

HB 271-FN - AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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HOUSE BILL

271-FN

AN ACT relative to initial license requirements for licensed social work associates.

SPONSORS: Rep. Schmidt, Straf. 14

COMMITTEE: Executive Departments and Administration

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill changes the national proctored examination requirement for initial licensure for licensed social work associates to a uniform competence assessment examination of social work knowledge, skills, and abilities approved by the New Hampshire board of mental health practice.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Five

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Licensed Social Work Associate: Initial License. Amend RSA 330-A:18-c, I(a)(5) to read as
2 follows:

3 (5) Pass a [~~national proctored examination approved by the board~~] ***uniform***
4 ***competence assessment examination of social work knowledge, skills, and abilities***
5 ***approved by the New Hampshire board of mental health practice.***

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9 ***competence assessment examination of social work knowledge, skills, and abilities***
10 ***approved by the New Hampshire board of mental health practice.***

11 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

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HB 271-FN- FISCAL NOTE
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FISCAL IMPACT:

The Legislative Budget Assistant has determined that this legislation has a total fiscal impact of less than \$10,000 in each of the fiscal years 2025 through 2028.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

Office of Professional Licensure and Certification