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MINUTES OF THE SENATE CO	MMITTEE ON PUBLIC I	HEALTH AND WELFARE	•
The meeting was called to order by	SENATOR ROY M. EHRI	LICH Chairperson	at
10:00 a.m./pxm. on April	1	, 19 in room526-S	_ of the Capitol.
All members were present except:			

Committee staff present:

Emalene Correll, Legislative Research Bill Wolff, Legislative Research Norman Furse, Revisor's Office Jo Ann Bunten, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Chariman Ehrlich called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and announced minutes for March 25, 26, 27 and 28, 1991, were distributed to committee for review. Memo from Staff Correll on information regarding HB 2018 and HB 2019 was also distributed to committee members.

HB 2017 - Registration of marriage and family therapists.

Staff Furse explained balloon of HB 2017 with proposed amendments. The Kansas Psychological Association recommended deletion of language on page 1, line 29, "cognitive, affective or behavioral problems within the context of", and on line 36, "or a marriage and family therapist," and insertion of "registered masters level psychologist" in two of the amendatory sections that were amended into the bill by the House Committee of the Whole. Staff Furse stated their language would not be consistent with the other subject matter related to registration of marriage and family therapists and could create a title problem with the bill. Kansas Association of Marriage and Family Therapists proposed an amendment on page 2, line 5, regarding change in terms in the way educational requirements were set up. The proposed amendment from Stuart Frager was designed to insure that the House Committee amendment does not deter long time professionals who are otherwise qualified from qualifying under the act (grandfathering). The proposed amendment from the Kansas-Nebraska Convention of Southern Baptists and Topeka Rescue Mission would insert language on page 4, line 3, "or organized ministry."

(Attachment 1) Staff Wolff explained the proposed amendment regarding educational requirements of registrants as referred to on page 2, line 5, of the bill. He stated the Frager amendment would address the grandfathering issue and not change anything else.

The Chairman asked for wishes of the committee on HB 2017. Senator Hayden moved to adopt the Frager amendment, and the KAMFT amendment not be adopted. Senator Salisbury seconded the motion. The motion carried. Educational requirements to be decided by the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board was discussed by Senator Salisbury, and Senator Walker stated the Board could always come back to the legislature and advise what needed to be done. Senator Hayden made the motion to withdraw and reconsider action of his previous motion. The motion was seconded by Senator Anderson. The motion carried. Senator Hayden made the motion to adopt the Frager amendment and exempt all amendments by KAMFT. The motion was seconded by Senator Anderson. Staff Furse explained with that motion, all language preceding line 18, page 1 of the bill would stay currently as is. The motion carried. Senator Salisbury made the motion to insert the comma and "or organized ministry", on page 4, line 3, of the bill. Senator Langworthy seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion carried.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE room 526-S, Statehouse, at 10:00 a.m./\$\frac{1}{2}\text{n. on April 1} \tag{April 1}

Staff Wolff explained the amendment on page 1, line 36, striking "or a marriage and family therapist." He explained the bill came from the House with two titles protected: (1) registered marriage and family therapist and (2) marriage and family therapist. Kansas Psychological Association asked that particular language be deleted. Persons who practice marriage and family therapy could advertise they do marriage and family therapy, but could not call themselves registered marriage and family therapists. The title "marriage and family therapist" is protected under this act. If the committee wants other groups to advertise they practice marriage and family therapy, it should be stated in the bill that nothing in the act prohibits other people from performing that service, since the service isn't protected, only the title, and confusion would be avoided by the registrants. Staff Wolff again stated if the language on page 1, line 36, "or a marriage and family therapist" remains in the bill, two titles are protected. If that language was taken out, only one title is protected. Senator Salisbury made the motion the language on page 1, line 36, "or a marriage and family therapist" be deleted. The motion was seconded by Senator Anderson. Senator Walker stated he opposed the motion and wanted the language left in the bill for consumer protection and clarification. After discussion regarding language in the House Committee minutes, Senator Burke made a substitute motion to pass the bill as amended favorably for passage, seconded by Senator Vidricksen. No

HB 2018 - Changes in funding for local health departments.

Staff Furse explained proposed technical amendments to the bill on page 2, line 23, and on line 36 insertion of "county" and language regarding financial assistance. The Department of Health and Environment requested amendments on page 2, regarding local tax revenues. Senator Walker made the motion to adopt the amendments as requested by the Department of Health and Environment, seconded by Senator Hayden. Discussion followed regarding reduction of local tax revenues. Staff Correll made reference to page 5, paragraph (a) of the bill, "Moneys available under this act for financial assistance to local health departments shall not be substituted for or used to reduce or eliminate moneys available to local health departments from the federal government or substituted for or used to reduce or eliminate moneys available from local tax revenues." The Department of Health and Environment interpreted this language to say if local tax money is not raised this year as last year, they would reduce funds. The Department of Health and Environment does not have authority to do that, and it hinges on the interpretation of current law. The House Committee added subsection (b), on page 5 of the bill that the legislature's intent is that state money be distributed regardless whether or not the local effort, in terms of tax revenues, is equal to revenues raised the previous year. It was also pointed out thirty-two counties did not have as much local revenue in their budget as the previous year, and there were fourteen counties this year in that situation. Senator Walker withdrew his motion based on the information received regarding local tax revenue received by local health departments. Chairman Ehrlich announced a balloon of HB 2018 showing proposed amendments would be distributed to the committee for further discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at ll:04 a.m.

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As Amended by House Committee

Session of 1991

HOUSE BILL No. 2017

By Special Committee on Public Health and Welfare

Re Proposal No. 30

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AN ACT providing for the registration of registered marriage and family therapists; granting powers to and imposing certain duties upon the behavioral sciences regulatory board; declaring certain acts to be unlawful and providing penalties for violations; amending K.S.A. 1990 Supp. [38-1522 and] [38-1514 and] 74-7507 and repealing the existing section [sections].

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. Sections 1 through 12, and amendments thereto, shall be known and may be cited as the marriage and family therapists registration act.

New Sec. 2. As used in the marriage and family therapists registration act:

- (a) "Board" means the behavioral sciences regulatory board created under K.S.A. 74-7501 and amendments thereto.
- (b) "Marriage and family therapy" means the assessment and treatment of cognitive, affective or behavioral problems within the context of marital and family systems.
- (c) "Registered marriage and family therapist" means a person who engages in the practice of marriage and family therapy and is registered under this act.
- New Sec. 3. (a) On and after July 1, 1992, no person shall represent that such person is a registered marriage and family therapist or a marriage and family therapist without having first obtained a registration as a registered marriage and family therapist under the marriage and family therapist registration act.
 - (b) Violation of this section is a class B misdemeanor.

New Sec. 4. (a) An applicant for registration as a registered marriage and family therapist shall furnish evidence that the applicant:

- (1) Has attained the age of majority;
- (2) has at least 500 client contact hours of supervised postgraduate

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Note: Suggestion of Kan.Psy.Assn. of insertion of "registered masters level psychologist" on page 5, in line 8 and on page 7, in line 38, would not be consistent with the title of the bill (one subject).

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experience in marriage and family therapy satisfactory to the board; (3) (A) has completed a master's or doctoral degree from a marriage and family therapy program, in an educational institution with standards consistent with those of the state universities of Kansas, approved by the board; or (B) has completed a master's or doctoral degree from an educational institution in a related field for which the course work is considered by the board to be equivalent to that provided in clause (3)(A) of this paragraph and consists of a minimum of nine semester hours in human development, nine semester hours in-theories of marriage and family functioning, nine semester hours of-marital-and-family assessment and therapy, three semester hours in professional studies and three-semester hours in research; or (C)completed a master's or doctoral degree from an educational institution in a related field with additional work from an educational program in marriage and family therapy approved by the board and such-degree-program and additional work-includes the course work requirements provided in clause (3)(B) of this paragraph; and

(4) has passed an examination approved by the board.

(b) Each applicant shall pay an application fee and examination fee established by the board under section 11.

New Sec. 5. Prior to July 1, 1993, a registration shall be issued to an applicant without examination if the board is satisfied that the applicant meets the requirements of paragraphs (1) to (3), inclusive, of subsection (a) of section 4

New Sec. 6. The board shall issue a registration to an individual who is currently registered, certified or licensed to practice marriage and family therapy in another jurisdiction if the board determines that the standards for registration, certification or licensure to practice marriage and family therapy in the other jurisdiction are at least equivalent to or exceed the requirements of the marriage and family therapists registration act and rules and regulations of the board. An applicant for a registration under this section shall pay an application fee established by the board under section 11.

New Sec. 7. (a) An applicant who meets the requirements for registration pursuant to this act, has paid the registration fee provided for by section 11 and has otherwise complied with the provisions of this act shall be registered by the board.

(b) Registrations issued pursuant to this act shall expire 24 months from the date of issuance unless revoked prior to that time. A registration may be renewed upon application and payment of the fee provided for by section 11. The application for renewal shall be accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has completed during the previous 24 months the continuing edu-

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and which consists of a minimum of nine semester hours in human development, nine semester hours in theories of marriage and family functioning, nine semester hours of marital and family assessment and therapy, three semester hours of professional studies and three semester hours in here i research

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and amendments thereto or if the board is satisfied that the applicant has completed a master's or doctoral degree in a related field and has practiced marriage and family therapy continuously for five years immediately prior to application for registration under this act

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(c) A person whose registration has been suspended or revoked may make written application to the board requesting reinstatement of the registration upon termination of the period of suspension or revocation in a manner prescribed by the board, which application shall be accompanied by the fee provided for by section 11.

New Sec. 8. The board may refuse to grant registration to, or may suspend, revoke, condition, limit, qualify or restrict the registration of any individual who the board, after a hearing, determines:

- (1) Is incompetent to practice marriage and family therapy, or is found to engage in the practice of marriage and family therapy in a manner harmful or dangerous to a client or to the public;
- (2) is convicted by a court of competent jurisdiction of a crime that the board determines is of a nature to render the convicted person unfit to practice marriage and family therapy;
- (3) has violated a provision of the marriage and family therapists registration act or one or more of the rules and regulations of the board:
- (4) has obtained or attempted to obtain a registration or registration renewal by bribery or fraudulent representation;
- (5) has knowingly made a false statement on a form required by the board for registration or registration renewal;
- (6) has failed to obtain continuing education credits required by rules and regulations of the board;
- (7) has been found guilty of unprofessional conduct as defined by rules and regulations established by the board; or
- (8) has had a registration, license or certificate as a marriage and family therapist revoked, suspended or limited, or has had other disciplinary action taken, or an application for registration, license or certificate denied, by the proper regulatory authority of another state, territory, District of Columbia or another country, a certified copy of the record of the action of the other jurisdiction being conclusive evidence thereof.
- New Sec. 9. (a) Nothing in the marriage and family therapists registration act shall be construed to prevent marriage and family therapy practice by students or interns or individuals preparing for the practice of marriage and family therapy to practice under qualified supervision of a professional, recognized and approved by the board, in an educational institution or agency so long as they are designated by titles such as "student," "trainee," "intern" or other titles clearly indicating training status.
- (b) Nothing in this act shall be construed to authorize the practice of psychology, medicine and surgery, or licensed social work.

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(c) Nothing in the marriage and family therapists registration act shall be construed to apply to the activities and services of a rabbi, priest, minister or clergy person of any religious denomination or sect unless such person is a registered marriage and family therapist.

New Sec. 10. A person registered under the marriage and family therapists registration act and employees and professional associates of the person shall not be required to disclose any information that the person, employee or associate may have acquired in rendering marriage and family therapy services, unless:

- (a) Disclosure is required by other state laws;
- (b) failure to disclose the information presents a clear and present danger to the health or safety of an individual;
- (c) the person, employee or associate is a party defendant to a civil, criminal or disciplinary action arising from the therapy, in which case a waiver of the privilege accorded by this section is limited to that action;
- (d) the patient is a defendant in a criminal proceeding and the use of the privilege would violate the defendant's right to a compulsory process or the right to present testimony and witnesses in that persons behalf; and
- (e) a patient agrees to a waiver of the privilege accorded by this section, and in circumstances where more than one person in a family is receiving therapy, each such family member agrees to the waiver. Absent a waiver from each family member, a marriage and family therapist shall not disclose information received by a family member.

New Sec. 11. (a) The board shall fix by rules and regulations and shall collect the following fees:

- (1) For application for registration, not to exceed \$150;
- (2) for examination, not to exceed \$150;
- (3) for renewal of a registration, not to exceed \$150;
- (4) for reinstatement of a registration, not to exceed \$150;
- (5) for replacement of a registration, not to exceed \$20; and
- (6) for late charges, not to exceed \$5 for each 30 days of delay beyond the date the renewal application was to be made.
 - (b) Fees paid to the board are not refundable.

New Sec. 12. Proceedings under the marriage and family therapists registration act shall be conducted in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act. Judicial review and civil enforcement of agency actions under the marriage and family therapists registration act shall be in accordance with the act for judicial review and civil enforcement of agency actions.

[Sec. 13. K.S.A. 1990 Supp. 38-1522 is hereby amended to

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read as follows: 38-1522.(a) When any of the following persons has reason to suspect that a child has been injured as a result of physical, mental or emotional abuse or neglect or sexual abuse, the person shall report the matter promptly as provided in subsection (c) or (e): Persons licensed to practice the healing arts or dentistry; persons licensed to practice optometry; persons engaged in postgraduate training programs approved by the state board of healing arts; licensed psychologists; licensed professional or practical nurses examining, attending or treating a child under the age of 18; teachers, school administrators or other employees of a school which the child is attending; chief administrative officers of medical care facilities: registered marriage and family therapists; persons licensed by the secretary of health and environment to provide child care services or the employees of persons so licensed at the place where the child care services are being provided to the child; licensed social workers; firefighters; emergency medical services personnel; mediators appointed under K.S.A. 23-602 and amendments thereto; and law enforcement officers. The report may be made orally and shall be followed by a written report if requested. When the suspicion is the result of medical examination or treatment of a child by a member of the staff of a medical care facility or similar institution, that staff member shall immediately notify the superintendent, manager or other person in charge of the institution who shall make a written report forthwith. Every written report shall contain, if known, the names and addresses of the child and the child's parents or other persons responsible for the child's care, the child's age, the nature and extent of the child's injury (including any evidence of previous injuries) and any other information that the maker of the report believes might be helpful in establishing the cause of the injuries and the identity of the persons responsible for the injuries.

- [(b) Any other person who has reason to suspect that a child has been injured as a result of physical, mental or emotional abuse or neglect or sexual abuse may report the matter as provided in subsection (c) or (e).
- [(c) Except as provided by subsection (e), reports made pursuant to this section shall be made to the state department of social and rehabilitation services. When the department is not open for business, the reports shall be made to the appropriate law enforcement agency. On the next day that the state department of social and rehabilitation services is open for business, the law enforcement agency shall report to the department any report received and any investigation initiated pursuant to subsection (a) of K.S.A. 38-1524

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and amendments thereto. The reports may be made orally or, on request of the department, in writing.

- [(d) Any person required by this section to report an injury to a child and who has reasonable cause to suspect that a child died from injuries resulting from physical, mental or emotional abuse or neglect or sexual abuse shall notify the coroner or appropriate law enforcement agency of that suspicion.
- [(e) Reports of child abuse or neglect occurring in an institution operated by the secretary shall be made to the attorney general. All other reports of child abuse or neglect by persons employed by or of children of persons employed by the state department of social and rehabilitation services shall be made to the appropriate law enforcement agency.
- [(f) Willful and knowing failure to make a report required by this section is a class B misdemeanor.
- [(g) Preventing or interfering with, with the intent to prevent, the making of a report required by this section is a class B misdemeanor.]
- [Sec. 14. K.S.A. 1990 Supp. 38-1514 is hereby amended to read as follows: 38-1514. (a) Of child. (1) Psychological or emotional. During proceedings under this code, the court, on its own motion or the motion of the guardian ad litem for the child, may order an evaluation and written report of the psychological or emotional development or needs of a child who is the subject of the proceedings. The court may refer the child to a state institution for the evaluation if the secretary advises the court that the facility is a suitable place to care for, treat or evaluate the child and that space is available. The expenses of transportation to and from the state facility may be paid as a part of the expenses of temporary care and custody. The child may be referred to a mental health center or qualified professional for evaluation and the expenses of the evaluation may be considered as expenses of the proceedings and assessed as provided in this code. If the court orders an evaluation as provided in this section, a parent of the child shall have the right to obtain an independent evaluation at the expense of the parent.
- [(2) Medical. During proceedings under this code, the court may order an examination and report of the medical condition and needs of a child who is the subject of the proceedings. The court may also order a report from any physician who has been attending the child stating the diagnosis, condition and treatment afforded the child.
- [(3) Educational. The court may order the chief administrative

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. officer of the school which the child attends or attended to provide to the court information that is readily available which the school officials believe would properly indicate the educational needs of the child. The order may direct that, if the resources of the school permit, the school conduct an educational needs assessment of the child and send a report of the assessment to the court. The educational needs assessment may include a meeting involving any of the following: The child's parents, the child's teachers, the school psychologist, a school special services representative, a representative of the secretary, the child's C.A.S.A., the child's foster parents or legal guardian, a court services officer, and other persons that the chief administrative officer of the school or the officer's designee considers appropriate.

- [(b) Of parent or custodian. (1) Physical, psychological or emotional. During proceedings under this code, the court may order an examination, evaluation and report of the physical, mental or emotional status or needs of a parent or any other relative being considered as one to whom the court may grant custody. Written reports and other materials relating to the examination and evaluation may be considered by the court but, if requested by any interested party in attendance, the court shall require the person preparing the report or other material to appear and testify.
- [(2) Parenting skills. At any dispositional hearing, the court may receive and consider written reports from any physician or qualified person concerning the parenting skills or ability to provide for the physical, mental or emotional needs and future development of a child by a parent or other relative being considered for custody. If requested by any interested party in attendance at the dispositional hearing, the court shall require the person preparing the report to appear and testify.
- [(c) Confidentiality of reports. (1) Reports of court ordered examination or evaluation. No confidential relationship of physician and patient, psychologist and client or social worker and client shall arise from an examination or evaluation ordered by the court.
- [(2) Report from private physician, psychologist or therapist. When any interested party to proceedings under this code wishes the court to have the benefit of information or opinion from a physician, psychologist, registered marriage and family therapist or social worker with whom there is a confidential relationship, the interested party may waive the confidential relationship but restrict the information to be furnished or testimony to be given to those matters material to the issues before the court. If requested, the court may make an in camera examination of the proposed witness

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or the file of the proposed witness and excise any matters that are not material to the issues before the court.]

Sec. 13 [15]. K.S.A. 1990 Supp. 74-7507 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-7507. The behavioral sciences regulatory board shall have the following powers, duties and functions for the purpose of administering this act, the licensure of psychologists act of the state of Kansas, the professional counselors registration act and K.S.A. 75-5346 to 75-5362, inclusive, and amendments thereto:

- (a) Recommend to the appropriate district or county attorneys prosecution for violations of this act, the licensure of psychologists act of the state of Kansas, the professional counselors registration act ex, K.S.A. 75-5346 to 75-5362 65-6301 to 65-6318, inclusive, and amendments thereto or the marriage and family therapists registration act;
- (b) compile and publish annually a list of the names and addresses of all persons who are licensed under this act, are licensed under the licensure of psychologists act of the state of Kansas, are registered under the professional counselors registration act of, are licensed under K.S.A. 75-5346 to 75-5362 65-6301 to 65-6318, inclusive, and amendments thereto or registered under the marriage and family therapists registration act;
- (c) prescribe the form and contents of examinations required under this act, the licensure of psychologists act of the state of Kansas, the professional counselors registration act or, K.S.A. 75-5346 to 75-5362 65-6301 to 65-6318, inclusive, and amendments thereto or the marriage and family therapists registration act;
- (d) enter into contracts necessary to administer this act, the licensure of psychologists act of the state of Kansas, the professional counselors registration act er, K.S.A. 75-5346 to 75-5362 65-6301 to 65-6318, inclusive, and amendments thereto or the marriage and family therapists registration act;
 - (e) adopt an official seal;
- (f) adopt and enforce rules and regulations for professional conduct of persons licensed under the licensure of psychologists act of the state of Kansas, registered under the professional counselors registration act or, licensed under K.S.A. 75-5346 to 75-5362 65-6301 to 65-6318, inclusive, and amendments thereto or registered under the marriage and family therapists registration act;
- (g) adopt and enforce rules and regulations establishing requirements for the continuing education of persons licensed under the licensure of psychologists act of the state of Kansas, registered under the professional counselors registration act or licensed under K.S.A.

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- 75-5346 to 75-5362 65-6301 to 65-6318, inclusive, and amendments thereto;
- (h) adopt rules and regulations establishing classes of social work specialties which will be recognized for licensure under K.S.A. 75-5346 to 75-5362 65-6301 to 65-6318, inclusive, and amendments thereto;
- (i) adopt rules and regulations establishing procedures for examination of candidates for licensure under the licensure of psychologists act of the state of Kansas, for registration under the professional counselors registration act and, for licensure under K.S.A. 75-5346 to 75-5362 65-6301 to 65-6318, inclusive, and amendments thereto, registered under the marriage and family therapists registration act and for issuance of such certificates and such licenses;
- (j) adopt such other rules and regulations as may be necessary for the administration of this act, the licensure of psychologists act of the state of Kansas, the professional counselors registration act and, K.S.A. 75-5346 to 75-5362 65-6301 to 65-6318, inclusive, and amendments thereto, and the marriage and family therapists registration act and to carry out the purposes thereof;
- (k) appoint an executive secretary director and other employees as provided in K.S.A. 74-7501 and amendments thereto; and
- (l) exercise such other powers and perform such other functions and duties as may be prescribed by law.
- Sec. 14 [16]. K.S.A. 1990 Supp. [38-1522 and] [38-1514 and] 74-7507 is [are] hereby repealed.
- Sec. 15 [17]. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

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