SENATE BILL NO. 134

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Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 36:259(E)(25) and Chapter 60 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes
3	of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 37:3701 through 3718, relative to behavior analysts;
4	to create the Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board within the Department of Health and
5	Hospitals; to provide for the Behavior Analyst Practice Act; to provide for
6	definitions; to provide for the Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board and provide for its
7	powers and duties; to provide for the requirements of licensure, state certification,
8	or registration; to provide for the qualifications for licensure and state certification;
9	to provide for issuance and renewal of licenses and state certificates; to provide for
10	reinstatement of licenses and state certifications; to provide for the filing of licenses
11	and state certificates; to provide for the denial, revocation, or suspension of licenses
12	and state certificates; to provide for continuing education; to provide for fees; to
13	provide for certain exceptions; to provide for penalties; to provide for injunctive
14	proceedings; to provide for the sharing of resources between boards; to provide for
15	termination; and to provide for related matters.
16	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
17	Section 1. R.S. 36:259(E)(25) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
18	§259. Transfer of agencies and functions to Department of Health and Hospitals
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20	E. The following agencies, as defined in R.S. 36:3, are transferred to and
21	hereafter shall be within the Department of Health and Hospitals, as provided in R.S.

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3	(25) Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board (R.S. 37:3701 et seq.)
4	Section 2. Chapter 60 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,
5	comprised of R.S. 37:3701 through 3718, is hereby enacted to read as follows:
6	CHAPTER 60. BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS
7	§3701. Short title
8	This Part shall be known and may be cited as the "Behavior Analyst
9	Practice Act".
10	§3702. Definitions
11	As used in this Part the following words, terms, and phrases have the
12	following meaning ascribed to them in this Section, unless the context clearly
13	indicates a different meaning:
14	(1) "Applied behavior analysis" means the design, implementation, and
15	evaluation of systematic instructional and environmental modifications by a
16	behavior analyst, to produce socially significant improvements in behavior.
17	(2) "Assistant behavior analyst", "state certified assistant behavior
18	analyst", or "SCABA" means an individual who by training, experience, and
19	examination meets the requirements for certification by the board and is duly
20	certified to engage in the practice of behavior analysis under the supervision of
21	a licensed behavior analyst.
22	(3) "Behavior analyst", "licensed behavior analyst" or "LBA" means an
23	individual who by training, experience, and examination meets the
24	requirements for licensing by the board and is duly licensed to independently
25	practice behavior analysis in the state of Louisiana. The distinction of a licensed
26	behavior analyst or LBA is separate and apart from any other licensed
27	individuals, including but not limited to psychologists.
28	(4) "Board" means the Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board.
29	(5) "Line technician" or "registered line technician" means an individual
30	who works directly with the client to implement applied behavior analysis

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1	services under the direction and supervision of a licensed behavior analyst and
2	is registered as required in this Chapter.
3	(6) "Scope of practice of behavior analysis" includes the empirical
4	identification of functional relations between behavior and environments. It
5	uses direct observation and measurement of behavior and environment, the
6	empirical identification of functional relations between behavior and
7	environmental factors, known as functional assessment and analysis. Applied
8	behavior analysis interventions are based on scientific research and the direct
9	observation and measurement of behavior and environment. They utilize
10	contextual factors, establishing operations, antecedent stimuli, positive
11	reinforcement, and other consequences to help people develop new behaviors,
12	increase or decrease existing behaviors, and emit behaviors under specific
13	environmental conditions. The practice of behavior analysis expressly excludes
14	psychological testing, neuropsychology, cognitive therapy, diagnosis of
15	psychiatric conditions, psychotherapy, sex therapy, psychoanalysis,
16	hypnotherapy, and mental health counseling or academic teaching by college or
17	university staff.
18	§3703. Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board
19	A. There is hereby created within the Department of Health and
20	Hospitals the Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board which shall be subject to the
21	provisions of R.S. 36:803.
22	B. (1) The board shall consist of five behavior analysts who shall be
23	appointed by the governor from a list of nominees submitted by the Louisiana
24	Behavior Analysis Association, and who shall be confirmed by the Senate.
25	(2) The five behavior analysts shall become licensed once this Chapter
26	becomes effective.
27	(3) Members of the board shall serve at the pleasure of the governor. A

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l	term of four years, and such positions on the board shall be four-year terms.
2	(b) The third and fourth appointments to the initial board shall each
3	serve a term of three years, and such positions on the board shall be three-year
4	terms.
5	(c) The fifth appointment to the initial board shall serve a term of five
6	years, and such position on the board shall be a five-year term.
7	(5) If there is a vacancy, the appointment to complete the term shall
8	follow the same process to appoint members to the board.
9	(6) No member of the board shall serve more than two consecutive
10	complete terms on the board.
11	(7) The State Board of Examiners of Psychologists shall appoint a
12	member to serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the board.
13	C. The board shall convene its first meeting no later than October 1,
14	2013. At this meeting, the board shall elect from among its membership a
15	chairman and vice chairman.
16	D. A majority of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum for
17	the transaction of all business. The ex officio member shall not be considered
18	for the purpose of establishing a quorum.
19	E. The board shall meet at least quarterly. The board shall meet at the
20	call of the chairman or at the request of at least three members.
21	F. Members of the board shall serve without compensation but shall be
22	reimbursed for reasonable travel expenses incurred in attendance at meetings
23	and other official business of the board.
24	§3704. Powers and duties
25	A. The board shall have and exercise all powers and duties granted to
26	it by this Chapter. In addition, the board shall have the authority to:
27	(1) Establish and publish standards of behavior analysis practice.
28	(2) Approve, deny, revoke, suspend, renew and reinstate licensure and
29	state certification of duly qualified applicants.
30	(3) Establish and publish standards for the registration of line

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1	to the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information of the office
2	of state police within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections for
3	criminal background checks. Upon the board's submission of an applicant's
4	fingerprints and such other identifying information as may be required, the
5	Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information of the office of
6	state police within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall survey
7	its criminal history records and identification files and make a simultaneous
8	request of the Federal Bureau of Investigation for like information from other
9	jurisdictions. The Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information
10	of the office of state police within the Department of Public Safety and
11	Corrections may charge the board a reasonable processing fee for conducting
12	and reporting on any such search.
13	(13) Perform such other functions and duties as may be required to carry
14	out under this Chapter.
15	B. The board shall maintain and make available to the public a registry
16	of licensed behavior analysts, state certified assistant behavior analysts, and
17	registered line technicians.
18	§3705. License, state certification, or registration required
19	A. No person shall hold himself out as a licensed behavior analyst, a
20	state certified assistant behavior analyst, or a registered line technician unless
21	licensed, state certified, or registered in accordance with the provisions of this
22	Chapter.
23	B. This Section shall be enforced beginning December 31, 2013.
24	§3706. Qualifications of applicants of a licensed behavior analyst
	A. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Chapter or other law to
25	the contrary, an applicant for licensure as a licensed behavior analyst shall be
<ul><li>25</li><li>26</li></ul>	issued a behavior analyst license by the board upon satisfaction of all the
26	following criteria:
<ul><li>26</li><li>27</li></ul>	following criteria:  (1) Submission to the board of a completed application form. The board

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1	(2) Payment of all mandatory licensure fees.
2	(3) Proof of good moral character.
3	(4) Satisfactory completion of the criminal background check in
4	accordance with the authority granted to the board.
5	(5) Proof that the applicant passed a nationally recognized examination
6	administered by a nonprofit organization accredited by the National
7	Commission for Certifying Agencies, the American National Standards
8	Institute, or a substantial equivalent to credential professional practitioners of
9	behavior analysis related to the principles and practice of the profession of
10	behavior analysis that is approved by the board.
11	(6) Proof that the applicant passed the jurisprudence examination
12	covering the laws and rules governing the practice of behavior analysis in
13	Louisiana that is approved by the board.
14	(7) Proof that the applicant conducts his professional activities in
15	accordance with accepted standards, including the Guidelines for Responsible
16	Conduct for Behavior Analysts and Professional Disciplinary and Ethical
17	Standards of the Behavior Analyst Certification Board or other national
18	credentialing bodies as approved by the board.
19	(8) Proof that the applicant holds a master's degree from any accredited
20	university or other institution of higher learning.
21	B. The standards and requirements in this Chapter shall be separate and
22	unique from the standards and requirements for practicing psychology and
23	pertain to the practice of applied behavior analysis.
24	C. There shall be no requirement for individuals practicing under this
25	Chapter to be supervised by members of other professions.
26	D. A behavior analyst applicant who has a suspended license may
27	reapply for licensure after three years from the date of suspension.
28	§3707. Qualifications of applicants of a state certified assistant behavior analyst
29	A. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Chapter or other law to
30	the contrary, an applicant for state certification as a state certified assistant

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1	<u>denavior analyst snail de issued an assistant denavior analyst state certificate</u>
2	by the board upon satisfaction of all the following criteria:
3	(1) Submission to the board of a completed application form. The board
4	shall approve the form.
5	(2) Payment of all mandatory certification fees.
6	(3) Proof of good moral character.
7	(4) Satisfactory completion of the criminal background check in
8	accordance with the authority granted to the board.
9	(5) Proof that the applicant passed a nationally recognized examination
10	administered by a nonprofit organization accredited by the National
11	Commission for Certifying Agencies, the National Standards Institute, or a
12	substantial equivalent to credential professional practitioners of behavior
13	analysis related to the principles and practice of the profession of behavior
14	analysis that is approved by the board.
15	(6) Proof that the applicant passed the jurisprudence examination
16	covering the laws and rules governing the practice of behavior analysis in
17	Louisiana that is approved by the board.
18	(7) Proof that the applicant conducts his professional activities in
19	accordance with accepted standards, including the Guidelines for Responsible
20	Conduct for Behavior Analysts and Professional Disciplinary and Ethical
21	Standards of the Behavior Analyst Certification Board or other national
22	professional organizations as approved by the board.
23	(8) Proof that the applicant holds a bachelor's degree from any
24	accredited university or other institution of higher learning.
25	B. The standards and requirements in this Chapter shall be separate and
26	unique from the standards and requirements for practicing psychology and
27	pertain to the practice of applied behavior analysis.
28	C. There shall be no requirement for practicing individuals under this
29	Chapter to be supervised by members of other professions.
30	D. An assistant behavior analyst applicant who has a suspended

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certificate may reapply for certification after three years from the date of

2	suspension.
3	§3708. Registration of line technician
4	A. A line technician shall be registered by his supervising licensed
5	behavior analyst with the board.
6	B. At registration, the line technician shall submit a criminal background
7	report from the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information
8	of the office of state police within the Department of Public Safety and
9	Corrections, issued not more than fourteen days from the date of registration.
10	C. The registration provided for in this Section shall be renewed
11	annually by the supervising licensed behavior analyst.
12	§3709. Issuance and renewal of license and state certificate
13	A. The board shall issue a license or state certificate to any person who
14	meets the qualifications provided in this Chapter and the rules and regulations
15	of the board, and who pays the applicable fees fixed by the board.
16	B. A license or state certificate issued under provisions of this Chapter
17	shall be subject to annual renewal and shall expire and become null and void
18	unless renewed in the manner prescribed by the board.
19	C. License and state certificate renewal shall require documentation of
20	completion of the continuing education as required by this Chapter.
21	§3710. Reinstatement of license and state certificate
22	A. Any license or state certificate suspended, revoked, or otherwise
23	restricted by the board may be reinstated by the board.
24	B. A license or state certificate that has expired without renewal for a
25	period of one year from the date of expiration may be reinstated by the board
26	provided the applicant shall otherwise be eligible under the provisions of this
27	Chapter, pays the applicable fees, satisfies the continuing education
28	requirement, and meets such other requirements as may be established by the
29	board.
30	§3711. License and state certificate; filing

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1	The board shall issue a license or certificate signed by the board's
2	chairman, vice chairman, and all members of the board whenever a candidate
3	for licensure or state certification is found to be qualified as provided in this
4	Chapter. A copy of such license or state certificate, so certified by the board's
5	vice chairman as a true copy, shall be filed with the secretary of state by the
6	administrative assistant of the board. Any filing fees in connection with such
7	filing shall be paid, in advance, to the administrative assistant of the board by
8	the person being licensed or receiving a certificate.
9	§3712. Denial, revocation, or suspension of license or state certificate
10	A. A licensed behavior analyst and anyone under the supervision of a
11	licensed behavior analyst shall conduct his activities in conformity with ethical
12	and professional standards promulgated by the board under its current rules
13	and regulations.
14	B. The board shall have the power and duty to suspend, place on
15	probation, require remediation for a specified time, revoke any license or state
16	certificate to practice behavior analysis, or take any other action specified in the
17	rules and regulations whenever the board, by affirmative vote of at least four
18	of its five members, shall find by a preponderance of the evidence that a
19	behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst has engaged in any of the
20	following acts or offenses:
21	(1) Fraud or deception in applying for or procuring a license or a state
22	certificate to practice behavior analysis.
23	(2) Practicing behavior analysis in such a manner as to endanger the
24	welfare of clients or patients, including but not limited to:
25	(a) Harassment, intimidation, or abuse, sexual or otherwise, of a client
26	or patient.
27	(b) Engaging in sexual intercourse or other sexual contact with a client
28	or patient.
29	(c) Gross malpractice, repeated malpractice, or gross negligence in the
30	practice of behavior analysis.

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1	(3) Conviction of a felony. A copy of the record of conviction, certified
2	by the clerk of the court entering the conviction, shall be conclusive evidence.
3	(4) Conviction of any crime or offense which reflects the inability of the
4	practitioner to practice behavior analysis with due regard for the health and
5	safety of clients or patients.
6	(5) Use of repeated untruthful, deceptive, or improbable statements
7	concerning the licensee's qualifications or the effects or results of proposed
8	treatment, including functioning outside of one's professional competence
9	established by education, training, and experience.
10	(6) Aiding or abetting the practice of behavior analysis by any person not
11	licensed, state certified, or registered with the board and in violation of this
12	Chapter.
13	(7) Conviction of fraud in filing Medicare or Medicaid claims or in filing
14	claims to any third-party payor. A copy of the record of conviction, certified by
15	the clerk of the court entering the conviction, shall be conclusive evidence.
16	(8) Exercising undue influence in such a manner as to exploit the client
17	or patient for financial or other personal advantage to the practitioner or a
18	third party.
19	(9) The suspension or revocation by another state of a license or
20	certificate to practice behavior analysis. A certified copy of the record of
21	suspension or revocation of the state making such a suspension or revocation
22	shall be conclusive evidence thereof.
23	(10) Refusal to appear before the board after having been ordered to do
24	so in writing by a duly authorized agent of the board.
25	(11) Making any fraudulent or untrue statement to the board.
26	(12) Violation of the code of ethics adopted in the rules and regulations
27	of the board or other immoral, unprofessional, or dishonorable conduct as
28	defined in the rules and regulations of the board.
29	(13) Inability to practice behavior analysis with reasonable skill and
30	safety to patients or clients by reason of illness, inebriation, misuse of drugs,

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1	narcotics, alcohol, chemicals, or any other substance, or as a result of any
2	mental or physical condition.
3	(14) Failure to report the physical, mental, or sexual abuse of a child to
4	a law enforcement agency or district attorney.
5	(15) Violation of any of the provisions of this Chapter or of the rules and
6	regulations promulgated by the board.
7	C. Proceedings for disciplinary action or for the denial or withholding
8	of a license or state certificate under the authority of this Section shall be
9	conducted in compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act. The board
10	may require a person against whom disciplinary action has been taken by the
11	board after the hearing to pay reasonable costs of the proceedings incurred by
12	the board for the hearing and any judicial review, including attorney,
13	stenographer, and witness fees. These costs shall be paid no later than thirty
14	days after the adjudication by the board becomes final. No license shall be
15	issued, reinstated, or renewed until such costs have been paid.
16	D. The board may deny or withhold for a specified time not to exceed
17	two years the granting of a license or a state certificate to any applicant or
18	candidate who has committed any of the acts or offenses set forth in Subsection
19	<b>B</b> of this Section.
20	E. Suspension by the board of the license of a behavior analyst or the
21	state certificate of an assistant behavior analyst shall be for a period not
22	exceeding two years.
23	F. A person who has been refused a license or state certificate, or whose
24	license or state certificate has been revoked, under the provisions of this Section,
25	may reapply for licensure or state certification after more than two years have
26	elapsed from the date such denial or revocation is legally effective.
27	G. The board shall notify all licensed behavior analysts, state certified
28	assistant behavior analysts, and registered line technicians of any disciplinary
29	action taken against a licensed behavior analyst, a state certified assistant
30	behavior analyst, or a registered line technician.

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1	§3713. Continuing education	
2	A.(1) A licensed behavior analyst shall annually complete a minimum	
3	number of hours of continuing education relevant to the practice of behavior	
4	analysis as established by the board.	
5	(2) A certified assistant behavior analyst shall annually complete a	
6	minimum number of hours of continuing education relevant to the practice of	
7	behavior analysis as established by the board.	
8	B. The board shall develop the requirements for contin	nuing education.
9	C. The continuing education classes shall be approved	by the board.
10	<u>§3714. Fees</u>	
11	A. All monies received by the board under this Section s	hall be paid into
12	the treasury of the board.	
13	B. Fees set by the board under the authority of this Chapter shall include	
14	fees for the following purposes which shall not exceed the maximum amounts	
15	<u>listed below:</u>	
16	(1) For application for licensure	<u>\$400</u>
17	(2) For application for certification	<u>\$250</u>
18	(3) For application for registration	<u>\$50</u>
19	(4) For renewal of licensure	<u>\$400</u>
20	(5) For renewal of certification	<u>\$250</u>
21	(6) For renewal of registration	<u>\$50</u>
22	(7) For JE examination	<u>\$75</u>
23	(8) For late fees	<u>\$50</u>
24	(9) For reissuance of license or certificate	<u>\$15</u>
25	(10) For name changes on record	<u>\$25</u>
26	(11) For background check	<u>\$50</u>
27	(12) License verification	<u>\$15</u>
28	(13) Insufficient check fee	<u>\$15</u>
29	(14) For copies of documents in the board or committee	<u>e's</u>
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1	(15) For temporary licensure \$125
2	§3715. Persons and practices not affected
3	The provisions of this Chapter shall not be construed as prohibiting or
4	restricting the practice of any of the following:
5	(1) Other human service professionals who are licensed, certified, or
6	registered by the state of Louisiana, provided such individuals are working
7	within the scope of practice of their profession and the scope of their training
8	and competence.
9	(2) State certified assistant behavior analyst or registered line technician
10	who delivers applied behavior analysis services under the extended authority
11	and direction of a licensed behavior analyst. Such state certified assistant
12	behavior analyst or registered line technician shall not represent himself as a
13	behavior analyst.
14	(3) A family member or guardian of a recipient of applied behavior
15	analysis services who implements certain applied behavior analysis procedures
16	with the recipient under the extended authority and direction of a licensed
17	behavior analyst or a state certified assistant behavior analyst, who is
18	supervised by a licensed behavior analyst. Such an individual shall not
19	represent himself as a behavior analyst.
20	(4) An individual who practices with nonhumans, including applied
21	animal behaviorists and animal trainers.
22	(5) An individual who provides general applied behavior analysis
23	services to an organization, so long as those services are for the benefit of such
24	organization and do not involve direct services to individuals.
25	(6) A matriculated college or university student, intern, or postdoctoral
26	fellow whose activities are part of a defined behavior analysis program of study
27	practicum, intensive practicum, or supervised independent fieldwork. Such
28	practice under this exemption requires the direct supervision by a licensed
29	behavior analyst in this state or an instructor in an approved course sequence
30	approved by the board. A student, intern, or postdoctoral fellow shall not

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1	represent himself as a behavior analyst and shall use a title that clearly indicates
2	his training status, such as "behavior analysis student", "behavior analysis
3	intern", "behavior analysis trainee", or other title clearly indicating such
4	training status.
5	(7) An individual who teaches behavior analysis or conducts behavior
6	analytic research, provided that such teaching or research shall not involve the
7	delivery of direct behavior analytic services. Such individual may use the title
8	"behavior analyst" but may not represent himself as a licensed behavior analyst
9	or a state certified assistant behavior analyst unless he holds one of those
10	credentials issued by the board.
11	(8) An unlicensed individual pursuing experiential training in behavior
12	analysis consistent with the licensure requirements and standards as required
13	by the board, provided such experience is supervised by a licensed behavior
14	analyst.
15	(9) An individual licensed to practice psychology within the state, so long
16	as the applied behavior analysis services provided by the licensed psychologist
17	are within the licensed psychologist's education, training and expertise. This
18	includes individuals acting under the extended authority and direction of
19	licensed psychologists. Licensed psychologists and those acting under their
20	extended authority are prohibited from representing themselves as behavior
21	analysts, licensed behavior analysts, assistant behavior analysts, or state
22	certified assistant behavior analysts without being duly licensed or state
23	certified.
24	§3716. Penalties
25	A. It shall be a misdemeanor for any individual:
26	(1) Not licensed, state certified, or registered under this Chapter to
27	represent himself as a licensed behavior analyst, a state certified assistant
28	behavior analyst, or a registered line technician.
29	(2) Not licensed, state certified, or registered under this Chapter to
30	engage in the practice of behavior analysis.

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1	(3) To represent himself as a licensed behavior analyst or a state
2	certified assistant behavior analyst during the time that his license or state
3	certificate as a behavior analyst or an assistant behavior analyst shall be
4	suspended or revoked or lapsed.
5	(4) To employ as a line technician, a line technician who is not registered
6	pursuant to this Chapter.
7	B. Such misdemeanor shall be punishable upon conviction by
8	imprisonment for not more than six months or by a fine of not less than one
9	hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, or both. Each violation
10	shall be deemed a separate offense.
11	C. Such misdemeanor shall be prosecuted by the district attorney of the
12	judicial district in which the offense was committed.
13	§3717. Injunctive proceedings
14	A. The board may investigate any evidence or allegation which appears
15	to show that any person is or may be in violation of any provision of this
16	Chapter.
17	B. The board may apply for an injunction in any court of competent
18	jurisdiction to enjoin any person from committing any act which is in violation
19	of this Chapter.
20	C. If it be established that the defendant has been or is committing an
21	act which is in violation of this Chapter, the court shall enter a decree
22	perpetually enjoining said defendant from further committing such act.
23	D. In case of violation of any injunction issued under the provisions of
24	this Section, the court may summarily conduct a hearing and find the offender
25	in contempt of court.
26	E. Such injunctive proceedings shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of,
27	all penalties and other remedies as provided in this Chapter.
28	§3718. Termination
29	The provisions of this Chapter shall terminate and have no effect on and
30	after July 1, 2018.

Section 3. The Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board and the State Board of Examiners
of Psychologists shall share office space, professional staff, and other resources in the
operation and management of each of the respective boards.

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