Senate File 2107 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to domestic violence education requirements for
- 2 the issuance and renewal of certain professional licenses.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 154B.6, subsection 1, Code 2024, is
- 2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
- 3 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. On or after the effective date of this
- 4 Act, an applicant for licensure as a psychologist shall have
- 5 completed three credit hours of graduate-level courses related
- 6 to domestic violence.
- 7 Sec. 2. Section 154C.3, subsection 1, Code 2024, is amended
- 8 by adding the following new paragraph:
- 9 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. Domestic violence education. On or after
- 10 the effective date of this Act, an applicant for a license
- 11 under this chapter shall have completed three credit hours of
- 12 graduate-level courses related to domestic violence.
- 13 Sec. 3. Section 154D.2, subsection 1, Code 2024, is amended
- 14 by adding the following new paragraph:
- 15 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. On or after the effective date of this
- 16 Act, an applicant for a license to practice marital and family
- 17 therapy or mental health counseling shall have completed three
- 18 credit hours of graduate-level courses related to domestic
- 19 violence.
- 20 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. 272C.2D Continuing education minimum
- 21 requirements psychology, social work, marital and family
- 22 therapy, and mental health counseling.
- 23 The board of psychology, board of social work, and board
- 24 of behavioral science shall adopt rules requiring a person
- 25 licensed pursuant to section 154B.6, 154C.3, or 154D.2 to
- 26 complete two hours of continuing education credits relating to
- 27 domestic violence as a condition of license renewal.
- 28 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 31 This bill relates to requirements for the issuance and
- 32 renewal of a license to practice psychology, social work,
- 33 marital and family therapy, or mental health counseling. The
- 34 bill requires that an applicant for a license to practice
- 35 psychology, social work, marital and family therapy, or mental

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- 1 health counseling on or after the effective date of the bill
- 2 complete three credit hours of graduate-level courses related
- 3 to domestic violence. The bill also requires the boards of
- 4 psychology, social work, and behavioral science to require
- 5 licensees to complete two hours of continuing education
- 6 credits relating to domestic violence as a condition of license
- 7 renewal.