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AGENCY REPORT TO THE JOINT COMMITEE ON ADMNINISTRATIVE RULES (JCAR)

1. Agency Information

Agency name:

Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

Division/Bureau/Office:

Bureau of Professional Licensing

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2. Rule Set Information

MOAHR assigned rule set number:

2021-53 LR

Title of proposed rule set:

Social Work - General Rules

3. Purpose for the proposed rules and background:

The current social work general rules pertain to the licensure, relicensure, license renewal, and continuing education requirements for social workers and the registration, reregistration, and registration renewal for social service technicians.

The rules will be reviewed and amended as needed in light of the statutory change to MCL 333.16186, effective March 24, 2021. Additionally, all rules will be reviewed, updated, and revised as needed for clarity.

4. Summary of proposed rules:

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The amendments to the rules clarify definitions, update educational standards, and update the training standards for identifying victims of human trafficking. The amendments also clarify the requirements for registration, registration by endorsement, and reregistration and amend the registration by endorsement and reregistration rules to require an applicant to disclose each license, registration, or certification in a health profession or specialty issued by any other jurisdiction or entity and require the applicant to demonstrate that no disciplinary proceedings are currently pending and that any prior sanction has been satisfied. The amendments add the requirements for a Canadian-licensed applicant to apply for licensure by endorsement as a bachelor's or master's social worker, and they require an applicant for licensure by endorsement or relicensure as a bachelor's or master's social worker to disclose each license, registration, or certification in a health profession or specialty issued by any other jurisdiction or entity and require the applicant to demonstrate that no disciplinary proceedings are currently pending and that any prior sanction has been satisfied. Amendments have also been made to the requirements for relicensure as a bachelor's or master's social worker to reduce the number of hours of supervised work experience hours needed for those applicants whose license has been lapsed for more than 3 years but less than 7 years. The amendments also clarify the requirements for license renewal and the accumulation of continuing education credit hours.

5. List names of newspapers in which the notice of public hearing was published and publication dates:

The Flint Journal, January 10, 2022 The Grand Rapids Press, January 9, 2022 The Mining Journal, January 7, 2022

6. Date of publication of rules and notice of public hearing in Michigan Register:

1/15/2022

7. Date, time, and location of public hearing:

1/28/2022 09:00 AM at Conference Room UL 4, 611 W. Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48909

8. Provide the link the agency used to post the regulatory impact statement and cost-benefit analysis on its website:

https://ARS.apps.lara.state.mi.us/Transaction/RFRTransaction?TransactionID=1311

9. List of the name and title of agency representative(s) attending public hearing:

Kerry Przybylo, Manager, Boards and Committees Section, Bureau of Professional Licensing

10. Persons submitting comments of support:

None.

11. Persons submitting comments of opposition:

None.

12. Persons submitting other comments:

None.

13. Identify any changes made to the proposed rules based on comments received during the public comment period:

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			Comments	Agency Rationale for Rule Change and Description of Change(s) Made	
1	None.	None.		None.	None.

14.Date report completed:

2/15/2022