

HOUSE BILL NO. 4280

March 20, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Edwards, Foreman, Young, McFall, McKinney, B. Carter, Wilson, Johnsen, Mentzer, MacDonell and Arbit and referred to Committee on Health Policy.

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled
"Public health code,"
by amending section 18509 (MCL 333.18509), as amended by 2004 PA
61.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 18509. (1) Except as otherwise provided in section 18515,
2 an individual granted a license under this part shall meet the
3 following requirements:

4 (a) A licensed bachelor's social worker shall have been

1 awarded a bachelor's degree in social work from a college or
2 university social work program approved by the board and shall have
3 completed at least 2 years of full-time postbachelor's degree
4 experience, or the equivalent in part-time hours, in the practice
5 of social work at the bachelor's level under the supervision of a
6 licensed master's social worker. Until July 1, 2008, the required
7 experience in the practice of social work at the bachelor's level
8 ~~shall~~**must** be performed under the supervision of ~~a person~~**an**
9 **individual** who has been awarded a master's or doctoral degree in
10 social work from a college or university school of social work.

11 (b) A licensed master's social worker shall have been awarded
12 a master's or doctoral degree in the field of social work from a
13 college or university social work program approved by the board and
14 shall have completed at least 2 years of full-time postmaster's or
15 postdoctoral degree experience, or the equivalent in part-time
16 hours, in the practice of social work at the master's level under
17 the supervision of a licensed master's social worker. Until July 1,
18 2008, the required experience in the practice of social work at the
19 master's level ~~shall~~**must** be performed under the supervision of a
20 ~~person~~**an individual** who has been awarded a master's or doctoral
21 degree in the field of social work from a college or university
22 school of social work and has engaged in the practice of social
23 work for not less than 2 years. In addition to the requirements set
24 forth in this subdivision, a licensed master's social worker
25 employed by a school district shall meet the requirements for
26 employment as a school social worker contained in the revised
27 school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1 to 380.1852, and the rules
28 promulgated under that act.

29 (2) The board may grant a limited license to engage in the 2-

1 year postdegree experience required under subsection (1) to an
2 individual who has completed all the educational requirements for
3 licensure as a bachelor's social worker or a master's social
4 worker. A limited license granted under this subsection is
5 renewable for not more than ~~6~~**10** years.