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I am a licensed social worker on the associate level (CSWA) and I oppose this measure primarily on the grounds that it shifts social work supervision for associates into the hands of other disciplines. Social work maintains a unique and valuable approach to clinical work, and associate social workers benefit greatly from the wisdom of supervisors that are also trained in the values, ethics, and principles of social work. The social worker's approach to clinical care is what makes social worker clinicians uniquely equipped to provide treatment to certain populations, and it would be harmful to our clients and dishonorable to our ethics to standardize social work clinical care into the fold of other clinical disciplines.