

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to clarify licensure renewal for licensed counselors.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. That § 36-32-20 be amended to read as follows:

36-32-20. Any license issued by the board requires renewal by the last day of December of each year in the manner and upon the payment of a fee established by the board by rules promulgated pursuant to chapter 1-26. Any licensee failing to renew a license prior to January first may be required to pay a late fee as prescribed in rules promulgated by the board. Any license not renewed by July first is inactive.

Section 2. That § 36-32-24 be amended to read as follows:

36-32-24. Any licensed professional counselor or licensed professional counselor -- mental health who allows the license to become inactive may, within two years of the failure to renew, be returned to active status by paying the renewal fee for the current year, along with any applicable late fees. However, no inactive license may be restored unless the applicant meets all continuing education requirements.

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I certify that the attached Act originated in the

SENATE as Bill No. 53

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Secretary of the Senate

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President of the Senate

Attest:

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Secretary of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

Attest:

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Chief Clerk

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Received at this Executive Office this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,

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By \_\_\_\_\_  
for the Governor

The attached Act is hereby approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A.D., 20\_\_

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Governor

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,  
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Office of the Secretary of State

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