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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services (Rodriguez) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment to Amendment (126144) (with title amendment)

Delete lines 555 - 601

and insert:

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Section 6. Effective upon this act becoming a law, subsection (6) of section 491.0045, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 491.0045 Intern registration; requirements.-

(6) A registration issued on or before March 31, 2017,

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11 expires March 31, 2022, and may not be renewed or reissued. Any 12 registration issued after March 31, 2017, expires 60 months 13 after the date it is issued. The board may make a one-time 14 exception to the requirements of this subsection in emergency or 15 hardship cases, as defined by board rule, if the candidate has 16 passed the theory and practice examination described in s. 17 491.005(1)(d), (3)(d), and (4)(d).

Section 7. Effective July 1, 2022, section 491.0045, Florida Statutes, as amended by this act, is amended to read:

491.0045 Associate Intern registration; requirements.-

(1) An individual who has not satisfied the postgraduate or post-master's level experience requirements, as specified in s. 491.005(1)(c), (3)(c), or (4)(c), must register as an <u>associate</u> intern in the profession for which he or she is seeking licensure before commencing the post-master's experience requirement or an individual who intends to satisfy part of the required graduate-level practicum, <u>associateship</u> internship, or field experience, outside the academic arena for any profession, and must register as an <u>associate</u> intern in the profession for which he or she is seeking licensure before commencing the practicum, associateship internship, or field experience.

32 (2) The department shall register as <u>an associate</u> <del>a</del>
33 clinical social worker <del>intern</del>, <u>associate</u> marriage and family
34 therapist <del>intern</del>, or <u>associate</u> mental health counselor <del>intern</del>
35 each applicant who the board certifies has:

36 (a) Completed the application form and remitted a 37 nonrefundable application fee not to exceed \$200, as set by 38 board rule;

(b)1. Completed the education requirements as specified in

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40 s. 491.005(1)(c), (3)(c), or (4)(c) for the profession for which he or she is applying for licensure, if needed; and 41

42 2. Submitted an acceptable supervision plan, as determined 43 by the board, for meeting the practicum, associateship internship, or field work required for licensure that was not 44 45 satisfied in his or her graduate program.

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(c) Identified a qualified supervisor.

47 (3) An individual registered under this section must remain 48 under supervision while practicing under registered associate 49 intern status.

50 (4) An individual who fails to comply with this section may 51 not be granted a license under this chapter, and any time spent by the individual completing the experience requirement as specified in s. 491.005(1)(c), (3)(c), or (4)(c) before registering as an associate intern does not count toward completion of the requirement.

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(5) An associate intern registration is valid for 5 years.

(6) A registration issued on or before March 31, 2017, expires March 31, 2022, and may not be renewed or reissued. Any registration issued after March 31, 2017, expires 60 months after the date it is issued. The board may make a one-time exception to the requirements of this subsection in emergency or hardship cases, as defined by board rule.

64 65 And the title is amended as follows: 66 Delete lines 1216 - 1219 67 and insert: 491.0045, F.S.; revising circumstances under which the 68

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| 69 | board may grant a certain one-time exemption from   |
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| 70 | associate registration requirements; conforming     |
| 71 | provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. |