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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 295, L.D. 867, "Resolve, to Amend the Requirements for Alcohol and Drug Treatment Programs"

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the 4th line (page 1, line 4 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "do the following:"

Further amend the resolve in section 1 in the 5th to 9th lines (page 1, lines 5 to 9 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "by licensed personnel, eliminating the requirement that staff be full-time counselors; and allow persons to be employed as clinical supervisors who are qualified through licensure, certification or registration, as required by state law and administrative rule" and inserting in its place the following: 'and supervision by personnel professionally qualified and experienced in alcohol and drug abuse treatment and to eliminate the requirement that personnel be qualified as one particular type of alcohol and drug abuse professional'

Further amend the resolve by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

FISCAL NOTE

The Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services will incur some minor additional costs

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to adopt rules. These costs can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted resources.'

SUMMARY

This amendment requires the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services to adopt rules by November 1, 1999 regarding alcohol and drug treatment programs to allow program staffing and supervision by personnel professionally qualified and experienced in alcohol and drug abuse treatment and to eliminate the requirement that personnel be qualified as one particular type of alcohol and drug abuse professional. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the resolve.