

1	L.D. 228
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, 8	FIRST REGULAR SESSION
9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 191, L.D. 228, Bill, "An Act To Expedite the Issuance of Alcohol and Drug Counseling Licenses"
11	Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:
12	'An Act To Clarify the Licensing of Certified Clinical Supervisors'
13	Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 2 and 3 and inserting the following:
14	Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §6214-E is enacted to read:
15	§6214-E. Certified clinical supervisors; qualifications for licensure
16 17	<b>1. Eligibility.</b> To be eligible to practice as a certified clinical supervisor, an applicant must:
18	A. Meet the requirements of subsection 2 or 3; and
19	B. Have paid an application and license fee under section 6215.
20 21 22 23 24 25	2. Certain licensed mental health professionals. An applicant who is a licensed psychologist, licensed physician, registered clinical nurse specialist, licensed clinical professional counselor, licensed clinical social worker, licensed or certified mental health professional, licensed marriage and family therapist or licensed pastoral counselor who is qualified to provide alcohol and drug counseling services by virtue of the requirements for that profession is eligible for licensure under this section if the applicant:
26 27 28 29	A. Possesses documented proof of 24 hours of training in clinical supervision including at least 6 hours of training in each of the following areas: skills assessment and evaluation; counselor development; management and administration; and professional responsibility; and
30	B. Meets one of the following requirements:
31 32	(1) Possesses documented proof of 1,000 hours of practice in alcohol and drug counseling under the applicant's qualifying license; or

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1 2 3 4	(2) Has work experience treating individuals with co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders and at least 3 years of experience supervising clinicians within a program licensed to provide treatment to individuals with co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders.
5 6 7 8 9 10 11	3. Licensed alcohol and drug counselors. An applicant who is a licensed alcohol and drug counselor is eligible for licensure under this section if the applicant possesses documented proof of 24 hours of training in clinical supervision including at least 6 hours of training in each of the following areas: skills assessment and evaluation; counselor development; management and administration; and professional responsibility.' Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.
12	SUMMARY
13 14 15	This amendment makes changes to the provision of the bill related to the minimum qualifications for certain licensed mental health professionals and licensed alcohol and drug counselors to also become licensed as certified clinical supervisors by:
16	1. Removing the examination requirement;
17	2. Reducing the number of minimum hours of training in clinical supervision;
18 19	3. Clarifying that licensed pastoral counselors and licensed marriage and family therapists may be licensed as certified clinical supervisors; and
20 21 22 23	4. Adding an eligibility requirement that recognizes licensed mental health professionals with experience in treating co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders and at least 3 years of experience supervising clinicians in treatment programs for individuals with co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders.
24 25 26	The amendment also removes the section of the bill requiring that the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, State Board of Alcohol and Drug Counselors to grant or deny a license within 30 days of receipt of the application for that license.
27	FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
28	(See attached)

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### **129th MAINE LEGISLATURE**

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An Act To Expedite the Issuance of Alcohol and Drug Counseling Licenses

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment  $\mathcal{A}^{"}(\mathcal{H}^{-}/\mathcal{O}^{3})$ Committee: Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services Fiscal Note Required: Yes

#### **Fiscal Note**

Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

#### **Fiscal Detail and Notes**

Additional costs to the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, State Board of Alcohol and Drug Counselors to implement the requirements of this legislation can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.