

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
2 84th General Assembly
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2818

5 By: Representative Mahony
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS
10 BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COUNSELING; TO HONOR TWO
11 (2) ORGANIZATIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS; TO
12 PROVIDE THE GOVERNOR WITH AN EXPANDED LIST FROM
13 WHICH TO CHOOSE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD; AND FOR
14 OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

16 AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE
17 ARKANSAS BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN
18 COUNSELING.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-27-201(c), concerning the composition of
25 the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling, is amended to read as follows:

26 (c)(1) The composition of the board shall include:

27 (A)(i) Six (6) licensed or licensable counselors, three
28 (3) who are practicing counselors, and three (3) who are ~~counselor~~ counselors
29 or educators or supervisors, one (1) of the six (6) of whom shall also be a
30 licensed marriage and family therapist, if available.

31 (ii) These members shall be appointed from a list
32 submitted to the Governor not later than November 1 of each year by the
33 Executive Committee of the Arkansas Counseling Association and the Executive
34 Committee of Arkansas Mental Health Counselors Association;

35 (B)(i) One licensed marriage and family therapist.

36 (ii) This member shall be appointed from a list



1 submitted to the Governor not later than November 1 of each year by the Board
2 of Directors of the Arkansas Association for Marriage and Family Therapists;

3 (C)(i) One (1) member from the general public who is not
4 licensed or licensable and not actively engaged in or retired from the
5 profession of counseling who shall represent consumers.

6 (ii) This member shall be appointed from a list
7 submitted to the Governor not later than November 1 of each year by the
8 Executive Committee of the Arkansas Counseling Association and the Executive
9 Committee of Arkansas Mental Health Counselors Association; and

10 (D)(i) One (1) member who shall represent the elderly.

11 (ii) This member shall be sixty (60) years of age or
12 older and not actively engaged in or retired from the profession of
13 counseling.

14 (iii) He or she shall be appointed from the state at
15 large subject to confirmation by the Senate and shall be a full voting member
16 but shall not participate in the grading of examinations.

17 (2) The same person may not be both the consumer representative
18 and the representative of the elderly.

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20 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 17-27-201(e)(1), concerning vacancies on
21 the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling, is amended to read as follows:

22 (e)(1) Vacancies for the unexpired terms of the professional members
23 and the consumer member shall be filled by the Governor from candidates
24 submitted within thirty (30) days of the vacancy by the Executive Committee
25 of the Arkansas Counseling Association, the Executive Committee of Arkansas
26 Mental Health Counselors Association, and the Board of Directors of the
27 Arkansas Association for Marriage and Family Therapists.