

1 HB346  
2 200261-7  
3 By Representatives Smith, Stringer, Meadows, Lawrence, Oliver  
4 and Sorrells  
5 RFD: Boards, Agencies and Commissions  
6 First Read: 04-FEB-21



1 only after the alleged violator has been notified of such  
2 violation or violations and having been given 90 days to  
3 disclaim, amend, and rectify such allegation.

4 "(3) Annually publish a list of the names and  
5 addresses of all persons who are:

6 "a. "Licensed bachelor social workers," "licensed  
7 ~~graduate master~~ master social workers," and "licensed ~~certified~~  
8 independent clinical social workers" under this chapter.

9 "b. Eligible to engage in the private independent  
10 practice of social work under this chapter.

11 "(4) Establish fees for initial examination,  
12 licensure, certification, and renewal thereof; fees for  
13 verifying the existence of a current license, reactivating an  
14 inactive license, and reinstating a lapsed license; fees for  
15 making application to the board to act as a continuing  
16 education provider; and fees for registering a supervisor.

17 Nothing in this subdivision shall be interpreted as  
18 requiring a state agency to pay any fees for the purposes of  
19 verifying the licensure status of current or prospective  
20 employees, registering any employee as a supervisor, or  
21 providing continuing education to current or prospective  
22 employees.

23 "(5) Establish requirements and standards for  
24 continuing education. In establishing ~~such~~ requirements, the  
25 board shall consult with those groups and organizations which  
26 represent both the levels of practice specified in this  
27 chapter and the various settings in which social work is

1 practiced. Furthermore, in developing ~~such~~ requirements, the  
2 board shall consider, but shall not be limited in its  
3 consideration to, agency recognized staff development programs  
4 under the auspices of public agencies, continuing education  
5 programs offered by colleges and universities having social  
6 work programs approved or accredited by the Council on Social  
7 Work Education, and continuing education programs offered by  
8 recognized state and national social work bodies.

9           "(6) ~~Promulgate~~ Adopt rules ~~and regulations~~ pursuant  
10 to the ~~State~~ Alabama Administrative Procedures Statute  
11 Procedure Act that set forth professional standards for  
12 "licensed bachelor social workers," "licensed ~~graduate~~ master  
13 social workers," and "licensed ~~certified~~ independent clinical  
14 social workers" who are certified for the private independent  
15 practice of social work. Those proposed rules ~~and regulations~~  
16 shall be published at least 30 days ~~prior to~~ before the public  
17 hearing relative to the proposed rules ~~and regulations~~, and at  
18 least 15 days ~~in advance of such~~ before the hearing, the board  
19 shall publish notice of the date, time, and place where ~~such~~  
20 the public hearings of the board ~~will~~ shall be held for the  
21 purpose of adopting or amending rules ~~and regulations~~  
22 pertaining to this chapter."

23           Section 2. This act shall become effective  
24 immediately following its passage and approval by the  
25 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18

House of Representatives

Read for the first time and re-  
ferred to the House of Representa-  
tives committee on Boards, Agencies  
and Commissions..... 04-FEB-21

Read for the second time and placed  
on the calendar 1 amendment ..... 24-FEB-21

Read for the third time and passed  
as amended..... 07-APR-21

Yeas 68, Nays 3, Abstains 5

Jeff Woodard  
Clerk