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Proposed law sets requirements for reinstatement of licenses and registration which have lapsed for more than 60 months, including passing the board exam and a required number of continuing education hours with ethics training included for all. LCSWs are required to include at least 20 hours of clinical content in their required hours.

Proposed law adds language regarding licenses which have lapsed for at least six months, but less than five years, and for those whose licenses have lapsed for more than five years.

Proposed law lists continuing education hours, including those with clinical content and ethics hours, for a LCSW whose license has lapsed between six months and five years and for those whose license has lapsed for more than five years.

Proposed law specifically states that no one shall hold himself out to be a social worker unless they shall have successfully completed an undergraduate or graduate level academic social work program.

Proposed law restates the provision for disciplinary action by the board regarding incapacity and impairment due to the use of drugs or intoxicating beverages which prevents the person from practicing social work with reasonable skill, competence, and safety to the public.

Proposed law allows the board to issue cease and desist orders in certain circumstances and in compliance with the provisions of the APA.

Proposed law adds the prohibition of discrimination based on age, sexual orientation, gender expression, or differing abilities.

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(Amends R.S. 37:2704(A) (1), (2), and (3), 2705(A) and (D), 2706(B), 2708(A)(3), 2709(B), 2712 (1)(b), 2713, 2714(B) and (C), 2716(B), 2717(A)(2) and (D), 2719, 2724(B); adds R.S. 37:2703(19), 2712(3), 2714(F) and (G), 2715(F), 2717(A)(13), (G) and (H); repeals R.S. 37:2712(1)(c))