

## HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 477

2021 Regular Session

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BOARDS/COMMISSIONS: Authorizes the La. State Board of Examiners of Psychologists to implement fees for certain services

### Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Names Act No. 251 of the 2009 Regular Session "The Dr. James W. Quillin, MP, Medical Psychology Practice Act".
2. Makes technical changes.

### Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law provides that the board shall charge an application fee to all applicants who seek licensure pursuant to present law.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that the board shall charge an application fee for each assistant to a psychologist that shall not exceed \$50. Such fee shall be charged in the month of July of each year, beginning in the year immediately subsequent to his initial registration. The board shall adopt rules in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to implement the provisions of proposed law.

Present law provides that a person licensed by the board shall annually pay a fee during the month of July of each year which shall not exceed an amount set by the board.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that the board shall set a renewal fee not to exceed \$50 for every assistant to a psychologist which shall be paid in accordance with present law. Further provides that the board shall adopt rules in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to implement the provisions of proposed law.

Proposed law provides that the board shall assess an application and renewal fee to an individual who sponsors a continuing professional development course or activity and who wishes for the board to review and pre-approve the course or activity. Further provides the application and renewal fee shall not exceed \$250.

Proposed law provides that the board shall assess an application fee to a licensee who seeks renewal and pre-approval of a continuing professional development course or activity and shall not exceed \$25. The application fee shall only apply if a licensee intends to earn a credit for a course or activity in which the sponsor has not sought review or obtained approval by the board.

Proposed law stipulates that the board may collect reasonable admission fees from a licensee who attends a continuing professional development course or activity. Such fee may be collected for any course or activity that is offered, sponsored, or co-sponsored by the board. Proposed law further provides that the board shall not require attendance for a course or activity which may be offered, sponsored, or co-sponsored. Such activity shall be an elective for a licensee who chooses to attend.

Proposed law provides that the board shall adopt rules in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to implement the provisions of proposed law.

Proposed law provides that the board may assess fees not to exceed \$200 for the following special services identified by the board:

- (1) Application for authority to conduct telesupervision.
- (2) Application for an inactive license or renewal license status.
- (3) Application for emeritus status and renewal.
- (4) Any written or computer-generated license verification.
- (5) Any written or computer-generated disciplinary report.
- (6) To obtain a duplicate license.
- (7) To obtain a duplicate renewal certificate.
- (8) To obtain a mail list.

Proposed law provides that the board shall adopt rules in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to implement the provisions of proposed law.

Proposed law names Section 16 of Act No. 251 of the 2009 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana "The Dr. James W. Quillin, MP, Medical Psychology Practice Act".

(Adds R.S. 37:2354(B)(4), (C)(4), (F), and (G))