

To Whom It May Concern:

I am Kerry Del Giudice, a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA), certification number 1-14-15827. I am writing with regards to An Act Concerning Behavior Analysts SB-292. I feel that licensure for behavior analysts is an important step for the state of Connecticut to consider. Providing behavior analysts with a license will assist in improving protection for customers, as well as expand access to services of a behavior analytic nature. Licensure will also support third party reimbursement for behavior analytic services. There are over 500 behavior analysts in the state of Connecticut, all of whom would benefit from licensure for behavior analysts. Twenty-four states already have licensure for behavior analysts, including surrounding states. It is my personal feeling that licensure would help behavior analysts in a variety of settings, including homes, clinics, and schools. Furthermore, it should be acceptable for staff who work directly under and are supervised by a licensed behavior analyst (or licensed assistant behavior analyst) in the field. This is very important in order to maintain the integrity for many programs of behavior analytic nature. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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