LICENSING OF GENETIC COUNSELORS TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS

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STATE OF UTAH

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This act modifies the Genetic Counselors Licensing Act. The act amends the qualifications for licensure by permitting a degree equivalent to a masters or doctoral degree as determined by the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing.

This act affects sections of Utah Code Annotated 1953 as follows:

AMENDS:

58-75-302, as enacted by Chapter 100, Laws of Utah 2001

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section 58-75-302 is amended to read:

58-75-302. Qualifications for licensure -- Temporary license.

(1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), each applicant for licensure as a genetic counselor under this chapter shall:

- (a) submit an application in a form prescribed by the division;
- (b) pay a fee determined by the department under Section 63-38-3.2;
- (c) be of good moral character;
- (d) provide satisfactory documentation of having earned:

(i) a master's degree from a genetic counseling training program that is accredited by the American Board of Genetic Counseling <u>or an equivalent as determined by the division;</u> or

(ii) a doctoral degree from a medical genetics training program that is accredited by the American Board of Medical Genetics or an equivalent as determined by the division; and

(e) meet the examination requirement for certification as:

(i) a genetic counselor by the American Board of Genetic Counseling or the American Board of Medical Genetics; or

- (ii) a medical geneticist by the American Board of Medical Genetics.
- (2) The division may issue a temporary license, in accordance with Section 58-1-303 and

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any other conditions established by rule, to an applicant who meets all of the requirements for licensure except the examination requirement of Subsection (1)(e).