

FIRST ENGROSSMENT  
with Senate Amendments

Sixty-first  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1093

Introduced by

Human Services Committee

(At the request of the North Dakota Board of Social Work Examiners)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 4 of section 43-41-02, subsection 4 of  
2 section 43-41-04, and subsection 1 of section 43-41-08 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
3 relating to the licensing of social workers.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 4 of section 43-41-02 of the North Dakota  
6 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

7 4. Nothing in this chapter prevents the employment of social work designees by  
8 hospitals, basic care facilities, or skilled nursing facilities, provided these ~~persons~~  
9 individuals work under the direction of a social worker or social work consultant  
10 licensed under this chapter and that the board be notified of the name of the  
11 designee's employer and the name of the licensee who is providing direction or  
12 consultation to the designees.

13 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 4 of section 43-41-04 of the North Dakota  
14 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

15 4. The board shall issue a license as a licensed independent clinical social worker to  
16 an applicant who:  
17 a. Has a doctorate or master's degree in social work from a college or university.  
18 b. Has passed an examination approved by the board for this purpose.  
19 c. Has satisfied the board that within a four-year period the applicant has  
20 successfully completed ~~within four years~~, three thousand hours of  
21 post-master's clinical social work experience under the supervision of a  
22 ~~licensed certified social worker who has two years of experience~~, a licensed  
23 independent clinical social worker, or, if an applicant began that supervised  
24 clinical social work experience before August 1, 2009, a licensed certified

1                    social worker who has two years of experience, a licensed psychologist with a  
2                    doctorate degree, or a licensed psychiatrist.

3                    d. Has satisfied the board that the applicant agrees to adhere to the code of  
4                    social work ethics adopted by the board.

5                    **SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 1 of section 43-41-08 of the North Dakota  
6 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

7                    1. The governor shall appoint the North Dakota board of social work examiners which  
8                    must consist of six members, two of whom must be, at the time of initial  
9                    appointment, licensed social workers<sub>;i</sub>; one of whom must be, at the time of initial  
10                    appointment, a licensed certified social worker<sub>;i</sub>; one of whom must be, at the time  
11                    of initial appointment, a licensed independent clinical social worker<sub>;i</sub>; and two of  
12                    whom must be laypersons. Board members must demonstrate no conflict of  
13                    interest.