

2026 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 314

BY SENATOR SELDERS

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH. Provides relative to community psychiatric support and treatment (CPST) services. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:2724(B)(2)(a), relative to community psychiatric support and
3 treatment services; to provide for limited scope certified social worker license to
4 provide CPST services; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date;
5 and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 37:2724(B)(2)(a) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §2724. Qualification; certified social worker

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10 B. * * *

11 (2)(a) At the end of the three-year certification period, a certified social
12 worker who has provided CPST services pursuant to R.S. 40:2162 and who meets
13 all the qualifications for licensure as a licensed master's social worker except for the
14 provisions of R.S. 37:2707(A)(3) shall petition the board ~~at least sixty days~~ prior to
15 the expiration of the certificate for an extension of the certification for the limited
16 purpose of providing CPST services as defined in R.S. 40:2162. **Any certified social**
17 **worker whose three-year certification period expired in calendar year 2025**

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill

1. Removes the requirement for the CSW to petition the board for an extension request at least 60 days prior to the expiration of certification.