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HOUSE BILL NO. 1976

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 54.1-3508 of the Code of Virginia, relating to licensure of substance abuse counselors.

Patron—Darner

Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 54.1-3508 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 54.1-3508. Licensure of certain persons possessing substantially equivalent qualifications, education or experience.

Notwithstanding the provisions of § 54.1-3507, the Board may, for a period of time to be determined by the Board but not less than one year, issue a license as a licensed substance abuse treatment practitioner to a person who, after the effective date of the regulations promulgated pursuant to subdivision 7 of § 54.1-3505, has applied for such a license and who, in the judgment of the Board, possesses qualifications, education or experience substantially equivalent to the requirements of § 54.1-3507; however, any such applicant shall have completed at least one year of supervised clinical experience in substance abuse treatment.

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