ORIGINAL HOUSE BILL NO. <u>HB0003</u>

ENROLLED ACT NO. 1, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2021 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to mental health professions licensing and certification; amending qualifications to practice as a certified addictions practitioner; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 33-38-106(c)(iii) and by creating a new paragraph (vii) is amended to read:

33-38-106. Requirements for licensure and certification.

(c) Certification under this subsection shall allow practice as a certified addictions practitioner only under the supervision of a qualified clinical supervisor and subject to any other restrictions which may be specified by the board. The board shall grant certification as a certified addictions practitioner to any applicant who files an application upon a form and in the manner prescribed by the board, accompanied by the appropriate fee and who furnishes satisfactory evidence to the board of the following:

(iii) The applicant has received a baccalaureate degree in a human resource behavioral discipline from a regionally accredited institution of higher education, which is professional in content and which meets the academic and training content standards established national standards for accreditation in the field of addiction therapy as accepted by the board, or has received a baccalaureate level equivalency in addiction therapy. In performing its duties under this paragraph, the board shall use ______ consult the professional training and experience ORIGINAL HOUSE BILL NO. <u>HB0003</u>

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standards of the appropriate <u>national</u> professional associations as established by the rules and regulations or the standards of an appropriate federal agency;

(vii) Notwithstanding paragraphs (iii) and (vi) of this subsection, a person who has received a baccalaureate degree in a human behavioral discipline, other than a degree in addiction therapy, may be granted certification under this subsection after providing to the board satisfactory proof of completion of two thousand (2,000) hours of supervised work experience as a certified addictions practitioner assistant or equivalent in the field of addiction therapy.

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2021.

(END)

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Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk