

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Human Services and Housing

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 03/30/15

Action: Do Pass As Amended And Be Printed Engrossed.

Meeting Dates: 03/23, 03/30

Vote:

Yeas: 8 - Evans, Gallegos, Hayden, Keny-Guyer, Parrish, Piluso, Stark, Taylor

Exc: 1 - Buehler

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Allows State Board of Licensed Social Workers to adopt rules on temporary licensure, including establishing fees. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- No public testimony offered

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

Adds emergency clause.

BACKGROUND:

Temporary licensure, registration and certification is not currently available for masters-level social workers making the transition from post-baccalaureate education or clinical training programs, which makes them ineligible to apply for and obtain certain jobs due to a requirement for credentials.

House Bill 2473-A allows the State Board of Licensed Social Workers to adopt rules on temporary, limited licensure, registration and certification for trained, masters-level social workers who require licensure for the purposes of gaining or retaining employment until full licensure, registration or certification is obtained.