



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5549

February Session, 2006

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AN ACT CONCERNING CERTIFICATION OF MARITAL AND FAMILY THERAPISTS EMPLOYED IN SCHOOLS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2006*) No later than July 1, 2007,
2 the State Board of Education shall certify marital and family therapists
3 employed by local or regional boards of education. On or before April
4 1, 2007, the State Board of Education, in consultation with the
5 Commissioner of Public Health, shall adopt regulations, in accordance
6 with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to provide
7 standards for the certification of marital and family therapists who are
8 employed by local or regional boards of education. Such regulations
9 shall include certification requirements to be met by either (1) (A)
10 licensure as a marital and family therapist under section 20-195c of the
11 general statutes, and (B) such other experience as the State Board of
12 Education deems appropriate for the position of marital and family
13 therapist in a school system, or (2) certification for employment in a
14 school system as a marital and family therapist by another state that
15 has requirements equal to or greater than the requirements of this
16 state.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	New section
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