## Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Bureau of Professional Licensing Administrative Rules for Social Work – General Rules Rule Set 2021-53 LR

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Friday, January 28, 2022 09:00 AM

Conference Room UL 4 611 W. Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48909

The Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs will hold a public hearing to receive public comments on proposed changes to the Social Work – General Rules rule set.

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.

By the authority conferred on the Director of the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs by MCL 333.16145, 333.16148, 333.16287, 333.18516, and 333.18518, and Executive Reorganization Order Nos. 1991-9, 1996-2, 2003-1, and 2011-4, MCL 338.3501, 445.2001, 445.2011, and 445.2030.

The proposed rules will take effect immediately after filing with the Secretary of State. The proposed rules are published on the State of Michigan's website at www.michigan.gov/ARD and in the 1/15/2022 issue of the Michigan Register. Copies of these proposed rules may also be obtained by mail or electronic mail at the following email address: BPL-BoardSupport@michigan.gov.

Comments on these proposed rules may be made at the hearing, by mail, or by electronic mail at the following addresses until 1/28/2022 at 05:00PM.

Attention: Policy Analyst

Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Professional Licensing

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The public hearing will be conducted in compliance with the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act. If the hearing is held at a physical location, the building will be accessible with handicap parking available. Anyone needing assistance to take part in the hearing due to disability may call 711- to make arrangements.