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HOUSE BILL No. 2118

By Committee on Health and Human Services

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9 AN ACT concerning social workers; social worker safety training; amend-10 ing K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 65-6313 and repealing the existing section. 11 12Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: 13 Section 1. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 65-6313 is hereby amended to read as 14follows: 65-6313. (a) All licenses issued shall be effective upon the date 15issued and shall expire at the end of 24 months from the date of issuance. 16Except as otherwise provided in K.S.A. 65-6311 and amendments (b) 17thereto, a license may be renewed by the payment of the renewal fee set forth in K.S.A. 65-6314 and amendments thereto and the execution and 1819submission of a signed statement, on a form to be provided by the board, 20attesting that the applicant's license has been neither revoked nor cur-21rently suspended and that applicant has met the requirements for con-22 tinuing education established by the board including not less than three 23 continuing education hours of professional ethics. An applicant for re-24 newal of a license as a master social worker or a specialist clinical social 25worker, as part of such continuing education, shall complete not less than 26 six continuing education hours relating to diagnosis and treatment of men-27 tal disorders. On and after January 1, 2010, an applicant for first time 28 licensure renewal as a baccalaureate social worker, master social worker 29 or specialist clinical social worker, as part of such continuing education, 30 shall complete not less than six hours of social worker safety training, 31including self protection maneuvers. If the applicant has already taken 32 such training, as part of a previous level of social work licensure renewal, 33 then the applicant is not required to complete an additional six hours of 34 social worker safety training. 35 (c) The application for renewal shall be made on or before the date 36 of the expiration of the license or on or before the date of the termination 37 of the period of suspension. 38 If the application for renewal, including payment of the required (d) 39 renewal fee, is not made on or before the date of the expiration of the 40 license, the license is void, and no license shall be reinstated except upon 41payment of the required renewal fee established under K.S.A. 65-6314 42and amendments thereto, plus a penalty equal to the renewal fee, and 43 proof satisfactory to the board of the completion of 40 hours of continuing 1 education within two years prior to application for reinstatement. Upon

2 receipt of such payment and proof, the board shall reinstate the license.3 A license shall be reinstated under this subsection, upon receipt of such

4 payment and proof, at any time after the expiration of such license.
5 (e) In case of a lost or destroyed license, and upon satisfactory proof

6 of the loss or destruction thereof, the board may issue a duplicate license

7 and shall charge a fee as set forth in K.S.A. 65-6314 and amendments 8 thereto for such duplicate license.

9 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 65-6313 is hereby repealed.

10 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 11 publication in the statute book.