or revoked license or the license of another; impersonating
12	another licensee; or practicing clinical professional
13	counseling or professional counseling or using the title
14	clinical professional counselor or professional counselor
15	as defined by this Act, in the State while one's license is
16	inactive, suspended, or revoked;
17	(3) practicing, attempting to practice, or offering to
18	practice clinical professional counseling or professional
19	counseling as defined by this Act in the State without a
20	license as a licensed professional counselor or licensed
21	clinical professional counselor; each day of practicing or
22	attempting to practice and each instance of offering to
23	practice without a license as a licensed professional
24	counselor or licensed clinical professional counselor
25	constitutes a separate offense;
26	(4) advertising or displaying any sign or card or other

1	device that might indicate to the public that the person or
2	entity is entitled to practice as a licensed professional
3	counselor or licensed clinical professional counselor
4	unless that person holds an active license as a licensed
5	professional counselor or licensed clinical professional
6	counselor in the State; or
7	(5) obtaining or attempting to obtain a license by
8	fraud.
9	(Source: P.A. 87-1011.)
10	(225 ILCS 107/165)
11	(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2013)
12	Sec. 165. Administrative Procedure Act; application. The
13	Illinois Administrative Procedure Act is hereby expressly
14	adopted and incorporated in this Act as if all of the
15	provisions of such Act were included in this Act, except that
16	the provision of subsection (d) of Section 10-65 of the
17	Illinois Administrative Procedure Act that provides that at
18	hearings the licensee has the right to show compliance with all

lawful requirements for retention, continuation, or renewal of

the license is specifically excluded. For the purposes of this

Act, the notice required under Section 10-25 of the Illinois

Administrative Procedure Act is deemed sufficient when mailed

24 (Source: P.A. 87-1011.)

to the last known address of a party.

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Section 10. The Elder Abuse and Neglect Act is amended by
 changing Section 2 as follows:

3 (320 ILCS 20/2) (from Ch. 23, par. 6602)

4 Sec. 2. Definitions. As used in this Act, unless the 5 context requires otherwise:

(a) "Abuse" means causing any physical, mental or sexual
injury to an eligible adult, including exploitation of such
adult's financial resources.

9 Nothing in this Act shall be construed to mean that an 10 eligible adult is a victim of abuse, neglect, or self-neglect 11 for the sole reason that he or she is being furnished with or 12 relies upon treatment by spiritual means through prayer alone, 13 in accordance with the tenets and practices of a recognized 14 church or religious denomination.

Nothing in this Act shall be construed to mean that an eligible adult is a victim of abuse because of health care services provided or not provided by licensed health care professionals.

19 (a-5) "Abuser" means a person who abuses, neglects, or 20 financially exploits an eligible adult.

(a-7) "Caregiver" means a person who either as a result of a family relationship, voluntarily, or in exchange for compensation has assumed responsibility for all or a portion of the care of an eligible adult who needs assistance with activities of daily living. (b) "Department" means the Department on Aging of the State
 of Illinois.

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(c) "Director" means the Director of the Department.

4 (d) "Domestic living situation" means a residence where the 5 eligible adult at the time of the report lives alone or with 6 his or her family or a caregiver, or others, or a board and 7 care home or other community-based unlicensed facility, but is 8 not:

9 (1) A licensed facility as defined in Section 1-113 of
10 the Nursing Home Care Act;

11 (1.5) A facility licensed under the ID/DD Community 12 Care Act;

13 (1.7) A facility licensed under the Specialized Mental
14 Health Rehabilitation Act;

15 (2) A "life care facility" as defined in the Life Care
16 Facilities Act;

17 (3) A home, institution, or other place operated by the
18 federal government or agency thereof or by the State of
19 Illinois;

20 (4) A hospital, sanitarium, or other institution, the 21 principal activity or business of which is the diagnosis, 22 care, and treatment of human illness through the 23 and operation maintenance of organized facilities 24 therefor, which is required to be licensed under the 25 Hospital Licensing Act;

(5) A "community living facility" as defined in the

Community Living Facilities Licensing Act;

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3 (7) A "community-integrated living arrangement" as
4 defined in the Community-Integrated Living Arrangements
5 Licensure and Certification Act;

6 (8) An assisted living or shared housing establishment
7 as defined in the Assisted Living and Shared Housing Act;
8 or

9 (9) A supportive living facility as described in
10 Section 5-5.01a of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

(e) "Eligible adult" means a person 60 years of age or older who resides in a domestic living situation and is, or is alleged to be, abused, neglected, or financially exploited by another individual or who neglects himself or herself.

(f) "Emergency" means a situation in which an eligible adult is living in conditions presenting a risk of death or physical, mental or sexual injury and the provider agency has reason to believe the eligible adult is unable to consent to services which would alleviate that risk.

20 (f-5) "Mandated reporter" means any of the following 21 persons while engaged in carrying out their professional 22 duties:

(1) a professional or professional's delegate while
engaged in: (i) social services, (ii) law enforcement,
(iii) education, (iv) the care of an eligible adult or
eligible adults, or (v) any of the occupations required to

be licensed under the Clinical Psychologist Licensing Act, 1 2 the Clinical Social Work and Social Work Practice Act, the 3 Illinois Dental Practice Act, the Dietetic and Nutrition Services Practice Act, the Marriage and Family Therapy 4 5 Licensing Act, the Medical Practice Act of 1987, the Naprapathic Practice Act, the Nurse Practice Act, the 6 7 Nursing Home Administrators Licensing and Disciplinary 8 Act, the Illinois Occupational Therapy Practice Act, the 9 Illinois Optometric Practice Act of 1987, the Pharmacy 10 Practice Act, the Illinois Physical Therapy Act, the 11 Physician Assistant Practice Act of 1987, the Podiatric 12 Medical Practice Act of 1987, the Respiratory Care Practice Act, the Professional Counselor and Clinical Professional 13 14 Counselor Licensing and Practice Act, the Illinois 15 Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Practice Act, the 16 Veterinary Medicine and Surgery Practice Act of 2004, and 17 the Illinois Public Accounting Act;

18 (2) an employee of a vocational rehabilitation 19 facility prescribed or supervised by the Department of 20 Human Services;

21 (3) an administrator, employee, or person providing 22 services in or through an unlicensed community based 23 facility;

(4) any religious practitioner who provides treatment
 by prayer or spiritual means alone in accordance with the
 tenets and practices of a recognized church or religious

denomination, except as to information received in any confession or sacred communication enjoined by the discipline of the religious denomination to be held confidential;

5 (5) field personnel of the Department of Healthcare and 6 Family Services, Department of Public Health, and 7 Department of Human Services, and any county or municipal 8 health department;

9 (6) personnel of the Department of Human Services, the 10 Guardianship and Advocacy Commission, the State Fire 11 Marshal, local fire departments, the Department on Aging 12 and its subsidiary Area Agencies on Aging and provider 13 agencies, and the Office of State Long Term Care Ombudsman;

14 (7) any employee of the State of Illinois not otherwise 15 specified herein who is involved in providing services to 16 eligible adults, including professionals providing medical 17 or rehabilitation services and all other persons having 18 direct contact with eligible adults;

19 (8) a person who performs the duties of a coroner or20 medical examiner; or

(9) a person who performs the duties of a paramedic oran emergency medical technician.

(g) "Neglect" means another individual's failure to provide an eligible adult with or willful withholding from an eligible adult the necessities of life including, but not limited to, food, clothing, shelter or health care. This

subsection does not create any new affirmative duty to provide support to eligible adults. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to mean that an eligible adult is a victim of neglect because of health care services provided or not provided by licensed health care professionals.

6 (h) "Provider agency" means any public or nonprofit agency 7 in a planning and service area appointed by the regional 8 administrative agency with prior approval by the Department on 9 Aging to receive and assess reports of alleged or suspected 10 abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation.

(i) "Regional administrative agency" means any public or nonprofit agency in a planning and service area so designated by the Department, provided that the designated Area Agency on Aging shall be designated the regional administrative agency if it so requests. The Department shall assume the functions of the regional administrative agency for any planning and service area where another agency is not so designated.

(i-5) "Self-neglect" means a condition that is the result 18 of an eligible adult's inability, due to physical or mental 19 20 impairments, or both, or a diminished capacity, to perform essential self-care tasks that substantially threaten his or 21 22 her own health, including: providing essential food, clothing, 23 shelter, and health care; and obtaining goods and services necessary to maintain physical health, 24 mental health, 25 emotional well-being, and general safety. The term includes compulsive hoarding, which is characterized by the acquisition 26

and retention of large quantities of items and materials that produce an extensively cluttered living space, which significantly impairs the performance of essential self-care tasks or otherwise substantially threatens life or safety.

5 (j) "Substantiated case" means a reported case of alleged 6 or suspected abuse, neglect, financial exploitation, or 7 self-neglect in which a provider agency, after assessment, 8 determines that there is reason to believe abuse, neglect, or 9 financial exploitation has occurred.

10 (Source: P.A. 96-339, eff. 7-1-10; 96-526, eff. 1-1-10; 96-572, 11 eff. 1-1-10; 96-1000, eff. 7-2-10; 97-38, eff. 6-28-11; 97-227, 12 eff. 1-1-12; 97-300, eff. 8-11-11; revised 10-4-11.)

Section 15. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by changing Section 5-5-5 as follows:

15 (730 ILCS 5/5-5-5) (from Ch. 38, par. 1005-5-5)

16 Sec. 5-5-5. Loss and Restoration of Rights.

(a) Conviction and disposition shall not entail the loss by the defendant of any civil rights, except under this Section and Sections 29-6 and 29-10 of The Election Code, as now or hereafter amended.

(b) A person convicted of a felony shall be ineligible to
hold an office created by the Constitution of this State until
the completion of his sentence.

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(c) A person sentenced to imprisonment shall lose his right

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1 to vote until released from imprisonment.

2 (d) On completion of sentence of imprisonment or upon discharge from probation, conditional discharge or periodic 3 imprisonment, or at any time thereafter, all license rights and 4 5 privileges granted under the authority of this State which have 6 been revoked or suspended because of conviction of an offense 7 shall be restored unless the authority having jurisdiction of 8 such license rights finds after investigation and hearing that 9 restoration is not in the public interest. This paragraph (d) 10 shall not apply to the suspension or revocation of a license to 11 operate a motor vehicle under the Illinois Vehicle Code.

12 (e) Upon a person's discharge from incarceration or parole, 13 or upon a person's discharge from probation or at any time 14 thereafter, the committing court may enter an order certifying 15 that the sentence has been satisfactorily completed when the court believes it would assist in the rehabilitation of the 16 17 person and be consistent with the public welfare. Such order may be entered upon the motion of the defendant or the State or 18 19 upon the court's own motion.

20 (f) Upon entry of the order, the court shall issue to the 21 person in whose favor the order has been entered a certificate 22 stating that his behavior after conviction has warranted the 23 issuance of the order.

(g) This Section shall not affect the right of a defendant
to collaterally attack his conviction or to rely on it in bar
of subsequent proceedings for the same offense.

(h) No application for any license specified in subsection 1 2 (i) of this Section granted under the authority of this State shall be denied by reason of an eligible offender who has 3 obtained a certificate of relief from disabilities, as defined 4 5 in Article 5.5 of this Chapter, having been previously 6 convicted of one or more criminal offenses, or by reason of a finding of lack of "good moral character" when the finding is 7 8 based upon the fact that the applicant has previously been 9 convicted of one or more criminal offenses, unless:

10 (1) there is a direct relationship between one or more 11 of the previous criminal offenses and the specific license 12 sought; or

13 (2) the issuance of the license would involve an
14 unreasonable risk to property or to the safety or welfare
15 of specific individuals or the general public.

16 In making such a determination, the licensing agency shall 17 consider the following factors:

(1) the public policy of this State, as expressed in
Article 5.5 of this Chapter, to encourage the licensure and
employment of persons previously convicted of one or more
criminal offenses;

(2) the specific duties and responsibilities
 necessarily related to the license being sought;

(3) the bearing, if any, the criminal offenses or
offenses for which the person was previously convicted will
have on his or her fitness or ability to perform one or

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more such duties and responsibilities;

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(4) the time which has elapsed since the occurrence of the criminal offense or offenses;

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(5) the age of the person at the time of occurrence of the criminal offense or offenses;

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(6) the seriousness of the offense or offenses;

7 (7) any information produced by the person or produced 8 on his or her behalf in regard to his or her rehabilitation 9 and good conduct, including a certificate of relief from 10 disabilities issued to the applicant, which certificate 11 shall create a presumption of rehabilitation in regard to 12 the offense or offenses specified in the certificate; and

13 (8) the legitimate interest of the licensing agency in
14 protecting property, and the safety and welfare of specific
15 individuals or the general public.

16 (i) A certificate of relief from disabilities shall be 17 issued only for a license or certification issued under the 18 following Acts:

(1) the Animal Welfare Act; except that a certificate
of relief from disabilities may not be granted to provide
for the issuance or restoration of a license under the
Animal Welfare Act for any person convicted of violating
Section 3, 3.01, 3.02, 3.03, 3.03-1, or 4.01 of the Humane
Care for Animals Act or Section 26-5 of the Criminal Code
of 1961;

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(2) the Illinois Athletic Trainers Practice Act;

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HB5594 - 66 - LRB097 18433 CEL 63660 b (21) the Dietetic and Nutrition Services Practice Act; 1 2 (22) the Environmental Health Practitioner Licensing 3 Act; (23) the Funeral Directors and Embalmers Licensing 4 Code: 5 6 (24) the Land Sales Registration Act of 1999; 7 (25) the Professional Geologist Licensing Act; (26) the Illinois Public Accounting Act; and 8 (27) the Structural Engineering Practice Act of 1989. 9 10 (Source: P.A. 96-1246, eff. 1-1-11; 97-119, eff. 7-14-11.) 11 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 12 becoming law.

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