

2nd Sub. S.B. 26

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH LICENSING AMENDMENTS

Senator **Evan J. Vickers** proposes the following amendments:

1. *Page 1, Lines 18 through 21:*

18 contract;
19 ▶ ~~{establishes that substance use disorders qualify an individual licensee for the Utah~~
20 ~~Professionals Health Program's alternative path to public disciplinary action;}~~
21 ▶ creates the Behavioral Health Board, a multi-professional board to replace certain

2. *Page 64, Lines 1962 through 1969:*

1962 (5) The requirements of Subsection (4)(c) may be satisfied by providing official
1963 verification of current certification in good standing {~~as~~} ;
1964 (a) (i) - as a National Certified Addiction Counselor Level II (NCAC II) from the National
1965 Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals (NCC AP); or
1966 ~~{(b)}~~ (ii) - as an Advanced Alcohol & Drug Counselor (AADC), from the International
1967 Certification and Reciprocity Consortium {~~.~~} ; or
(b) of substantive equivalence to the certifications under Subsection (5)(a), as determined by
division rule made in consultation with the board.
1968 [(2) In accordance with division rules, an applicant for licensure as an advanced
1969 substance use disorder counselor shall produce:]

3. *Page 79, Lines 2434 through 2438:*

2434 (ii) has completed a master's degree in clinical psychopharmacology from an institution
2435 of higher learning whose master's program, at the time the applicant received the master's
2436 degree, included at least {~~60~~} 30 credit hours of didactics coursework over no less than four
2437 semesters, met approval criteria established by division rule made in consultation with the
2438 board and includes the following core areas of instruction:

4. *Page 80, Lines 2452 through 2456:*

2452 (B) for an applicant for a prescription certificate who specializes in the psychological
2453 care of children 17 years of age or younger ~~.~~ {~~elderly persons~~} persons 65 years of age or
older , or persons with comorbid {~~psychological~~} medical conditions, at least
2454 one year prescribing psychotropic medications to those populations, as certified by the
2455 applicant's supervising licensed physician;
2456 (d) have passed:

5. Page 81, Lines 2482 through 2484:

2482 (f) provide satisfactory evidence the applicant has actively practiced as a prescribing
2483 psychologist in that jurisdiction for not less than ~~{2,000}~~ 4,000 hours or ~~{one year}~~ two
years , whichever is greater;
2484 (g) provide satisfactory evidence that the applicant has satisfied the education,