

CHAPTER 87

LICENSED BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS AND MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS — STATEMENTS OF PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION — BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL EXAMINER RULES

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AN ACT providing for statements of professional recognition for licensed behavior analysts and mental health professionals by the board of educational examiners and including effective date provisions.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. [Section 272.2](#), Code 2021, is amended by adding the following new subsections:

NEW SUBSECTION. 24. By August 1, 2021, adopt rules pursuant to [chapter 17A](#), developed in consultation with the department, establishing a statement of professional recognition for behavior analysts licensed under [chapter 154D](#).

NEW SUBSECTION. 25. By January 1, 2022, adopt rules pursuant to [chapter 17A](#) establishing a statement of professional recognition for mental health professionals as defined in [section 228.1](#). The rules shall require that any mental health professional who provides mental health services to students for a school obtain such a statement unless a professional service license or endorsement relating to mental health services has been issued to the mental health professional by the board.

Sec. 2. EMERGENCY RULES. The board of educational examiners may adopt emergency rules under [section 17A.4, subsection 3](#), and [section 17A.5, subsection 2](#), paragraph “b”, to implement the provisions of this Act and the rules shall be effective immediately upon filing unless a later date is specified in the rules. Any rules adopted in accordance with this section shall also be published as a notice of intended action as provided in [section 17A.4](#).

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

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