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## AN ACT

To repeal sections 337.020, 337.025, 337.050, 337.315, 337.320, 337.507, 337.510, 337.515, 337.612, 337.615, 337.618, 337.662, 337.712, 337.715, and 337.718, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof sixteen new sections relating to cultural competency training for health care professionals.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Sections 337.020, 337.025, 337.050, 337.315, 337.320, 337.507, 337.510, 337.515, 337.612, 337.615, 337.618, 337.662, 337.712, 337.715, and 337.718, RSMo, are repealed and sixteen new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 324.037, 337.020, 337.025, 337.050, 337.315, 337.320, 337.507, 337.510, 337.515, 337.612, 337.615, 337.618, 337.662, 337.712, 337.715, and 337.718, to read as follows:

**324.037. 1. For the purposes of this section, the following terms shall mean:**

**(1) "Cultural competency", cultural knowledge that can be incorporated into therapeutic and medical evaluation and treatment, including:**

**(a) Direct communication in the patient's primary language;**

**(b) Understanding and applying the roles that culture, ethnicity, and race play in diagnosis, treatment, and clinical care; and**

**(c) Awareness of how the attitudes, values, and beliefs of health care providers and patients influence and impact professional and patient relations;**

**(2) "Health care professional", a physician, other health care practitioner, or mental health professional licensed, accredited, or**

**EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

14 **certified by the state of Missouri to perform specified health services.**

15 **2. Any health care professional in the state of Missouri may**  
16 **annually complete up to two hours of cultural competency training,**  
17 **which shall qualify as part of the continuing education requirements**  
18 **for his or her licensure.**

337.020. 1. Each person desiring to obtain a license, whether temporary,  
2 provisional or permanent, as a psychologist shall make application to the  
3 committee upon such forms and in such manner as may be prescribed by the  
4 committee and shall pay the required application fee. The form shall include a  
5 statement that the applicant has completed two hours of suicide assessment,  
6 referral, treatment, and management training [that meets] **and two hours of**  
7 **cultural competency training as defined in section 324.037, both of**  
8 **which shall meet** the guidelines developed by the committee. The committee  
9 shall not charge an application fee until such time that the application has been  
10 approved. In the event that an application is denied or rejected, no application  
11 fee shall be charged. The application fee shall not be refundable. Each  
12 application shall contain a statement that it is made under oath or affirmation  
13 and that its representations are true and correct to the best knowledge and belief  
14 of the person signing the application, subject to the penalties of making a false  
15 affidavit or declaration.

16 2. Each applicant, whether for temporary, provisional or permanent  
17 licensure, shall submit evidence satisfactory to the committee that the applicant  
18 is at least twenty-one years of age, is of good moral character, and meets the  
19 appropriate educational requirements as set forth in either section 337.021 or  
20 337.025, or is qualified for licensure without examination pursuant to section  
21 337.029. In determining the acceptability of the applicant's qualifications, the  
22 committee may require evidence that it deems reasonable and proper, in  
23 accordance with law, and the applicant shall furnish the evidence in the manner  
24 required by the committee.

25 3. The committee with assistance from the division shall issue a  
26 permanent license to and register as a psychologist any applicant who, in  
27 addition to having fulfilled the other requirements of sections 337.010 to 337.090,  
28 passes the examination for professional practice in psychology and such other  
29 examinations in psychology which may be adopted by the committee, except that  
30 an applicant fulfilling the requirement of section 337.029 shall upon successful  
31 completion of the jurisprudence examination and completion of the oral

32 examination be permanently licensed without having to retake the examination  
33 for professional practice in psychology.

34 4. The committee, with assistance from the division, shall issue a  
35 provisional license to, and register as being a provisionally licensed psychologist,  
36 any applicant who is a graduate of a recognized educational institution with a  
37 doctoral degree in psychology as defined in section 337.025, and who otherwise  
38 meets all requirements to become a licensed psychologist, except for passage of  
39 the national and state licensing exams, oral examination and completion of the  
40 required period of postdegree supervised experience as specified in subsection 2  
41 of section 337.025.

42 5. A provisional license issued pursuant to subsection 4 of this section  
43 shall only authorize and permit the applicant to render those psychological  
44 services which are under the supervision and the full professional responsibility  
45 and control of such person's postdoctoral degree licensed supervisor. A  
46 provisional license shall automatically terminate upon issuance of a permanent  
47 license, upon a finding of cause to discipline after notice and hearing pursuant  
48 to section 337.035, upon the expiration of one year from the date of issuance  
49 whichever event first occurs, or upon termination of supervision by the licensed  
50 supervisor. The provisional license may be renewed after one year with a  
51 maximum issuance of two years total per provisional licensee. The committee by  
52 rule shall provide procedures for exceptions and variances from the requirement  
53 of a maximum issuance of two years due to vacations, illness, pregnancy and  
54 other good causes.

55 6. The committee, with assistance from the division, shall immediately  
56 issue a temporary license to any applicant for licensure either by reciprocity  
57 pursuant to section 337.029, or by endorsement of the score from the examination  
58 for professional practice in psychology upon receipt of an application for such  
59 licensure and upon proof that the applicant is either licensed as a psychologist  
60 in another jurisdiction, is a diplomate of the American Board of Professional  
61 Psychology, or is a member of the National Register of Health Services Providers  
62 in Psychology.

63 7. A temporary license issued pursuant to subsection 6 of this section  
64 shall authorize the applicant to practice psychology in this state, the same as if  
65 a permanent license had been issued. Such temporary license shall be issued  
66 without payment of an additional fee and shall remain in full force and effect  
67 until the earlier of the following events:

68 (1) A permanent license has been issued to the applicant following  
69 successful completion of the jurisprudence examination and the oral interview  
70 examination;

71 (2) In cases where the committee has found the applicant ineligible for  
72 licensure and no appeal has been taken to the administrative hearing  
73 commission, then at the expiration of such appeal time; or

74 (3) In cases where the committee has found the applicant ineligible for  
75 licensure and the applicant has taken an appeal to the administrative hearing  
76 commission and the administrative hearing commission has also found the  
77 applicant ineligible, then upon the rendition by the administrative hearing  
78 commission of its findings of fact and conclusions of law to such effect.

79 8. Written and oral examinations pursuant to sections 337.010 to 337.090  
80 shall be administered by the committee at least twice each year to any applicant  
81 who meets the educational requirements set forth in either section 337.021 or  
82 337.025 or to any applicant who is seeking licensure either by reciprocity  
83 pursuant to section 337.029, or by endorsement of the score from the examination  
84 of professional practice in psychology. The committee shall examine in the areas  
85 of professional knowledge, techniques and applications, research and its  
86 interpretation, professional affairs, ethics, and Missouri law and regulations  
87 governing the practice of psychology. The committee may use, in whole or in part,  
88 the examination for professional practice in psychology national examination in  
89 psychology or such other national examination in psychology which may be  
90 available.

91 9. If an applicant fails any examination, the applicant shall be permitted  
92 to take a subsequent examination, upon the payment of an additional  
93 reexamination fee. This reexamination fee shall not be refundable.

337.025. 1. The provisions of this section shall govern the education and  
2 experience requirements for initial licensure as a psychologist for the following  
3 persons:

4 (1) A person who has not matriculated in a graduate degree program  
5 which is primarily psychological in nature on or before August 28, 1990; and

6 (2) A person who is matriculated after August 28, 1990, in a graduate  
7 degree program designed to train professional psychologists.

8 2. Each applicant shall submit satisfactory evidence to the committee that  
9 the applicant has received a doctoral degree in psychology from a recognized  
10 educational institution, [and] has had at least one year of satisfactory supervised

11 professional experience in the field of psychology, **and has completed two**  
12 **hours of cultural competency training as defined in section 324.037 that**  
13 **meets the guidelines developed by the committee.**

14 3. A doctoral degree in psychology is defined as:

15 (1) A program accredited, or provisionally accredited, by the American  
16 Psychological Association (APA), the Canadian Psychological Association (CPA),  
17 or the Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation System (PCSAS); provided  
18 that, such program includes a supervised practicum, internship, field, or  
19 laboratory training appropriate to the practice of psychology; or

20 (2) A program designated or approved, including provisional approval, by  
21 the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards or the Council for the  
22 National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology, or both; or

23 (3) A graduate program that meets all of the following criteria:

24 (a) The program, wherever it may be administratively housed, shall be  
25 clearly identified and labeled as a psychology program. Such a program shall  
26 specify in pertinent institutional catalogues and brochures its intent to educate  
27 and train professional psychologists;

28 (b) The psychology program shall stand as a recognizable, coherent  
29 organizational entity within the institution of higher education;

30 (c) There shall be a clear authority and primary responsibility for the core  
31 and specialty areas whether or not the program cuts across administrative lines;

32 (d) The program shall be an integrated, organized, sequence of study;

33 (e) There shall be an identifiable psychology faculty and a psychologist  
34 responsible for the program;

35 (f) The program shall have an identifiable body of students who are  
36 matriculated in that program for a degree;

37 (g) The program shall include a supervised practicum, internship, field,  
38 or laboratory training appropriate to the practice of psychology;

39 (h) The curriculum shall encompass a minimum of three academic years  
40 of full-time graduate study, with a minimum of one year's residency at the  
41 educational institution granting the doctoral degree; and

42 (i) Require the completion by the applicant of a core program in  
43 psychology which shall be met by the completion and award of at least one  
44 three-semester-hour graduate credit course or a combination of graduate credit  
45 courses totaling three semester hours or five quarter hours in each of the  
46 following areas:

47           a. The biological bases of behavior such as courses in: physiological  
48 psychology, comparative psychology, neuropsychology, sensation and perception,  
49 psychopharmacology;

50           b. The cognitive-affective bases of behavior such as courses in: learning,  
51 thinking, motivation, emotion, and cognitive psychology;

52           c. The social bases of behavior such as courses in: social psychology,  
53 group processes/dynamics, interpersonal relationships, and organizational and  
54 systems theory;

55           d. Individual differences such as courses in: personality theory, human  
56 development, abnormal psychology, developmental psychology, child psychology,  
57 adolescent psychology, psychology of aging, and theories of personality;

58           e. The scientific methods and procedures of understanding, predicting and  
59 influencing human behavior such as courses in: statistics, experimental design,  
60 psychometrics, individual testing, group testing, and research design and  
61 methodology.

62           4. Acceptable supervised professional experience may be accrued through  
63 preinternship, internship, predoctoral postinternship, or postdoctoral  
64 experiences. The academic training director or the postdoctoral training  
65 supervisor shall attest to the hours accrued to meet the requirements of this  
66 section. Such hours shall consist of:

67           (1) A minimum of fifteen hundred hours of experience in a successfully  
68 completed internship to be completed in not less than twelve nor more than  
69 twenty-four months; and

70           (2) A minimum of two thousand hours of experience consisting of any  
71 combination of the following:

72           (a) Preinternship and predoctoral postinternship professional experience  
73 that occurs following the completion of the first year of the doctoral program or  
74 at any time while in a doctoral program after completion of a master's degree in  
75 psychology or equivalent as defined by rule by the committee;

76           (b) Up to seven hundred fifty hours obtained while on the internship  
77 under subdivision (1) of this subsection but beyond the fifteen hundred hours  
78 identified in subdivision (1) of this subsection; or

79           (c) Postdoctoral professional experience obtained in no more than  
80 twenty-four consecutive calendar months. In no case shall this experience be  
81 accumulated at a rate of more than fifty hours per week. Postdoctoral supervised  
82 professional experience for prospective health service providers and other

83 applicants shall involve and relate to the delivery of psychological services in  
84 accordance with professional requirements and relevant to the applicant's  
85 intended area of practice.

86         5. Experience for those applicants who intend to seek health service  
87 provider certification and who have completed a program in one or more of the  
88 American Psychological Association designated health service provider delivery  
89 areas shall be obtained under the primary supervision of a licensed psychologist  
90 who is also a health service provider or who otherwise meets the requirements for  
91 health service provider certification. Experience for those applicants who do not  
92 intend to seek health service provider certification shall be obtained under the  
93 primary supervision of a licensed psychologist or such other qualified mental  
94 health professional approved by the committee.

95         6. For postinternship and postdoctoral hours, the psychological activities  
96 of the applicant shall be performed pursuant to the primary supervisor's order,  
97 control, and full professional responsibility. The primary supervisor shall  
98 maintain a continuing relationship with the applicant and shall meet with the  
99 applicant a minimum of one hour per month in face-to-face individual  
100 supervision. Clinical supervision may be delegated by the primary supervisor to  
101 one or more secondary supervisors who are qualified psychologists. The  
102 secondary supervisors shall retain order, control, and full professional  
103 responsibility for the applicant's clinical work under their supervision and shall  
104 meet with the applicant a minimum of one hour per week in face-to-face  
105 individual supervision. If the primary supervisor is also the clinical supervisor,  
106 meetings shall be a minimum of one hour per week. Group supervision shall not  
107 be acceptable for supervised professional experience. The primary supervisor  
108 shall certify to the committee that the applicant has complied with these  
109 requirements and that the applicant has demonstrated ethical and competent  
110 practice of psychology. The changing by an agency of the primary supervisor  
111 during the course of the supervised experience shall not invalidate the supervised  
112 experience.

113         7. The committee by rule shall provide procedures for exceptions and  
114 variances from the requirements for once a week face-to-face supervision due to  
115 vacations, illness, pregnancy, and other good causes.

337.050. 1. There is hereby created and established a "State Committee  
2 of Psychologists", which shall consist of seven licensed psychologists and one  
3 public member. The state committee of psychologists existing on August 28,

4 1989, is abolished. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the  
5 appointment of any current member of the state committee of psychologists to the  
6 new state committee of psychologists created on August 28, 1989.

7         2. Appointments to the committee shall be made by the governor upon the  
8 recommendations of the director of the division, upon the advice and consent of  
9 the senate. The division, prior to submitting nominations, shall solicit nominees  
10 from professional psychological associations and licensed psychologists in the  
11 state. The term of office for committee members shall be five years, and  
12 committee members shall not serve more than ten years. No person who has  
13 previously served on the committee for ten years shall be eligible for  
14 appointment. In making initial appointments to the committee, the governor  
15 shall stagger the terms of the appointees so that two members serve initial terms  
16 of two years, two members serve initial terms of three years, and two members  
17 serve initial terms of four years.

18         3. Each committee member shall be a resident of the state of Missouri for  
19 one year, shall be a United States citizen, and shall, other than the public  
20 member, have been licensed as a psychologist in this state for at least three  
21 years. Committee members shall reflect a diversity of practice specialties. To  
22 ensure adequate representation of the diverse fields of psychology, the committee  
23 shall consist of at least two psychologists who are engaged full time in the  
24 doctoral teaching and training of psychologists, and at least two psychologists  
25 who are engaged full time in the professional practice of psychology. In addition,  
26 the first appointment to the committee shall include at least one psychologist who  
27 shall be licensed on the basis of a master's degree who shall serve a full term of  
28 five years. Nothing in sections 337.010 to 337.090 shall be construed to prohibit  
29 full membership rights on the committee for psychologists licensed on the basis  
30 of a master's degree. If a member of the committee shall, during the member's  
31 term as a committee member, remove the member's domicile from the state of  
32 Missouri, then the committee shall immediately notify the director of the division,  
33 and the seat of that committee member shall be declared vacant. All such  
34 vacancies shall be filled by appointment of the governor with the advice and  
35 consent of the senate, and the member so appointed shall serve for the unexpired  
36 term of the member whose seat has been declared vacant.

37         4. The public member shall be at the time of the public member's  
38 appointment a citizen of the United States; a resident of this state for a period  
39 of one year and a registered voter; a person who is not and never was a member



40 of any profession licensed or regulated pursuant to sections 337.010 to 337.093  
41 or the spouse of such person; and a person who does not have and never has had  
42 a material, financial interest in either the providing of the professional services  
43 regulated by sections 337.010 to 337.093, or an activity or organization directly  
44 related to any profession licensed or regulated pursuant to sections 337.010 to  
45 337.093. The duties of the public member shall not include the determination of  
46 the technical requirements to be met for licensure or whether any person meets  
47 such technical requirements or of the technical competence or technical judgment  
48 of a licensee or a candidate for licensure.

49         5. The committee shall hold a regular annual meeting at which it shall  
50 select from among its members a chairperson and a secretary. A quorum of the  
51 committee shall consist of a majority of its members. In the absence of the  
52 chairperson, the secretary shall conduct the office of the chairperson.

53         6. Each member of the committee shall receive, as compensation, an  
54 amount set by the division not to exceed fifty dollars for each day devoted to the  
55 affairs of the committee and shall be entitled to reimbursement for necessary and  
56 actual expenses incurred in the performance of the member's official duties.

57         7. Staff for the committee shall be provided by the director of the division  
58 of professional registration.

59         8. The governor may remove any member of the committee for misconduct,  
60 inefficiency, incompetency, or neglect of office.

61         9. In addition to the powers set forth elsewhere in sections 337.010 to  
62 337.090, the division may adopt rules and regulations, not otherwise inconsistent  
63 with sections 337.010 to 337.090, to carry out the provisions of sections 337.010  
64 to 337.090. The committee may promulgate, by rule, "Ethical Rules of Conduct"  
65 governing the practices of psychology which rules shall be based upon the ethical  
66 principles promulgated and published by the American Psychological Association.

67         10. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section  
68 536.010, that is promulgated to administer and enforce sections 337.010 to  
69 337.090, shall become effective only if the agency has fully complied with all of  
70 the requirements of chapter 536 including but not limited to section 536.028 if  
71 applicable, after August 28, 1998. All rulemaking authority delegated prior to  
72 August 28, 1998, is of no force and effect and repealed as of August 28, 1998,  
73 however nothing in this act shall be interpreted to repeal or affect the validity of  
74 any rule adopted and promulgated prior to August 28, 1998. If the provisions of  
75 section 536.028 apply, the provisions of this section are nonseverable and if any

76 of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to section 536.028 to  
77 review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule or portion  
78 of a rule are held unconstitutional or invalid, the purported grant of rulemaking  
79 authority and any rule so proposed and contained in the order of rulemaking  
80 shall be invalid and void, except that nothing in this act shall affect the validity  
81 of any rule adopted and promulgated prior to August 28, 1998.

82 11. The committee may sue and be sued in its official name, and shall  
83 have a seal which shall be affixed to all certified copies or records and papers on  
84 file, and to such other instruments as the committee may direct. All courts shall  
85 take judicial notice of such seal. Copies of records and proceedings of the  
86 committee, and of all papers on file with the division on behalf of the committee  
87 certified under the seal shall be received as evidence in all courts of record.

88 12. When applying for a renewal of a license pursuant to section 337.030,  
89 each licensed psychologist shall submit proof of the completion of at least forty  
90 hours of continuing education credit within the two-year period immediately  
91 preceding the date of the application for renewal of the license, **which shall**  
92 **include two hours of cultural competency training as defined in section**  
93 **324.037 that meets guidelines developed by the committee.** The type of  
94 continuing education to be considered shall include, but not be limited to:

95 (1) Attending recognized educational seminars, the content of which are  
96 primarily psychological, as defined by rule;

97 (2) Attending a graduate level course at a recognized educational  
98 institution where the contents of which are primarily psychological, as defined by  
99 rule;

100 (3) Presenting a recognized educational seminar, the contents of which are  
101 primarily psychological, as defined by rule;

102 (4) Presenting a graduate level course at a recognized educational  
103 institution where the contents of which are primarily psychological, as defined by  
104 rule; and

105 (5) Independent course of studies, the contents of which are primarily  
106 psychological, which have been approved by the committee and defined by rule.  
107 The committee shall determine by administrative rule the amount of training,  
108 instruction, self-instruction or teaching that shall be counted as an hour of  
109 continuing education credit.

337.315. 1. An applied behavior analysis intervention shall produce  
2 socially significant improvements in human behavior through skill acquisition,

3 increase or decrease in behaviors under specific environmental conditions and the  
4 reduction of problematic behavior. An applied behavior analysis intervention  
5 shall:

6 (1) Be based on empirical research and the identification of functional  
7 relations between behavior and environment, contextual factors, antecedent  
8 stimuli and reinforcement operations through the direct observation and  
9 measurement of behavior, arrangement of events and observation of effects on  
10 behavior, as well as other information gathering methods such as record review  
11 and interviews; and

12 (2) Utilize changes and arrangements of contextual factors, antecedent  
13 stimuli, positive reinforcement, and other consequences to produce behavior  
14 change.

15 2. Each person wishing to practice as a licensed behavior analyst shall:

16 (1) Submit a complete application on a form approved by the committee,  
17 which shall include a statement that the applicant has completed two hours of  
18 suicide assessment, referral, treatment, and management training, **and two**  
19 **hours of cultural competency training as defined in section 324.037,**  
20 **required under subdivision (2) of this subsection;**

21 (2) **Complete two hours of cultural competency training that**  
22 **meets the guidelines developed by the committee;**

23 (3) Pay all necessary fees as set by the committee;

24 [(3)] (4) Submit a two-inch or three-inch photograph or passport  
25 photograph taken no more than six months prior to the application date;

26 [(4)] (5) Provide two classified sets of fingerprints for processing by the  
27 Missouri state highway patrol under section 43.543. One set of fingerprints shall  
28 be used by the highway patrol to search the criminal history repository and the  
29 second set shall be forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for searching  
30 the federal criminal history files;

31 [(5)] (6) Have passed an examination and been certified as a  
32 board-certified behavior analyst by a certifying entity, as defined in section  
33 337.300;

34 [(6)] (7) Provide evidence of active status as a board-certified behavior  
35 analyst; and

36 [(7)] (8) If the applicant holds a license as a behavior analyst in another  
37 state, a statement from all issuing states verifying licensure and identifying any  
38 disciplinary action taken against the license holder by that state.

39           3. Each person wishing to practice as a licensed assistant behavior  
40 analyst shall:

41           (1) Submit a complete application on a form approved by the committee;

42           (2) Pay all necessary fees as set by the committee;

43           (3) Submit a two-inch or three-inch photograph or passport photograph  
44 taken no more than six months prior to the application date;

45           (4) Provide two classified sets of fingerprints for processing by the  
46 Missouri state highway patrol under section 43.543. One set of fingerprints shall  
47 be used by the highway patrol to search the criminal history repository and the  
48 second set shall be forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for searching  
49 the federal criminal history files;

50           (5) Have passed an examination and been certified as a board-certified  
51 assistant behavior analyst by a certifying entity, as defined in section 337.300;

52           (6) Provide evidence of active status as a board-certified assistant  
53 behavior analyst;

54           (7) If the applicant holds a license as an assistant behavior analyst in  
55 another state, a statement from all issuing states verifying licensure and  
56 identifying any disciplinary action taken against the license holder by that state;  
57 and

58           (8) Submit documentation satisfactory to the committee that the applicant  
59 will be directly supervised by a licensed behavior analyst in a manner consistent  
60 with the certifying entity.

61           4. The committee shall be authorized to issue a temporary license to an  
62 applicant for a behavior analyst license or assistant behavior analyst license upon  
63 receipt of a complete application, submission of a fee as set by the committee by  
64 rule for behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst, and a showing of valid  
65 licensure as a behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst in another state,  
66 only if the applicant has submitted fingerprints and no disqualifying criminal  
67 history appears on the family care safety registry. The temporary license shall  
68 expire upon issuance of a license or denial of the application but no later than  
69 ninety days from issuance of the temporary license. Upon written request to the  
70 committee, the holder of a temporary license shall be entitled to one extension of  
71 ninety days of the temporary license.

72           5. (1) The committee shall, in accordance with rules promulgated by the  
73 committee, issue a provisional behavior analyst license or a provisional assistant  
74 behavior analyst license upon receipt by the committee of a complete application,

75 appropriate fee as set by the committee by rule, and proof of satisfaction of  
76 requirements under subsections 2 and 3 of this section, respectively, and other  
77 requirements established by the committee by rule, except that applicants for a  
78 provisional license as either a behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst need  
79 not have passed an examination and been certified as a board-certified behavior  
80 analyst or a board-certified assistant behavior analyst to obtain a provisional  
81 behavior analyst or provisional assistant behavior analyst license.

82 (2) A provisional license issued under this subsection shall only authorize  
83 and permit the licensee to render behavior analysis under the supervision and the  
84 full professional responsibility and control of such licensee's licensed supervisor.

85 (3) A provisional license shall automatically terminate upon issuance of  
86 a permanent license, upon a finding of cause to discipline after notice and hearing  
87 under section 337.330, upon termination of supervision by a licensed supervisor,  
88 or upon the expiration of one year from the date of issuance of the provisional  
89 license, whichever first occurs. The provisional license may be renewed after one  
90 year, with a maximum issuance of two years. Upon a showing of good cause, the  
91 committee by rule shall provide procedures for exceptions and variances from the  
92 requirement of a maximum issuance of two years.

93 6. No person shall hold himself or herself out to be licensed behavior  
94 analysts or LBA, provisionally licensed behavior analyst or PLBA, provisionally  
95 licensed assistant behavior analyst or PLABA, temporary licensed behavior  
96 analyst or TLBA, or temporary licensed assistant behavior analyst or TLaBA,  
97 licensed assistant behavior analysts or LaBA in the state of Missouri unless they  
98 meet the applicable requirements.

99 7. No persons shall practice applied behavior analysis unless they are:

100 (1) Licensed behavior analysts;

101 (2) Licensed assistant behavior analysts working under the supervision  
102 of a licensed behavior analyst;

103 (3) An individual who has a bachelor's or graduate degree and completed  
104 course work for licensure as a behavior analyst and is obtaining supervised field  
105 experience under a licensed behavior analyst pursuant to required supervised  
106 work experience for licensure at the behavior analyst or assistant behavior  
107 analyst level;

108 (4) Licensed psychologists practicing within the rules and standards of  
109 practice for psychologists in the state of Missouri and whose practice is  
110 commensurate with their level of training and experience;

111 (5) Provisionally licensed behavior analysts;

112 (6) Provisionally licensed assistant behavior analysts;

113 (7) Temporary licensed behavior analysts; or

114 (8) Temporary licensed assistant behavior analysts.

115 8. Notwithstanding the provisions in subsection 6 of this section, any  
116 licensed or certified professional may practice components of applied behavior  
117 analysis, as defined in section 337.300 if he or she is acting within his or her  
118 applicable scope of practice and ethical guidelines.

119 9. All licensed behavior analysts and licensed assistant behavior analysts  
120 shall be bound by the code of conduct adopted by the committee by rule.

121 10. Licensed assistant behavior analysts shall work under the direct  
122 supervision of a licensed behavior analyst as established by committee rule.

123 11. Persons who provide services under the Individuals with Disabilities  
124 Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. Section 1400, et seq., or Section 504 of the  
125 federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. Section 794, or are enrolled in a  
126 course of study at a recognized educational institution through which the person  
127 provides applied behavior analysis as part of supervised clinical experience shall  
128 be exempt from the requirements of this section.

129 12. A violation of this section shall be punishable by probation,  
130 suspension, or loss of any license held by the violator.

337.320. 1. The division shall mail a renewal notice to the last known  
2 address of each licensee or registrant prior to the renewal date.

3 2. Each person wishing to renew the behavior analyst license or the  
4 assistant behavior analyst license shall:

5 (1) Submit a complete application on a form approved by the committee,  
6 which shall include a statement that the applicant has completed two hours of  
7 suicide assessment, referral, treatment, and management training, **and two**  
8 **hours of cultural competency training as defined in section 324.037**  
9 **required under subdivision (2) of this subsection;**

10 (2) **Complete two hours of cultural competency training that**  
11 **meets guidelines developed by the committee;**

12 (3) Pay all necessary fees as set by the committee; and

13 [(3)] (4) Submit proof of active certification and fulfillment of all  
14 requirements for renewal and recertification with the certifying entity.

15 3. Failure to provide the division with documentation required by  
16 subsection 2 of this section or other information required for renewal shall effect

17 a revocation of the license after a period of sixty days from the renewal date.

18 4. Each person wishing to restore the license, within two years of the  
19 renewal date, shall:

20 (1) Submit a complete application on a form approved by the committee;

21 (2) Pay the renewal fee and a delinquency fee as set by the committee;

22 and

23 (3) Submit proof of current certification from a certifying body approved  
24 by the committee.

25 5. A new license to replace any certificate lost, destroyed, or mutilated  
26 may be issued subject to the rules of the committee, upon payment of a fee  
27 established by the committee.

28 6. The committee shall set the amount of the fees authorized by sections  
29 337.300 to 337.345 and required by rules promulgated under section  
30 536.021. The fees shall be set at a level to produce revenue which shall not  
31 substantially exceed the cost and expense of administering sections 337.300 to  
32 337.345.

33 7. The committee is authorized to issue an inactive license to any licensee  
34 who makes written application for such license on a form provided by the  
35 committee and remits the fee for an inactive license established by the committee.  
36 An inactive license may be issued only to a person who has previously been  
37 issued a license to practice as a licensed behavior analyst or a licensed assistant  
38 behavior analyst who is no longer regularly engaged in such practice and who  
39 does not hold himself or herself out to the public as being professionally engaged  
40 in such practice in this state. Each inactive license shall be subject to all  
41 provisions of this chapter, except as otherwise specifically provided. Each  
42 inactive license may be renewed by the committee subject to all provisions of this  
43 section and all other provisions of this chapter. The inactive licensee shall not  
44 be required to submit evidence of completion of continuing education as required  
45 by this chapter.

46 8. An inactive licensee may apply for a license to regularly engage in the  
47 practice of behavioral analysis by:

48 (1) Submitting a complete application on a form approved by the  
49 committee;

50 (2) Paying the reactivation fee as set by the committee; and

51 (3) Submitting proof of current certification from a certifying body  
52 approved by the committee.

337.507. 1. Applications for examination and licensure as a professional  
2 counselor shall be in writing, submitted to the division on forms prescribed by the  
3 division and furnished to the applicant. The form shall include a statement that  
4 the applicant has completed two hours of suicide assessment, referral, treatment,  
5 and management training **and has completed two hours of cultural**  
6 **competency training as defined in section 324.037.** The application shall  
7 contain the applicant's statements showing his education, experience and such  
8 other information as the division may require. Each application shall contain a  
9 statement that it is made under oath or affirmation and that the information  
10 contained therein is true and correct to the best knowledge and belief of the  
11 applicant, subject to the penalties provided for the making of a false affidavit or  
12 declaration. Each application shall be accompanied by the fees required by the  
13 committee.

14 2. The division shall mail a renewal notice to the last known address of  
15 each licensee prior to the registration renewal date. Failure to provide the  
16 division with the information required for registration, or to pay the registration  
17 fee after such notice shall result in the expiration of the license. The license shall  
18 be restored if, within two years of the registration date, the applicant provides  
19 written application and the payment of the registration fee and a delinquency fee.

20 3. A new certificate to replace any certificate lost, destroyed or mutilated  
21 may be issued subject to the rules of the committee, upon payment of a fee.

22 4. The committee shall set the amount of the fees which sections 337.500  
23 to 337.540 authorize and require by rules and regulations promulgated pursuant  
24 to section 536.021. The fees shall be set at a level to produce revenue which shall  
25 not substantially exceed the cost and expense of administering the provisions of  
26 sections 337.500 to 337.540. All fees provided for in sections 337.500 to 337.540  
27 shall be collected by the director who shall deposit the same with the state  
28 treasurer in a fund to be known as the "Committee of Professional Counselors  
29 Fund".

30 5. The provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary notwithstanding, money  
31 in this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue  
32 until the amount in the fund at the end of the biennium exceeds two times the  
33 amount of the appropriation from the committee's fund for the preceding fiscal  
34 year or, if the committee requires by rule renewal less frequently than yearly  
35 then three times the appropriation from the committee's fund for the preceding  
36 fiscal year. The amount, if any, in the fund which shall lapse is that amount in



37 the fund which exceeds the appropriate multiple of the appropriations from the  
38 committee's fund for the preceding fiscal year.

39 6. The committee shall hold public examinations at least two times per  
40 year, at such times and places as may be fixed by the committee, notice of such  
41 examinations to be given to each applicant at least ten days prior thereto.

337.510. 1. Each applicant for licensure as a professional counselor shall  
2 furnish evidence to the committee that the applicant is at least eighteen years of  
3 age, is of good moral character, is a United States citizen or is legally present in  
4 the United States; and

5 (1) The applicant has completed a course of study as defined by the board  
6 rule leading to a master's, specialist's, or doctoral degree with a major in  
7 counseling, except any applicant who has held a license as a professional  
8 counselor in this state or currently holds a license as a professional counselor in  
9 another state shall not be required to have completed any courses related to  
10 career development; and

11 (2) The applicant has completed acceptable supervised counseling as  
12 defined by board rule. If the applicant has a master's degree with a major in  
13 counseling as defined by board rule, the applicant shall complete at least two  
14 years of acceptable supervised counseling experience subsequent to the receipt of  
15 the master's degree. The composition and number of hours comprising the  
16 acceptable supervised counseling experience shall be defined by board rule. An  
17 applicant may substitute thirty semester hours of post master's graduate study  
18 for one of the two required years of acceptable supervised counseling experience  
19 if such hours are clearly related to counseling;

20 (3) After August 28, 2007, each applicant shall have completed a  
21 minimum of three hours of graduate level coursework in diagnostic systems either  
22 in the curriculum leading to a degree or as post master's graduate level course  
23 work;

24 (4) Upon examination, the applicant is possessed of requisite knowledge  
25 of the profession, including techniques and applications, research and its  
26 interpretation, and professional affairs and ethics.

27 2. Any person holding a current license, certificate of registration, or  
28 permit from another state or territory of the United States to practice as a  
29 professional counselor who does not meet the requirements in section 324.009 and  
30 who is at least eighteen years of age, is of good moral character, and is a United  
31 States citizen or is legally present in the United States may be granted a license

32 without examination to engage in the practice of professional counseling in this  
33 state upon the application to the board, payment of the required fee as  
34 established by the board, and satisfying one of the following requirements:

35 (1) Approval by the American Association of State Counseling Boards  
36 (AASCB) or its successor organization according to the eligibility criteria  
37 established by AASCB. The successor organization shall be defined by board  
38 rule; or

39 (2) In good standing and currently certified by the National Board for  
40 Certified Counselors or its successor organization and has completed acceptable  
41 supervised counseling experience as defined by board rule. The successor  
42 organization shall be defined by board rule.

43 3. The committee shall issue a license to each person who files an  
44 application and fee and who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the committee that  
45 the applicant has complied with the provisions of this act and has taken and  
46 passed a written, open-book examination on Missouri laws and regulations  
47 governing the practice of professional counseling as defined in section  
48 337.500. The division shall issue a provisional professional counselor license to  
49 any applicant who meets all requirements of this section, but who has not  
50 completed the required acceptable supervised counseling experience and such  
51 applicant may reapply for licensure as a professional counselor upon completion  
52 of such acceptable supervised counseling experience.

53 4. All persons licensed to practice professional counseling in this state  
54 shall pay on or before the license renewal date a renewal license fee and shall  
55 furnish to the committee satisfactory evidence of the completion of the requisite  
56 number of hours of continuing education as required by rule, including two hours  
57 of suicide assessment, referral, treatment, and management training **and two**  
58 **hours of cultural competency training as defined in section 324.037,**  
59 which shall be no more than forty hours biennially. The continuing education  
60 requirements may be waived by the committee upon presentation to the  
61 committee of satisfactory evidence of the illness of the licensee or for other good  
62 cause.

337.515. 1. Each license issued pursuant to the provisions of sections  
2 337.500 to 337.540 shall expire on the renewal date. The division shall renew  
3 any license upon application for renewal and upon payment of the fee established  
4 by the committee pursuant to the provisions of section 337.507.

5 **2. Any professional counselor wishing to renew his or her license**

6 **shall complete two hours of cultural competency training as defined in**  
7 **section 324.037 that meets guidelines developed by the committee.**

337.612. 1. Applications for licensure as a clinical social worker,  
2 baccalaureate social worker, advanced macro social worker or master social  
3 worker shall be in writing, submitted to the committee on forms prescribed by the  
4 committee and furnished to the applicant. The form shall include a statement  
5 that the applicant has completed two hours of suicide assessment, referral,  
6 treatment, and management training **and two hours of cultural competency**  
7 **training as defined in section 324.037.** The application shall contain the  
8 applicant's statements showing the applicant's education, experience, and such  
9 other information as the committee may require. Each application shall contain  
10 a statement that it is made under oath or affirmation and that the information  
11 contained therein is true and correct to the best knowledge and belief of the  
12 applicant, subject to the penalties provided for the making of a false affidavit or  
13 declaration. Each application shall be accompanied by the fees required by the  
14 committee.

15 2. The committee shall mail a renewal notice to the last known address  
16 of each licensee prior to the licensure renewal date. Failure to provide the  
17 committee with the information required for licensure, or to pay the licensure fee  
18 after such notice shall result in the expiration of the license. The license shall  
19 be restored if, within two years of the licensure date, the applicant provides  
20 written application and the payment of the licensure fee and a delinquency fee.

21 3. A new certificate to replace any certificate lost, destroyed or mutilated  
22 may be issued subject to the rules of the committee, upon payment of a fee.

23 4. The committee shall set the amount of the fees which sections 337.600  
24 to 337.689 authorize and require by rules and regulations promulgated pursuant  
25 to section 536.021. The fees shall be set at a level to produce revenue which shall  
26 not substantially exceed the cost and expense of administering the provisions of  
27 sections 337.600 to 337.689. All fees provided for in sections 337.600 to 337.689  
28 shall be collected by the director who shall deposit the same with the state  
29 treasurer in a fund to be known as the "Clinical Social Workers Fund". After  
30 August 28, 2007, the clinical social workers fund shall be called the "Licensed  
31 Social Workers Fund" and after such date all references in state law to the  
32 clinical social workers fund shall be considered references to the licensed social  
33 workers fund.

34 5. The provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary notwithstanding, money

35 in this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue  
36 until the amount in the fund at the end of the biennium exceeds two times the  
37 amount of the appropriations from the licensed social workers fund for the  
38 preceding fiscal year or, if the committee requires by rule renewal less frequently  
39 than yearly, then three times the appropriation from the committee's fund for the  
40 preceding fiscal year. The amount, if any, in the fund which shall lapse is that  
41 amount in the fund which exceeds the appropriate multiple of the appropriations  
42 from the clinical social workers fund for the preceding fiscal year.

337.615. 1. Each applicant for licensure as a clinical social worker shall  
2 furnish evidence to the committee that:

3 (1) The applicant has a master's degree from a college or university  
4 program of social work accredited by the council of social work education or a  
5 doctorate degree from a school of social work acceptable to the committee;

6 (2) The applicant has completed at least three thousand hours of  
7 supervised clinical experience with a qualified clinical supervisor, as defined in  
8 section 337.600, in no less than twenty-four months and no more than forty-eight  
9 consecutive calendar months. For any applicant who has successfully completed  
10 at least four thousand hours of supervised clinical experience with a qualified  
11 clinical supervisor, as defined in section 337.600, within the same time frame  
12 prescribed in this subsection, the applicant shall be eligible for application of  
13 licensure at three thousand hours and shall be furnished a certificate by the state  
14 committee for social workers acknowledging the completion of said additional  
15 hours;

16 (3) The applicant has achieved a passing score, as defined by the  
17 committee, on an examination approved by the committee. The eligibility  
18 requirements for such examination shall be promulgated by rule of the committee;

19 (4) **The applicant has completed two hours of cultural**  
20 **competency training as defined in section 324.037 that meets the**  
21 **guidelines developed by the committee; and**

22 (5) The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is of good moral  
23 character, is a United States citizen or has status as a legal resident alien, and  
24 has not been convicted of a felony during the ten years immediately prior to  
25 application for licensure.

26 2. Any person holding a current license, certificate of registration, or  
27 permit from another state or territory of the United States or the District of  
28 Columbia to practice clinical social work who does not meet the requirements of

29 section 324.009 and who has had no disciplinary action taken against the license,  
30 certificate of registration, or permit for the preceding five years may be granted  
31 a license to practice clinical social work in this state if the person has received  
32 a masters or doctoral degree from a college or university program of social work  
33 accredited by the council of social work education and has been licensed to  
34 practice clinical social work for the preceding five years.

35 3. The committee shall issue a license to each person who files an  
36 application and fee as required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689  
37 and who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the committee that the applicant has  
38 complied with the provisions of subdivisions (1) to (4) of subsection 1 of this  
39 section or with the provisions of subsection 2 of this section.

337.618. Each license issued pursuant to the provisions of sections  
2 337.600 to 337.689 shall expire on a renewal date established by the  
3 director. The term of licensure shall be twenty-four months. The committee shall  
4 require a minimum number of thirty clock hours of continuing education for  
5 renewal of a license issued pursuant to sections 337.600 to 337.689, including two  
6 hours of suicide assessment, referral, treatment, and management training **and**  
7 **two hours of cultural competency training as defined in section**  
8 **324.037**. The committee shall renew any license upon application for a renewal,  
9 completion of the required continuing education hours and upon payment of the  
10 fee established by the committee pursuant to the provisions of section 337.612.  
11 As provided by rule, the board may waive or extend the time requirements for  
12 completion of continuing education for reasons related to health, military service,  
13 foreign residency, or for other good cause. All requests for waivers or extensions  
14 of time shall be made in writing and submitted to the board before the renewal  
15 date.

337.662. 1. Applications for licensure as a baccalaureate social worker  
2 shall be in writing, submitted to the committee on forms prescribed by the  
3 committee and furnished to the applicant. The form shall include a statement  
4 that the applicant has completed two hours of suicide assessment, referral,  
5 treatment, and management training, **and two hours of cultural competency**  
6 **training as defined in section 324.037, and as required in this**  
7 **subsection**. The application shall contain the applicant's statements showing  
8 the applicant's education, experience and such other information as the  
9 committee may require. Each application shall contain a statement that it is  
10 made under oath or affirmation and that the information contained therein is

11 true and correct to the best knowledge and belief of the applicant, subject to the  
12 penalties provided for the making of a false affidavit or declaration. Each  
13 application shall be accompanied by the fees required by the committee. **In**  
14 **addition to the requirements for licensure under this subsection, the**  
15 **applicant shall complete two hours of cultural competency training that**  
16 **meets guidelines developed by the committee in order to obtain a**  
17 **license under this section.**

18         2. The committee shall mail a renewal notice to the last known address  
19 of each licensee prior to the licensure renewal date. **To renew a license, the**  
20 **licensee shall complete two hours of cultural competency training that**  
21 **meets the guidelines developed by the committee.** Failure to provide the  
22 committee with the information required for licensure as provided in subsection  
23 1 of this section, or to pay the licensure fee after such notice shall result in the  
24 expiration of the license. The license shall be restored if, within two years of the  
25 licensure date, the applicant provides written application and the payment of the  
26 licensure fee and a delinquency fee.

27         3. A new certificate to replace any certificate lost, destroyed or mutilated  
28 may be issued subject to the rules of the committee, upon payment of a fee.

29         4. The committee shall set the amount of the fees which sections 337.650  
30 to 337.689 authorize and require by rules and regulations promulgated pursuant  
31 to chapter 536. The fees shall be set at a level to produce revenue which shall  
32 not substantially exceed the cost and expense of administering the provisions of  
33 sections 337.650 to 337.689. All fees provided for in sections 337.650 to 337.689  
34 shall be collected by the director who shall deposit the same with the state  
35 treasurer in the clinical social workers fund established in section 337.612.

337.712. 1. Applications for licensure as a marital and family therapist  
2 shall be in writing, submitted to the committee on forms prescribed by the  
3 committee and furnished to the applicant. **The form shall include a**  
4 **statement that the applicant has completed two hours of cultural**  
5 **competency training as defined in section 324.037.** The application shall  
6 contain the applicant's statements showing the applicant's education, experience  
7 and such other information as the committee may require. Each application shall  
8 contain a statement that it is made under oath or affirmation and that the  
9 information contained therein is true and correct to the best knowledge and belief  
10 of the applicant, subject to the penalties provided for the making of a false  
11 affidavit or declaration. Each application shall be accompanied by the fees

12 required by the division.

13         2. The division shall mail a renewal notice to the last known address of  
14 each licensee prior to the licensure renewal date. Failure to provide the division  
15 with the information required for licensure, or to pay the licensure fee after such  
16 notice shall result in the expiration of the license. The license shall be restored  
17 if, within two years of the licensure date, the applicant provides written  
18 application and the payment of the licensure fee and a delinquency fee.

19         3. A new certificate to replace any certificate lost, destroyed or mutilated  
20 may be issued subject to the rules of the division upon payment of a fee.

21         4. The committee shall set the amount of the fees authorized. The fees  
22 shall be set at a level to produce revenue which shall not substantially exceed the  
23 cost and expense of administering the provisions of sections 337.700 to 337.739.  
24 All fees provided for in sections 337.700 to 337.739 shall be collected by the  
25 director who shall deposit the same with the state treasurer to a fund to be  
26 known as the "Marital and Family Therapists' Fund".

27         5. The provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary notwithstanding, money  
28 in this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue  
29 until the amount in the fund at the end of the biennium exceeds two times the  
30 amount of the appropriations from the marital and family therapists' fund for the  
31 preceding fiscal year or, if the division requires by rule renewal less frequently  
32 than yearly then three times the appropriation from the fund for the preceding  
33 fiscal year. The amount, if any, in the fund which shall lapse is that amount in  
34 the fund which exceeds the appropriate multiple of the appropriations from the  
35 marital and family therapists' fund for the preceding fiscal year.

337.715. 1. Each applicant for licensure or provisional licensure as a  
2 marital and family therapist shall furnish evidence to the committee that:

3         (1) The applicant has a master's degree or a doctoral degree in marital  
4 and family therapy from a program accredited by the Commission on  
5 Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education, or its equivalent as  
6 defined by committee regulation, from an educational institution accredited by a  
7 regional accrediting body that is recognized by the United States Department of  
8 Education;

9         (2) The applicant for licensure as a marital and family therapist has  
10 twenty-four months of postgraduate supervised clinical experience acceptable to  
11 the committee, as the state committee determines by rule;

12         (3) After August 28, 2008, the applicant shall have completed a minimum

13 of three semester hours of graduate-level course work in diagnostic systems either  
14 within the curriculum leading to a degree as defined in subdivision (1) of this  
15 subsection or as post-master's graduate-level course work. Each applicant shall  
16 demonstrate supervision of diagnosis as a core component of the postgraduate  
17 supervised clinical experience as defined in subdivision (2) of this subsection;

18 (4) Upon examination, the applicant is possessed of requisite knowledge  
19 of the profession, including techniques and applications research and its  
20 interpretation and professional affairs and ethics;

21 (5) The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is of good moral  
22 character, is a United States citizen or has status as a legal resident alien, and  
23 has not been convicted of a felony during the ten years immediately prior to  
24 application for licensure; and

25 **(6) The applicant has completed two hours of cultural**  
26 **competency training as defined in section 324.037 that meets guidelines**  
27 **developed by the committee.**

28 2. Any person otherwise qualified for licensure holding a current license,  
29 certificate of registration, or permit from another state or territory of the United  
30 States or the District of Columbia to practice marriage and family therapy may  
31 be granted a license without examination to engage in the practice of marital and  
32 family therapy in this state upon application to the state committee, payment of  
33 the required fee as established by the state committee, and satisfaction of the  
34 following:

35 (1) Determination by the state committee that the requirements of the  
36 other state or territory are substantially the same as Missouri;

37 (2) Verification by the applicant's licensing entity that the applicant has  
38 a current license; and

39 (3) Consent by the applicant to examination of any disciplinary history in  
40 any state.

41 3. The state committee shall issue a license to each person who files an  
42 application and fee as required by the provisions of sections 337.700 to 337.739.

337.718. 1. Each license issued pursuant to the provisions of sections  
2 337.700 to 337.739 shall expire on a renewal date established by the  
3 director. The term of licensure shall be twenty-four months; however, the director  
4 may establish a shorter term for the first licenses issued pursuant to sections  
5 337.700 to 337.739. The division shall renew any license upon application for a  
6 renewal and upon payment of the fee established by the division pursuant to the



7 provisions of section 337.712. Effective August 28, 2008, as a prerequisite for  
8 renewal, each licensed marital and family therapist shall furnish to the  
9 committee satisfactory evidence of the completion of the requisite number of  
10 hours of continuing education as defined by rule, which shall be no more than  
11 forty contact hours biennially. At least two hours of continuing education shall  
12 be in suicide assessment, referral, treatment, and management training **and at**  
13 **least two hours of continuing education shall be in cultural competency**  
14 **training as defined in section 324.037.** The continuing education  
15 requirements may be waived by the committee upon presentation to the  
16 committee of satisfactory evidence of illness or for other good cause.

17 2. The committee may issue temporary permits to practice under  
18 extenuating circumstances as determined by the committee and defined by rule.

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