SENATE BILL NO. 153

## BY SENATOR SELDERS AND REPRESENTATIVES CHASSION AND KNOX

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

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 37:2724(B) and R.S. 40:2162(D)(2)(c) and to enact R.S.
3	40:2162(D)(2)(d), relative to behavioral health rehabilitation services in the
4	Louisiana medical assistance program; to provide for limited licenses for certain
5	individuals to provide CPST services; and to provide for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 37:2724(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
8	§2724. Qualification; certified social worker
9	* * *
10	B.(1) The board may issue a social worker certificate to an individual who
11	has completed all requirements for certification as a certified social worker. The
12	individual may hold the certificate for no more than three years from the issuance of
13	the original certificate.
14	(2) At the end of the three-year certification period, a certified social
15	worker who has provided CPST services pursuant to R.S. 40:2162 and who
16	meets all the qualifications for licensure as a licensed master's social worker
17	except for the provisions of R.S. 37:2707(A)(3) shall petition the board at least
18	sixty days prior to the expiration of the certificate for an extension of the
19	certification for the limited purpose of providing CPST services as defined in
20	R.S. 40:2162.
21	(a) The petition to extend the certification shall include all of the
22	following:

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1	(i) The amount of time requested for the extended certification, which
2	shall not exceed three years from the expiration of the initial certification.
3	(ii) The amount of time the petitioner has provided CPST services for a
4	licensed and accredited provider.
5	(iii) A signed statement from the petitioner's licensed clinical supervisor
6	that supports the petition and confirms the intent for the supervisor to continue
7	providing supervision.
8	(iv) Any additional information requested by the board to appropriately
9	evaluate the petition.
10	(b) The board shall approve any petition that meets the criteria
11	provided in this Paragraph.
12	(c) The certified social worker shall be solely authorized to continue to
13	provide CPST services for a licensed and accredited provider in accordance
14	with R.S. 40:2162.
15	(d) The certified social worker shall complete the continuing education
16	required by R.S. 37:2714 and pay the annual certification renewal fee set forth
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**SB NO. 153 ENROLLED** (c) Any individual rendering the assessment and treatment planning 1 2 components of CPST services for a licensed and accredited provider agency shall be 3 a fully licensed mental health professional. 4 (d) Any individual rendering any of the other components of CPST services 5 for a licensed and accredited provider agency shall be a fully licensed mental health professional, a provisionally licensed professional counselor, a provisionally licensed 6 7 marriage and family therapist, a licensed master social worker, a certified social worker, or a psychology intern from an American Psychological Association 8 9 approved internship program, or an individual issued a limited scope license 10 pursuant to R.S. 37:2724(B)(2). 11 12 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature 13 14 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become 15 16 effective on the day following such approval. PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_