HOUSE FILE 2300 BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 576)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the practice of certain professions and
- 2 limited liability companies and professional corporations
- 3 and including effective date provisions.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 489.1101, subsection 4, Code 2018, is
amended to read as follows:

3 4. "Profession" means the profession of certified public
4 accountancy, architecture, chiropractic, dentistry, physical
5 therapy, practice as a physician assistant, psychology,
6 professional engineering, land surveying, landscape
7 architecture, law, medicine and surgery, optometry, osteopathic
8 medicine and surgery, accounting practitioner, podiatry, real
9 estate brokerage, speech pathology, audiology, veterinary
10 medicine, pharmacy, nursing, or marital and family therapy, or
11 mental health counseling, provided that the marital and family
12 therapist or mental health counselor is licensed under chapters
13 147 and 154D, or social work, provided that the social worker
14 is licensed under chapters 147 and 154C.

15 Sec. 2. Section 489.1102, subsection 2, Code 2018, is 16 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

17 <u>NEW PARAGRAPH</u>. *c.* For purposes of this section, marital 18 and family therapy, mental health counseling, psychology, and 19 social work shall be deemed to be professions which could 20 lawfully be practiced in combination by licensed individuals or 21 a partnership of licensed individuals.

22 Sec. 3. Section 496C.2, subsection 4, Code 2018, is amended 23 to read as follows:

4. "Profession" means the profession of certified public accountancy, architecture, chiropractic, dentistry, physical therapy, practice as a physician assistant, psychology, <u>marital</u> and family therapy or mental health counseling, provided that the marital and family therapist or mental health counselor is licensed under chapters 147 and 154D, social work, provided that the social worker is licensed under chapters 147 and <u>154C</u>, professional engineering, land surveying, landscape architecture, law, medicine and surgery, optometry, osteopathic medicine and surgery, accounting practitioner, podiatry, real estate brokerage, speech pathology, audiology, veterinary medicine, pharmacy, and the practice of nursing.

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1 Sec. 4. Section 496C.4, subsection 2, Code 2018, is amended 2 by adding the following new paragraph:

3 <u>NEW PARAGRAPH</u>. *c*. For purposes of this section, marital 4 and family therapy, mental health counseling, psychology, and 5 social work shall be deemed to be professions which could 6 lawfully be practiced in combination by licensed individuals or 7 a partnership of licensed individuals.

8 Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate 9 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

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EXPLANATION

11The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with12the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

13 This bill adds to the list of professions permitted to 14 practice in professional limited liability companies and 15 professional corporations and to the list of professions 16 that may be practiced in combination by licensed individuals 17 or a partnership of licensed individuals in a professional 18 corporation.

19 The bill adds mental health counseling and social work to the 20 list of professions permitted to form a professional limited 21 liability company. The bill also permits marital and family 22 therapy, mental health counseling, psychology, and social work 23 to be practiced in combination by licensed individuals or a 24 partnership of licensed individuals in a professional limited 25 liability company.

The bill adds marital and family therapy, mental health counseling, and social work to the list of professions permitted to form a professional corporation. The bill also permits marital and family therapy, mental health counseling, psychology, and social work to be practiced in combination by licensed individuals or a partnership of licensed individuals in a professional corporation.

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