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**Prime Sponsor:** Joint Labor, Health & Social Services Interim Committee

**Catch Title:** **Certified addictions practitioners-certification amendments.**

**Subject:** Certified additions practitioners-certification amendments.

**Summary/Major Elements:**

- This act amends the educational requirements to practice as a certified addictions practitioner under the Mental Health Professions Practice Act.
- Through the act, applicants must either have a baccalaureate degree in a human behavioral discipline that meets national standards for accreditation in the field of addiction therapy, as accepted by the Mental Health Professions Licensing Board or have received a baccalaureate level equivalency in addiction therapy.
- In reviewing an applicant's educational background, the Board is required to consult the professional training and experience standards of the appropriate national professional associations or the standards of an appropriate federal agency.
- The act provides for an exception to specified education requirements for applicants that have received a baccalaureate degree in a human behavioral discipline, other than a degree in addiction therapy, and have demonstrated receiving not less than two thousand (2,000) hours of supervised work experience as a certified addictions practitioner assistant or equivalent in the field of addiction therapy.

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