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By Representative Rule

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1 On page 11, beginning on line 10, beginning with "((of strike all 2 material through "hours" on line 11 and insert "of 36 hours, with six" 3 4 On page 11, beginning on line 39, beginning with "((off strike all ⁵ material through "hours" on line 40 and insert "of 36 hours, with six" 6 7 On page 13, beginning on line 2, beginning with "((off strike all material through "hours" on line 3 and insert "of 36 hours, with six" 8 9 10 On page 13, beginning on line 30, beginning with "((off strike all 11 material through "hours" on line 31 and insert "of 36 hours, with six" 12 13 On page 15, beginning on line 1, after "(6)(a)" strike all 14 material through "approved.))" on line 16 and insert "Except as 15 provided in (b) of this subsection, an associate license may be 16 renewed no more than six times, provided that the applicant for 17 renewal has successfully completed eighteen hours of continuing 18 education in the preceding year. Beginning with the second renewal, at 19 least six of the continuing education hours in the preceding two years 20 must be in professional ethics.

(b) If the secretary finds that a waiver to allow additional renewals is justified due to barriers to testing or training resulting from a governor-declared emergency, additional renewals may be approved.

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EFFECT: Restores minimum hour requirements for continuing education for mental health counselors, marriage and family therapists, and social workers. Removes the Secretary of Health's authority to adopt rules on continuing education for those professions.

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