

BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1403

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 10, after “needs;” insert “providing that certain individuals who meet certain qualifications may apply to the Board for a certain certificate authorizing the individual to provide certain services;”; and after line 16, insert:

“BY adding to

Article - Health Occupations

Section 17-302.6

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, after line 18, insert:

“17-302.6.

(A) AN INDIVIDUAL MAY RENDER DIAGNOSES BASED ON A RECOGNIZED MANUAL OF MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL DISORDERS AND USE PSYCHOTHERAPY TO TREAT DISORDERS IF THE INDIVIDUAL HAS RECEIVED A CERTIFICATE OF CLINICAL ENDORSEMENT FROM THE BOARD.

(B) THE BOARD SHALL ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF CLINICAL ENDORSEMENT TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO:

(1) IS A CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR, A CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR-MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST, OR A CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR-ALCOHOL AND DRUG; AND

(Over)

(2) HAS DOCUMENTATION EVIDENCING THE COMPLETION OF 60 HOURS OF GRADUATE COURSE WORK, INCLUDING TRAINING IN PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT, DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL DISORDERS, PSYCHOPATHOLOGY, AND PSYCHOTHERAPY FROM AN ACCREDITED COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY PROGRAM APPROVED BY THE BOARD.”.