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1 HOUSE BILL NO. 152 2 INTRODUCED BY B. MERCER 3 BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY 4 5 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO PROFESSIONAL AND 6 OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY: REORGANIZING AND 7 CLARIFYING GENERALLY APPLICABLE PROVISIONS UNDER AN ADMINISTRATIVE CHAPTER AND REMOVING REDUNDANT PROVISIONS; INCORPORATING DEPARTMENT LICENSING PROGRAMS INTO 8 THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHAPTER; CREATING A UNIFORM LICENSING APPLICATION PROCESS; 9 REVISING LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT AND CHANGING TERMINOLOGY; REDUCING TIMELINES 10 11 AND REVISING PROVISIONS TO ISSUE LICENSES; REVISING AND CREATING UNIFORM DUTY OF 12 LICENSEE AND LICENSE APPLICANT TO SELF-REPORT AND REPORT UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT OF OTHERS; REVISING UNIFORM FINGERPRINTING PROCESS FOR CERTAIN APPLICANTS; REVISING 13 14 AND CREATING UNIFORM STANDARDS FOR MENTAL AND PHYSICAL EVALUATIONS; REVISING AND 15 CREATING UNIFORM DUTY TO PROVIDE CONTACT INFORMATION; PROVIDING NOTICE OF PRIMARY METHOD OF COMMUNICATION: PROVIDING AUTHORITY TO CONSENT TO NOTICE BY ELECTRONIC 16 17 PROCESS; REVISING PROVISIONS FOR LICENSE RENEWAL, LAPSE, TERMINATION, AND 18 CONTINUING JURISDICTION; REVISING TEMPORARY LICENSURE TERMINOLOGY AND CREATING A 19 PROVISIONAL LICENSE AND LIMITED PRACTICE REGISTRATION; ESTABLISHING A MILITARY SPOUSE 20 TEMPORARY LICENSE: REVISING MILITARY PERSONNEL EXEMPTIONS: REVISING CONTINUING 21 EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS; REVISING DUTIES OF THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF 22 LABOR AND INDUSTRY: REVISING DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY RELATED TO FISCAL ADMINISTRATION OF BOARDS AND PROGRAMS, DETERMINING SUBSTANTIAL 23 EQUIVALENCY, AND INVESTIGATING COMPLAINTS; REVISING AND CLARIFYING PROVISIONS 24 25 RELATED TO DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS AND CONTESTED CASES; REVISING RESPONSIBILITIES AND 26 AUTHORITY OF BOARDS AND PROGRAMS; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING 27 SECTIONS 2-15-121, 2-15-1738, 2-15-1749, 20-4-502, 20-5-420, 20-9-327, 20-26-1511, 25-1-1101, 27-1-28 1101, 27-12-206, 28-10-103, 32-9-104, 33-18-217, 33-22-111, 33-30-1013, 33-31-102, 37-1-104, 37-1-106, 37-



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- NEW SECTION. Section 1. Application -- licensing -- proof of licensure. (1) To obtain a license or an endorsement on a license to practice a profession or occupation or to operate a facility in which the practice takes place, a person must apply on a form and pay a fee prescribed by the department. The applicant must attest to and provide evidence satisfactory to the department that the applicant:
- (a) (i) meets the education, experience, examination, and other qualifications for licensure set by board or program statute or rule; or
- 14 (ii) is eligible for licensure by endorsement from licensure in another jurisdiction as provided in 37-15 1-304; and
 - (b) is fit to practice the profession or occupation, as shown by an absence of unprofessional conduct in the applicant's history.
- 18 (2) Except as otherwise provided by law, an applicant must provide the applicant's social security
 19 number or taxpayer identification number.
 - (3) An applicant's submission of a license application constitutes consent to release information as may be necessary for the department to verify the information provided by the applicant.
 - (4) Except as provided by [section 11], on verification by the department that an applicant meets the qualifications and fitness for licensure, the department shall issue the license, subject to the renewal and termination provisions of 37-1-141.
 - (5) Unless otherwise provided by board or program rule, a licensee must
- 26 (a) continuously display the license in publicly accessible locations at any fixed location where the 27 licensee practices; or
- 28 (b) while engaged in a practice that occurs outside of any fixed location, carry a department-issued



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(5) Licensees and license applicants must notify the department within 30 days of any change in any information previously furnished to the department, including but not limited to personal history information, individual or business name, contact information, supervisory relationships, supervisory or collaborative agreements, operation plans, designated individuals or licensees in charge, business location, and officers, directors, or owners.

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NEW SECTION. Section 4. National criminal history background check -- applicant and licensee fingerprinting requirements. (1) In accordance with Public Law 92-544, 34 U.S.C. 40316, the boards or programs listed in subsections (2) through (9) shall require initial applicants, and may require renewing license applicants, for the listed license types to submit a full set of fingerprints to obtain a national criminal history background check by the Montana department of justice and the federal bureau of investigation as a prerequisite to the issuance or renewal of a license. The department may use and control criminal record information received under this section only in accordance with laws, regulations, and procedures of the U.S. department of justice under the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact Act of 1998 to administer the licensing process and assist the listed licensing agencies to screen licensees and license applicants:

- (2) Board of behavioral health, Title 37, chapters 22, 23, 35, 37, and 38:
- 17 (a) addiction counselor;
 - (b) addiction counselor candidate;
- 19 (a)(c) baccalaureate social worker;
- 20 (d) baccalaureate social worker candidate;
- 21 (b)(e) clinical professional counselor;
- 22 (c)(f) clinical professional counselor candidate;
- 23 (d)(g) clinical social worker;
- 24 (e)(h) clinical social worker candidate;
- 25 (f)(i) marriage family therapist;
- 26 (g)(j) marriage family therapist candidate;
- 27 (h)(k) master's-level social worker; and
- 28 (I) master's-level social worker candidate; and



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1 (i)(m) peer support specialist. 2 (3) Board of medical examiners, Title 37, chapter 3: physician compact license applicants applying 3 for expedited licensure in another state as allowed under 37-3-356. (4) Board of nursing, Title 37, chapter 8: 4 5 (a) advanced practice registered nurse; 6 (b) medication aide 1; 7 medication aide 2; (c) 8 (d) practical nurse: and 9 (e) registered nurse. Board of pharmacy, Title 37, chapter 7: 10 (5) 11 (a) third-party logistics provider; and 12 (b) wholesale distributor. 13 Board of physical therapy, Title 37, chapter 11: (6) 14 physical therapist; and (a) 15 (b) physical therapy assistant. 16 (7) Board of private security, Title 37, chapter 60: 17 (a) alarm installer; 18 (b) alarm response runner; 19 certified firearms instructor; (c) 20 private investigator; (d) 21 (e) process server; 22 resident manager of a contract security company, electronic security company, or proprietary (f) 23 security organization; and 24 (g) security guard. Board of psychology psychologists, Title 37, chapter 17: 25 (8) assistant behavior analyst; and 26 (a) 27 (b) behavior analyst. 28 (9)Board of real estate appraisers, Title 37, chapter 54:

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- 2 (b) certified general appraiser;
- 3 (c) certified residential appraiser; and
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- NEW SECTION. Section 5. Mental and physical evaluations. (1) If a board or program has objective and reasonable belief that a licensee or license applicant presents a significant risk of substantial harm to public health and safety, the board or program may require an evaluation of the licensee or license applicant by a physician or other health care provider designated by department personnel.
- (2) The evaluation must determine to what extent and how any existing mental or physical impairment or disability or use of controlled substances by the individual may impact the individual's performance of the profession or occupation with reasonable skill and safety. The factors to be considered include but are not limited to:
 - (a) the duration of the risk;
 - (b) the nature and severity of the potential harm;
- 16 (c) the likelihood that the potential harm will occur; and
- 17 (d) the imminence of the potential harm.
 - (3) The board or program may consider additional mental or physical evaluations and may base a proposed disciplinary or enforcement action on a single evaluation or the totality of any evaluations considered.
 - (4) The board or program may summarily suspend the license or suspend processing the application of an individual who refuses to submit to the evaluation.

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- NEW SECTION. Section 6. Military spouse temporary license. (1) A spouse of an active member serving in the United States armed forces stationed in Montana under military orders who is licensed in good standing in another state or United States territory to practice a profession or occupation regulated by the department is, on application to the department, entitled to receive a temporary license to practice.
- 27 (2) The department shall waive the application fee.
 - (3) A temporary license issued under this section has a term of 3 years after the date of issuance



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1 15% noncompliance rate before the department administers the provisions of 37-1-321, the department may 2 audit up to 100% of the licensees in the next audit year.

- (b) the department shall audit all licensees who renew an expired license for compliance with continuing education, certification, or other recurring qualifications.
- (3) The department shall notify licensees before the expiration of current certification or other recurring qualifications and require submission of the qualifications.
- (4) A licensee who fails to provide the department with proof of continuing education or a current certification or other recurring qualifications requested under this section is subject to administrative suspension of the license under 37-1-321.

NEW SECTION. Section 13. Physician and resident licenses -- qualifications. (1) An individual may not practice medicine unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.

- (2) An applicant for licensure as a physician must:
- (a) have graduated from an approved medical school as defined in 37-3-102;
- 15 (b) have completed an approved residency program;
- 16 (c) have passed all steps of the United States medical licensing examination, the federation of
 17 state medical boards' federation licensing examination, or an examination offered by any of the following
 18 entities:
 - (i) the national board of medical examiners or its successors;
- 20 (ii) the national board of osteopathic medical examiners or its successors;
- 21 (iii) the medical council of Canada or its successors if the applicant is a graduate of a Canadian 22 medical school approved by the medical council of Canada or its successors; or
 - (iv) the educational commission for foreign medical graduates or its successors if the applicant is a graduate of a foreign medical school outside of the United States or Canada; and
 - (d) be able to communicate in the English language as determined by the board.
- 26 (3) An applicant for licensure to practice medicine as a resident must have:
- 27 (a) good standing in an approved residency program and rotation; and
- 28 (b) supervision by a physician who possesses an active, unrestricted license to practice medicine



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(4) A resident license may not be issued for a period that exceeds 2 years. A resident license may be renewed, at the board's discretion, for additional 2-year1-year periods if the resident is in good standing in an approved residency program.

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- NEW SECTION. Section 14. Podiatrist license required -- qualifications. (1) An individual may not practice podiatry unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.
- 8 (2) An applicant for licensure as a podiatrist must have:
- 9 (a) graduated from a school of podiatry approved by the board;
- 10 (b) completed at least 1 year of postgraduate training or equivalent experience or training
 11 approved by the board; and
 - (c) passed an examination administered by the national board of podiatric medical examiners.

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- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 15. Pharmacist and pharmacy technician license required -- qualifications. (1) An individual may not practice pharmacy or assist in the practice of pharmacy unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.
- 17 (2) An applicant for licensure as a pharmacist must have:
- 18 (a) received an accredited pharmacy degree that has been approved by the board;
- 19 (b) complied with the internship requirements established by the board; and
- 20 (c) passed the licensing examinations prescribed by the board.
- 21 (3) An applicant for licensure as a pharmacy technician must have the qualifications prescribed by 22 board rule.

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- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Section 16. Certified pharmacy license required -- qualifications.** (1) A person may not operate a pharmacy unless the pharmacy is licensed as a certified pharmacy under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.
- 27 (2) A certified pharmacy must have a licensed pharmacist in charge to operate, manage, and supervise the certified pharmacy.



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1	NEW SECTION. Section 20. Acupuncturist license required qualifications. (1) An individual
2	may not practice acupuncture unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.
3	(2) An applicant for licensure as an acupuncturist must have:
4	(a) graduated from a school of acupuncture that is approved by the accreditation commission for
5	acupuncture and herbal medicine and offers a course of at least 1,000 hours of entry-level training in
6	recognized branches of acupuncture, or an equivalent curriculum approved by the board; and
7	(b) passed an examination prepared and administered by the national certification commission for
8	acupuncture and oriental medicine or its successor.
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10	NEW SECTION. Section 21. Speech-language pathology and audiology licenses and assistant
11	licenses required qualifications. (1) An individual may not practice speech-language pathology or
12	audiology unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter. An individual may be licensed in both
13	areas if the individual meets the respective qualifications, and in those instances, the license fee must be as
14	though for one license.
15	(2) An individual may not practice as a speech-language pathology assistant or audiology
16	assistant unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.
17	(3) An applicant for licensure as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist must, as further
18	prescribed by board rule:
19	(a) have completed an academic , <u>program;</u>
20	(b) have completed a supervised clinical practicum;
21	(b)(c) have completed supervised professional experience; and
22	(c)(d) have passed an examination.
23	(4) An applicant for licensure as a speech-language pathology assistant or an audiology assistant
24	must:
25	(a) have completed <u>academic</u> requirements in subsections (3)(a) and (3)(b) as prescribed by board
26	rule for assistant-level licensure; or
27	(b) if gained before January 1, 2024, have experience working as an unlicensed assistant in an
28	amount and character prescribed by board rule that is equivalent to the requirements in $\frac{(3)(a)(4)(a)}{(a)}$.



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1	(5)	This section may not be construed to prohibit speech-language pathologists, audiologists, or
2	assistants from	delegating tasks to unlicensed individuals.
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4	NEW S	SECTION. Section 22. Psychologist license required qualifications. (1) An individual may
5	not practice ps	ychology unless the individual is licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.
6	(2)	An applicant for licensure as a psychologist must:
7	(a)	(i) have a doctoral degree in clinical psychology from an accredited college or university with a
8	graduate progr	am approved by the American psychological association; or
9	(ii)	if the doctoral degree possessed under subsection (2)(a) is in psychology and the graduate
10	program is not	approved by the American psychological association, have successfully completed:
11	(A)	a formal graduate retraining program in clinical psychology approved by the American
12	psychological a	association; or
13	(B)	a course of studies that meets minimum standards specified by board rule;
14	(b)	have a minimum of 2 years of supervised experience in the practice of psychology, of which 1
15	year must be p	ostdoctoral and include no more than 6 months of supervised research, teaching, or a
16	combination of	both; and
17	(c)	have passed an examination prescribed by board rule.
18	(3)	An individual who has completed the education requirements under this section but who has
19	not completed	the postdoctoral supervised psychology practice may apply for a provisional license to practice
20	psychology pur	suant to [section 11] and an approved supervision plan prescribed by board rule.
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22	NEW S	EECTION. Section 23. Veterinarian license required qualifications. (1) An individual may
23	not practice ve	terinary medicine unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.
24	(2)	An applicant for licensure as a veterinarian must:
25	(a)	have a degree from a veterinary medical school having educational standards equal to those
26	approved by th	e American veterinary medical association; and
27	(b)	have passed a board-approved examination.



1	NEW SECTION. Section 24. Occupational therapist and occupational therapist assistant
2	licenses required qualifications. (1) An individual may not practice occupational therapy as a therapist or
3	an assistant unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.
4	(2) An applicant for licensure as an occupational therapist or an occupational therapy assistant
5	must have certification from the national board for certification in occupational therapy.
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7	NEW SECTION. Section 25. Dietitian nutritionist license required qualifications. (1) An
8	individual may not practice as a dietitian, dietitian nutritionist, or nutritionistmedical nutrition therapy unless
9	licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.
10	(2) An applicant for a dietitian nutritionist license must have a current credential as a registered
11	dietitian or a registered dietitian nutritionist from the commission on dietetic registration, as accredited by the
12	national commission for certifying agencies.
13	(3) The requirement in subsection (2) is necessary for continued licensure and is subject to audit
14	under [section 12].
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16	NEW SECTION. Section 26. Naturopathic physician license required qualifications. (1) An
17	individual may not practice naturopathy unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.
18	(2) An applicant for licensure as a naturopathic physician must have:
19	(a) graduated from an approved naturopathic medical college; and
20	(b) passed an examination as prescribed by board rule.
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22	NEW SECTION. Section 27. Direct-entry midwife license required qualifications provisiona
23	license. (1) An individual may not practice as a direct-entry midwife unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1,
24	and this chapter.
25	(2) An applicant for licensure as a direct-entry midwife must have:
26	(a) certification as a certified professional midwife from the North American registry of midwives;
27	and
28	(b) certification from the American academy of pediatrics or the American heart association to



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2	NEW :	SECTION. Section 31. Clinical laboratory science license required qualifications. (1) An
3	individual may	not practice clinical laboratory science unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this
4	chapter.	
5	(2)	An applicant for licensure as a clinical laboratory scientist must have:
6	(a)	graduated with a baccalaureate degree, including a minimum number of hours in areas or
7	disciplines est	ablished by board rule; and
8	(b)	passed a board-approved examination.
9	(3)	An applicant for licensure as a clinical laboratory specialist must have:
10	(a)	graduated with a baccalaureate degree as described in subsection (2)(a); and
11	(b)	passed a board-approved examination.
12	(4)	An applicant for licensure as a clinical laboratory technician must have:
13	(a)	(i) earned an associate degree or 60 semester hours in a science-related discipline; or
14	(ii)	completed other board-approved equivalent formal education; and
15	(b)	passed a board-approved examination.
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17	NEW:	SECTION. Section 32. Athletic trainer license required qualifications exemptions. (1)
18	An individual n	nay not practice athletic training unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.
19	(2)	An applicant for licensure as an athletic trainer must:
20	(a)	have a baccalaureate degree from a postsecondary institution that meets the academic
21	standards for a	athletic trainers established by the national athletic trainers' association board of certification; and
22	(b)	have passed a board-approved examination.
23	(3)	An applicant is exempt from the examination requirement in subsection (2)(b) if the applicant is
24	certified as an	athletic trainer by an organization recognized by the national commission for certifying agencies.
25	(4)	This section does not prohibit:
26	(a)	a health care professional licensed under Title 37 from:
27	(i)	practicing an occupation or profession for which the health care professional is licensed; or
28	(ii)	practicing on an athlete;



1	(b)	an educator or an information specialist from providing general information regarding	
2	prevention of athletic injuries;		
3	(c)	an individual from providing a first aid procedure incidental to the individual's employment or	
4	volunteer dutie	es;	
5	(d)	an intern or student trainee who is studying a course of athletic training at an accredited	
6	postsecondary	institution from providing athletic training under qualified supervision as part of the intern or	
7	student trainee	s's course of study. The intern or student trainee shall use the title "athletic training student" while	
8	carrying out at	hletic training activities.	
9	(e)	a personal trainer from providing personal training services;	
10	(f)	a massage therapist from providing massage; or	
11	(g)	a coach, physical education teacher, athletic director, other school employee, or supervised	
12	volunteer from	providing first aid, preventative care, or continual follow-up care of athletes and athletic injuries	
13	in a school set	ting.	
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15	NEW :	SECTION. Section 33. Sanitarian license required qualifications. (1) An individual may	
16	not practice the	e profession of sanitarian unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.	
17	(2)	An applicant for licensure as a sanitarian must:	
18	(a)	have a bachelor's degree in environmental health or its equivalent from an accredited university	
19	or college; and		
20	(b)	have passed a board-approved examination.	
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22	NEW :	SECTION. Section 34. Genetic counselor license required qualifications exemptions.	
23	(1) An individu	al may not practice genetic counseling unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this	
24	chapter.		
25	(2)	An applicant for licensure as a genetic counselor must have certification from the American	
26	board of genet	ic counseling as a genetic counselor.	
27	(3)	This chapter does not apply to:	
28	(a)	an individual licensed as a physician or advanced practice registered nurse or licensed to	



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1	(2)	An applicant for licensure to practice landscape architecture must have successfully completed
2	the educationa	ıl, practical experience, and examination requirements prescribed by board rule.
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4	NEW S	SECTION. Section 43. Professional engineer and professional land surveyor licenses
5	required qu	alifications. (1) An individual may not practice as a professional engineer or a professional land
6	surveyor unles	s licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.
7	(2)	An applicant for licensure as a professional engineer must:
8	(a)	(i) have a baccalaureate or master's degree in engineering or engineering technology from an
9	accredited prog	gram or board-approved equivalent;
10	(ii)	have passed the fundamentals of engineering examination; and
11	(iii)	have completed 4 years of supervised progressive experience, except that if the degree in
12	subsection (2)((a)(i) is not accredited or is a bachelor of science degree, have completed 20 years of experience
13	on engineering	projects, of which 10 years must be supervised progressive experience; or
14	(b)	(i) have a doctoral degree in engineering from an accredited program or board-approved
15	equivalent;	
16	(ii)	except as provided in subsection (2)(b)(iii), have passed the fundamentals of engineering
17	examination; a	nd
18	(iii)	have 2 years of progressive experience unless the applicant has not taken the fundamentals of
19	engineering ex	camination, in which case the applicant must have 4 years of progressive experience.
20	(3)	After completion of the experience requirements, the applicant shall pass the principles and
21	practices of en	gineering examination to be eligible for a professional engineering license.
22	(4)	An applicant for licensure as a professional land surveyor must:
23	(a)	have a board-approved bachelor's degree in land surveying;
24	(b)	have passed the fundamentals of surveying examination;
25	(c)	have 4 years of combined office and field experience in land surveying under the direct
26	supervision of	a licensed professional land surveyor, of which at least 3 years must be progressive experience
27	on land survey	ing projects, except that if the degree in subsection (4)(a) is an a board-approved associate

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degree in land surveying or a board-approved bachelor's degree with a minor in land surveying, the applicant

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1 must have 6 years and 4 1/2 years, respectively, of the experience required in this subsection (4)(c).
2 (5) After completion of the experience requirements, to be eligible for a professional land surveyor

- 3 license the applicant:
- 4 (a) must have passed the principles and practices of land surveying; and
- 5 (b) must have passed the Montana state-specific land surveyor examination; and
- 6 (b)(c) shall submit exhibits of land surveying projects as prescribed by board rule.

NEW SECTION. Section 44. Electrical work lice

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Section 44. Electrical work licenses required -- qualifications.** (1) An individual may not practice as a master electrician, journey-level electrician, residential electrician, or electrical contractor unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.

- (2) An applicant for a master electrician's license must, as may be further prescribed by board rule:
- 12 (a) have an electrical engineering degree from an accredited college or university and 2,000 hours
- 13 of practical experience; or
- 14 (b) have graduated from a board-approved electrical trade school and have 8,000 hours of 15 journey-level experience; and
- 16 (c) have passed an examination prescribed by board rule.
- 17 (3) An applicant for a journey-level electrician's license must, as may be further prescribed by
- 18 board rule:

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- 19 (a) (i) have completed a board-approved apprenticeship program, training program, or trade
- 20 school;
- 21 (ii) have 8,000 hours of practical experience; or
- 22 (iii) have worked in the electrical maintenance field for at least 20,000 hours, of which 8,000 hours
- 23 must be practical experience; and
- 24 (b) have passed an examination prescribed by board rule.
- 25 (4) An applicant for a residential electrician's license must:
- 26 (a) have completed a board-approved residential electrician apprenticeship program, training program, or trade school;
- 28 (b) have 4,000 hours of practical experience in the wiring for, installing, and repairing of electrical



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apparatus and equipment for light, heat, and power in residential construction consisting of fewer than five living
 units in a single structure;

- (c) have worked in the electrical maintenance field for at least 20,000 hours, of which 8,000 hours must be practical experience; and
 - (d) have passed an examination prescribed by board rule.
- (5) (a) For the purposes of this section, "electrical maintenance" means the ordinary and customary installations in a plant or onsite in addition to modifications, additions, or repairs that are limited to replacing ballasts, relamping, trouble-shooting motor controls, and replacing motors, breakers, or magnetic starters in a kind-for-kind manner. The term includes the connection of specific items of specialized equipment that can be directly connected to an existing branch circuit panel by means of factory-installed leads.
- (b) The term does not include installation of a new circuit to operate the equipment described in subsection (5)(a) or installation that requires the size of supply conductors to be increased.
- (6) An applicant for licensure as an electrical contractor must meet the qualifications as prescribed by board rule.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 45. Plumber license required -- qualifications -- restrictions on authority for journey-level plumber. (1) An individual may not practice in the field of plumbing as a master plumber or as a journey-level plumber unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.

- (2) An applicant for a master plumber's license must, as may be further prescribed by board rule:
- (a) have 4 years of experience as a licensed journey-level plumber in the field of plumbing;
- 21 (b) have 3 years of experience, which may run concurrently with the requirement in subsection
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- (i) working with a licensed master plumber; or
- 24 (ii) in a supervisory capacity in the field of plumbing; and
- 25 (c) have passed an examination prescribed by board rule.
- 26 (3) For the purposes of subsection (2), 1 year of experience is 1,500 hours or more of work in a continuous 12-month period.
- 28 (4) An applicant for licensure as a journey-level plumber must, as may be further prescribed by



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- (a) (i) have 5 years of experience in the field of plumbing, which may include credit for time attending an accredited trade or other school; or
- (ii) have successfully completed an apprenticeship program that meets standards set by the department or the United States department of labor, bureau of apprenticeship; and
- (b) have passed an examination of the techniques and methods employed in the field of plumbing.
- (5) Credit toward the apprenticeship program may be given for time spent attending an accredited trade or other school specializing in the field of plumbing as prescribed by board rule.
 - (6)(5) In the case of a firm or corporation, the examination and issuance of a license to an individual of the firm or to a principal of the firm or corporation satisfies the requirements of this chapter as to master plumbers but not as to journey-level plumbers. An individual, firm, or corporation may not do the work of a master plumber unless licensed under this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Section 46. Construction blaster license required -- qualifications. (1) An individual may not practice construction blasting unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter or under the supervision of a construction blaster licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.

- (2) An applicant for licensure as a construction blaster must:
- 18 (a) be at least 18 years of age;
- 19 (b) have completed a training program recognized by the explosives or construction industry and 20 the rules of the department; and
 - (c) have 2 years of experience in construction blasting.
- 22 (3) The department may not approve a training program under subsection (2)(b) unless the 23 program offers comprehensive instruction in types of explosives, methods and purposes of their use, and safety 24 and storage.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 47. Elevator mechanic, inspector, and contractor licenses required -qualifications. (1) An individual may not practice as an elevator mechanic, limited elevator mechanic, or
elevator inspector or engage in the business of an elevator contractor or limited elevator contractor unless



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Section 65. Section 37-1-106, MCA, is amended to read:

"37-1-106. Biennial report. The department, in cooperation with each licensing board and program, shall prepare a biennial report. The biennial report of the department shall contain for each board a summary of the board's activities, the board's that summarizes the goals and objectives of each board and program, a detailed breakdown of board and program revenues and expenditures, statistics illustrating board activities concerning licensing, summary the number of complaints received and their disposition, the number of licenses revoked or suspended license applications received and their disposition, legislative or court action affecting the board, and any other information the department or board or program considers relevant. The department shall submit the report to the office of budget and program planning as a part of the information required by 17-7-111."

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- Section 66. Section 37-1-121, MCA, is amended to read:
- "37-1-121. Duties of commissioner -- definitions. (1) In addition to the powers and duties under 2-13 14 15-112 and 2-15-121, the commissioner of labor and industry shall:
 - (a) at the request of a party, appoint an impartial hearings examiner to conduct hearings whenever any board or department program holds a contested case a contested case hearing. The hearings examiner shall conduct hearings in a proper and legal manner.;
 - establish the qualifications of and hire all personnel to perform the administrative, fiscal, (b) inspection, investigative, and legal, and clerical functions of the department for the boards and programs. Boards within the department do not have authority to establish the qualifications of, hire, or terminate personnel. The department shall consult with the boards regarding recommendations for qualifications for executive or executive director positions.
 - (c) approve all contracts and expenditures by boards within the department and programs. A board within the department or program may not enter into a contract or expend funds without the approval of the commissioner.
 - (d) provide oversight and supervision of the duties and authority exercised by boards regulated under Title 37, other than chapters 42, 43, and 61, by exercising active supervision authority to approve or disapprove any board action identified by the department as restraining or potentially restraining competition in

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1	trade or commerce. A board action includes any policy, rule, or other action of the board subject to this section
2	subsection (1)(d).
3	(2) Subject to the provisions of 37-1-122(6), the commissioner shall determine if the board action is
4	made or taken pursuant to based on a clearly articulated state policy and if the restraint or potential restraint of
5	trade or commerce is reasonable and necessary to protect the public health, safety, or welfare. Any approval or
6	disapproval under this-subsection (1)(d) must be in writing, comply with the provisions in 37-1-122, and set forth
7	the particular reasons supporting the determination. A disapproval determination may include the
8	commissioner's recommended modifications, if any, for the board's consideration. The commissioner may
9	assign duties, as necessary, but may not assign final approval or disapproval.
10	$\frac{(2)(3)}{(2)}$ If the department disapproves or modifies any board action under subsection (1)(d), the
11	department and not the board may be liable for claims resulting from the disapproval or modification.
12	(3) As used in this chapter, the following definitions apply:
13	(a) "Board action" means a policy, rule, or other action taken by a board subject to subsection (1)(d).
14	(b) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of labor and industry unless otherwise specified."
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16	Section 67. Section 37-1-130, MCA, is amended to read:
17	"37-1-130. Definitions. As used in this part <u>Title 37</u> pertaining to professional and occupational
18	licensing boards and programs, the following definitions apply:
19	(1) "Administrative fee" means a fee established by the department to cover the cost of administrative
20	services as provided for in 37-1-134.
21	(2)(1) "Board" means a licensing board created under Title 2, chapter 15, that regulates part 17, to
22	regulate a profession or occupation and that is administratively attached to the department as provided in 2-15-
23	121.
24	(2) "Business entity" means a sole proprietor, corporation, partnership, limited partnership, limited
25	liability company, limited liability partnership, or association.
26	(3) "Complaint" means information provided to or obtained by the department that, if true, warrants
27	disciplinary, enforcement, or other action authorized by this chapter against a licensee, license applicant, or
28	other person.



1	on the alleged violator. The notice may be served by certified mail to the current address on file with the board
2	or by other means authorized by the Montana Rules of Civil Procedure. The notice may not allege a violation of
3	a particular statute, rule, or standard unless the board or the board's screening panel, if one has been
4	established, has made a written determination that there are reasonable grounds to believe that the particular
5	statute, rule, or standard has been violated of charges and any accompanying summary suspension order.
6	(2) A licensee or license applicant shall give the board the licensee's or applicant's current address
7	and any change of address within 30 days of the change.
8	(3)(2) The notice must state that the licensee or license applicant may request a hearing to contest
9	the charge or charges. A request for a hearing must be in writing and received in the offices of by the
10	department within 20-21 days after the licensee's receipt service of the notice. Failure to request a hearing
11	constitutes a default on the charge or charges, and the board or program may enter a decision based on the
12	basis of the facts available to it.
13	(3) A disciplinary action under this section may not be taken against an individual who is in
14	compliance with Title 16, chapter 12, part 5.
15	(4) The remedies in this section do not preclude or in any way limit other remedies or action
16	otherwise permitted or required by law."
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18	Section 77. Section 37-1-310, MCA, is amended to read:
19	"37-1-310. Hearing adjudicative procedures. (1) The procedures in Title 2, chapter 4, governing
20	adjudicative proceedings before agencies; the Montana Rules of Civil Procedure; and the Montana Rules of
21	Evidence govern a hearing under this part. A board or program has all the powers and duties granted by Title 2,
22	chapter 4.
23	(2) The department has the burden to prove the charges at the hearing by a preponderance of the
24	evidence."
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26	Section 78. Section 37-1-311, MCA, is amended to read:
27	"37-1-311. Findings of fact order report. (1) If the board decides by a preponderance of the
28	evidence, following a hearing or on default, that a violation of this part occurred, the An adjudication panel of



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1 the board or the department on behalf of a program shall review and adjudicate proposed dispositions by 2 hearing, default, or stipulation in accordance with 2-4-621. 3 <u>(2</u>) The department shall prepare and serve the board's deliver findings of fact and an order, 4 including an order of dismissal as provided in Title 2, chapter 4 42-4-623 2-4-623. If the licensee or license 5 applicant is found not to have violated this part, the department shall prepare and serve the board's findings of 6 fact and an order of dismissal of the charges. 7 (2)(3) (a) The department shall within a reasonable amount of time report to the public the issuance 8 of a summary suspension, a notice under 37-1-309, an accepted stipulation, a hearing examiner's proposed 9 decision, and a final order. 10 In addition to any other means of notice public dissemination of final orders required by 2-4-(b) 11 623, the department shall post the required information on a publicly available website. 12 (c) This subsection (2) (3) may not be construed to require a meeting to be open or records to be 13 disseminated when the demands of individual privacy clearly exceed the merits of public disclosure." 14 15 **Section 79.** Section 37-1-312, MCA, is amended to read: 16 "37-1-312. Sanctions -- stay -- costs -- stipulations. (1) Upon a decision that a licensee or license 17 applicant has violated this part or is unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety due to a physical or 18 mental condition committed unprofessional conduct or upon stipulation of the parties as provided in subsection 19 (3), the a board or a program may issue an order providing for one or any combination of the following 20 sanctions that are necessary to protect the public: revocation of the license; 21 (a) 22 (b) suspension of the license for a fixed or indefinite term; 23 (c) restriction or limitation of the practice; 24 (d) satisfactory completion of a specific program of remedial education or treatment; 25 monitoring of the practice by a supervisor approved by the disciplining authority: (e) 26 (f) censure or reprimand. either public or private: 27 compliance with conditions of probation for a designated period of time; (g) 28 (h) payment of a fine not to exceed \$1,000 for each violation. Fines must be deposited in the state



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2	(i)	denial of a license application or issuance of the license for a probationary period not to exceed
3	3 years;	
4	(j)	refund of costs and fees billed to and collected from a consumer; or
5	<u>(k)</u>	other appropriate action.
6	(2)	A sanction may be totally or partly stayed by the board or program. To determine which
7	sanctions are a	ppropriate, the board shall first consider the sanctions that are necessary to protect or
8	compensate the	e public. Only after the determination has been made may the board consider and include in the
9	order any requi	rements designed to rehabilitate the licensee or license applicant.
10	(3)	The licensee or license applicant may enter into a stipulated agreement resolving potential or
11	pending charge	es that includes one or more of the sanctions in this section. The stipulation is an informal
12	disposition for t	he purposes of 2-4-603.
13	(4) A	licensee shall surrender a suspended or revoked license to the board within 24 hours after
14	receiving notific	cation of the suspension or revocation by mailing it or delivering it personally to the board."
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16	Sectio	n 80. Section 37-1-314, MCA, is amended to read:
17	"37-1-3	Reinstatement. (1) A-Unless a board or program orders a permanent revocation, a
18	licensee whose	license has been suspended or revoked under this part may petition the board or program for
19	reinstatement a	after an interval set by the board in the order. The board may hold a hearing on the petition and
20	or program ma	y deny the petition or order reinstatement and impose the terms and conditions as-provided in
21	37-1-312.	

- (2) The board <u>or program</u> may require the successful completion of an examination as a condition of reinstatement and may treat a licensee whose license has been revoked or suspended as a new applicant for purposes of establishing the requisite licensure qualifications of licensure."
- **Section 81.** Section 37-1-315, MCA, is amended to read:
- "37-1-315. Enforcement of fine. (1) If payment of a fine is included in an order and timely payment is not not not made as directed in the an order, the board department may enforce the order for payment in the district



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(2) In a proceeding for enforcement of an order of payment of a fine, the order is conclusive proof of the validity of the order of payment and the terms of payment. A proceeding under this section is not a review of the validity of the board or program order."

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Section 82. Section 37-1-316, MCA, is amended to read:

7 "37-1-316. Unprofessional conduct. The following is unprofessional conduct for a licensee or 8 license applicant governed by this part:

- (1) <u>Subject to Title 37, chapter 1, part 2, having a conviction, including conviction following a plea</u> of nolo contendere, of a crime relating to or committed during-the course of the <u>person's practice of the profession or occupation</u> or involving violence, use or sale of drugs, fraud, deceit, or theft, whether or not an appeal is pending;
- (2) engaging in conduct defined as a sexual crime in Title 45, chapter 5, part 5, regardless of whether the conduct occurred during or is related to the licensee's profession or occupation;
- (3) engaging in conduct in the profession or occupation found to be a violation of the Montana

 Human Rights Act, Title 49;
- (2)(4) permitting, aiding, abetting, or conspiring with a person to violate or circumvent a law relating to licensure or certification;
 - (3)(5) fraud, misrepresentation, deception, or concealment of a material fact in applying for or assisting in securing a license or license renewal or in taking an examination required for licensure;
 - (4)(6) signing or issuing, in the licensee's professional capacity, a document or statement that the licensee knows or reasonably ought to know contains a false or misleading statement;
 - (5)(7) a misleading, deceptive, false, or fraudulent advertisement or other representation in the conduct of the profession or occupation;
 - (6)(8) offering, giving, or promising anything of value or benefit to a federal, state, or local government employee or official for the purpose of influencing the employee or official to circumvent a federal, state, or local law, rule, or ordinance governing the licensee's profession or occupation;
- 28 (7)(9) denial, suspension, revocation, probation, fine, surrender during investigation or in lieu of



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1 (5) an application fee." 2 3 Section 93. Section 37-4-402, MCA, is amended to read: 4 "37-4-402. License -- examination Dental hygienist license required -- qualifications. (1) The 5 department may issue licenses for the practice of dental hygiene to qualified applicants to be known as dental 6 hygienists An individual may not practice dental hygiene unless licensed under Title 37, chapter 1, and this 7 chapter. 8 (2) Except as provided by rules adopted under 37-1-319, a person may not engage in the practice of 9 dental hygiene or practice as a dental hygienist in this state until the person has passed an examination 10 approved by the board under rules adopted by the board and has been issued a license by the department. 11 (3)(2) An applicant for licensure shall submit an application that must include, when required as a 12 dental hygienist must have: certification of successful completion of passed the national board written examination; 13 (a) 14 certification of successful completion of passed a regional board practical examination; and (b) 15 (c) two affidavits of good moral character; 16 (d)(c) a certificate of graduation graduated from a board-approved dental hygiene school; and 17 (e) an application fee." 18 Section 94. Section 37-7-101, MCA, is amended to read: 19 20 "37-7-101. **Definitions.** As used in this chapter, the following definitions apply: 21 (1) (a) "Administer" means the direct application of a drug to the body of a patient by injection, 22 inhalation, ingestion, or any other means. 23 (b) Except as provided in 37-7-105, the term does not include immunization by injection for 24 children under 18 years of age. 25 "Board" means the board of pharmacy provided for in 2-15-1733. (2) "Cancer drug" means a prescription drug used to treat: 26 (3) 27 cancer or its side effects; or (a) 28 (b) the side effects of a prescription drug used to treat cancer or its side effects.



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1 (4) "Chemical" means medicinal or industrial substances, whether simple, compound, or obtained 2 through the process of the science and art of chemistry, whether of organic or inorganic origin. 3 (5) "Clinical pharmacist practitioner" means a licensed pharmacist in good standing who meets the 4 requirements specified in 37-7-306. 5 "Collaborative pharmacy practice" means the practice of pharmacy by a pharmacist who has (6) 6 agreed to work in conjunction with one or more prescribers, on a voluntary basis and under protocol, and who 7 may perform certain patient care functions under certain specified conditions or limitations authorized by the 8 prescriber. 9 (7) "Collaborative pharmacy practice agreement" means a written and signed agreement between 10 one or more pharmacists and one or more prescribers that provides for collaborative pharmacy practice for the 11 purpose of drug therapy management of patients. 12 "Commercial purposes" means the ordinary purposes of trade, agriculture, industry, and (8) 13 commerce, exclusive of the practices of medicine and pharmacy. 14 (9) "Compounding" means the preparation, mixing, assembling, packaging, or labeling of a drug or 15 device based on: 16 (a) a practitioner's prescription drug order; 17 (b) a professional practice relationship between a practitioner, pharmacist, and patient; 18 research, instruction, or chemical analysis, but not for sale or dispensing; or (c) the preparation of drugs or devices based on routine, regularly observed prescribing patterns. 19 (d) 20 (10)"Confidential patient information" means privileged information accessed by, maintained by, or 21 transmitted to a pharmacist in patient records or that is communicated to the patient as part of patient 22 counseling. 23 (11)"Controlled substance" means a substance designated in Schedules II through V of Title 50, 24 chapter 32, part 2. 25 (12)"Department" means the department of labor and industry provided for in Title 2, chapter 15. 26 part 17. 27 "Device" has the same meaning as defined in 37-2-101. (13)28 (14)"Dispense" or "dispensing" means the interpretation, evaluation, and implementation of a



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1 prescription drug order, including the preparation and delivery of a drug or device to a patient or patient's agent 2 in a suitable container appropriately labeled for administration to or use by a patient. 3 (15)"Distribute" or "distribution" means the sale, purchase, trade, delivery, handling, storage, or 4 receipt of a drug or device and does not include administering or dispensing a prescription drug, pursuant to 5 section 353(b)(1), or a new animal drug, pursuant to section 360b(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic 6 Act, 21 U.S.C. 301, et seq. 7 "Drug" means a substance: (16)8 (a) recognized as a drug in any official compendium or supplement; 9 (b) intended for use in diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in humans or 10 animals; 11 (c) other than food, intended to affect the structure or function of the body of humans or animals; 12 and 13 (d) intended for use as a component of a substance specified in subsection (16)(a), (16)(b), or 14 (16)(c). 15 (17)"Drug utilization review" means an evaluation of a prescription drug order and patient records 16 for duplication of therapy, interactions, proper utilization, and optimum therapeutic outcomes. The term includes but is not limited to the following evaluations: 17 18 known allergies; (a) 19 (b) rational therapy contraindications; 20 (c) reasonable dose and route administration; 21 (d) reasonable directions for use; 22 (e) drug-drug interactions; 23 (f) drug-food interactions; 24 (g) drug-disease interactions; and 25 (h) adverse drug reactions. 26 (18)"Equivalent drug product" means a drug product that has the same established name, active 27 ingredient or ingredients, strength or concentration, dosage form, and route of administration and meets the 28 same standards as another drug product as determined by any official compendium or supplement. Equivalent



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1 drug products may differ in shape, scoring, configuration, packaging, excipients, and expiration time. 2 "FDA" means the United States food and drug administration. (19)3 (20)"Health care facility" has the meaning provided in 50-5-101. 4 (21)(a) "Health clinic" means a facility in which advice, counseling, diagnosis, treatment, surgery, 5 care, or services relating to preserving or maintaining health are provided on an outpatient basis for a period of 6 less than 24 consecutive hours to a person not residing at or confined to the facility. 7 (b) The term includes an outpatient center for primary care and an outpatient center for surgical 8 services, as those terms are defined in 50-5-101, and a local public health agency as defined in 50-1-101. 9 The term does not include a facility that provides routine health screenings, health education, (c) or immunizations. 10 11 (22)"Health information system" means one of the following systems used to compile and manage 12 patient health care information: 13 an electronic health record system; (a) 14 a health information exchange approved by the board; (b) 15 (c) a pharmacy dispensing system; or 16 (d) a system defined by the board by rule. 17 (23)"Hospital" has the meaning provided in 50-5-101. 18 "Immunization-certified pharmacist" means a pharmacist who: (24)19 (a) has successfully completed an immunization delivery course of training that is approved by the 20 accreditation council for pharmacy education or by an authority approved by the board and that, at a minimum, 21 includes instruction in hands-on injection technique, clinical evaluation of indications and contraindications of 22 immunizations, storage and handling of immunizations, and documentation and reporting; and 23 (b) holds a current basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation certification issued by the American heart 24 association, the American red cross, or another recognized provider. 25 (25)"Intern" means: 26 a person who is licensed by the state to engage in the practice of pharmacy while under the (a) 27 personal supervision of a preceptor and who is satisfactorily progressing toward meeting the requirements for 28 licensure as a pharmacist;



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(b) 1 a graduate of an accredited college of pharmacy who is licensed by the state for the purpose of 2 obtaining practical experience as a requirement for licensure as a pharmacist; 3 a qualified applicant awaiting examination for licensure; or (c) 4 (d) a person participating in a residency or fellowship program. 5 (26)"Long-term care facility" has the meaning provided in 50-5-101. 6 (27)"Manufacturing" means the production, preparation, propagation, conversion, or processing of 7 a drug or device, either directly or indirectly, by extraction from substances of natural origin or independently by 8 means of chemical or biological synthesis. 9 (28)"Medicine" means a remedial agent that has the property of curing, preventing, treating, or 10 mitigating diseases or which is used for this purpose. 11 (29)"Outsourcing facility" means a facility at one geographic location or address that: 12 (a) engages in compounding of sterile drugs; has elected to register as an outsourcing facility with FDA; and 13 (b) 14 complies with all the requirements of section 353b of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic (c) 15 Act, 21 U.S.C. 301 et seq. 16 (30)"Participant" means a physician's office, pharmacy, hospital, or health clinic that has elected to 17 voluntarily participate in the cancer drug repository program provided for in 37-7-1403 and that accepts donated 18 cancer drugs or devices under rules adopted by the board. 19 (31)"Patient counseling" means the communication by the pharmacist of information, as defined by 20 the rules of the board, to the patient or caregiver in order to ensure the proper use of drugs or devices. 21 (32)"Person" includes an individual, partnership, corporation, association, or other legal entity. 22 (33)"Pharmaceutical care" means the provision of drug therapy and other patient care services 23 intended to achieve outcomes related to the cure or prevention of a disease, elimination or reduction of a 24 patient's symptoms, or arresting or slowing of a disease process. 25 (34)"Pharmacist" means a person licensed by the state to engage in the practice of pharmacy and 26 who may affix to the person's name the term "R.Ph.". 27 (35)"Pharmacy" means an established location, either physical or electronic, registered by the 28 board where drugs or devices are dispensed with pharmaceutical care or where pharmaceutical care is



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1	provided.	
2	(36)	"Pharmacy technician" means an individual who assists a pharmacist in the practice of
3	pharmacy.	
4	(37)	"Poison" means a substance that, when introduced into the system, either directly or by
5	absorption, pr	oduces violent, morbid, or fatal changes or that destroys living tissue with which it comes in
6	contact.	
7	(38)	"Practice of pharmacy" means:
8	(a)	interpreting, evaluating, and implementing prescriber orders;
9	(b)	administering drugs and devices pursuant to a collaborative practice agreement, except as
10	provided in 37	'-7-105, and compounding, labeling, dispensing, and distributing drugs and devices, including
11	patient counse	eling;
12	(c)	properly and safely procuring, storing, distributing, and disposing of drugs and devices and
13	maintaining pi	roper records;
14	(d)	monitoring drug therapy and use;
15	(e)	initiating or modifying drug therapy in accordance with collaborative pharmacy practice
16	agreements e	stablished and approved by health care facilities or voluntary agreements with prescribers;
17	(f)	participating in quality assurance and performance improvement activities;
18	(g)	providing information on drugs, dietary supplements, and devices to patients, the public, and
19	other health c	are providers; and
20	(h)	participating in scientific or clinical research as an investigator or in collaboration with other
21	investigators.	
22	(39)	"Practice pharmacy by means of telehealth" means to provide pharmaceutical care through the
23	use of informa	ation technology to patients at a distance.
24	(40)	"Preceptor" means an individual who is registered by the board and participates in the
25	instructional tr	raining of a pharmacy intern.
26	(41)	"Prescriber" has the same meaning as provided in 37-7-502.
27	(42)	"Prescription drug" means any drug that is required by federal law or regulation to be
28	dispensed onl	y by a prescription subject to section 353(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, 21

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- (43) "Prescription drug order" means an order from a prescriber for a drug or device that is communicated directly or indirectly by the prescriber to the furnisher by means of a signed order, by electronic transmission, in person, or by telephone. The order must include the name and address of the prescriber, the prescriber's license classification, the name and address of the patient, the name, strength, and quantity of the drug, drugs, or device prescribed, the directions for use, and the date of its issue. These stipulations apply to written, oral, electronically transmitted, and telephoned prescriptions and orders derived from collaborative pharmacy practice.
- (44) "Provisional community pharmacy" means a pharmacy that has been approved by the board, including but not limited to federally qualified health centers, as defined in 42 CFR 405.2401, where prescription drugs are dispensed to appropriately screened, qualified patients.
- (45) "Qualified patient" means a person who is uninsured, indigent, or has insufficient funds to obtain needed prescription drugs or cancer drugs.
 - (46) "Registry" means the prescription drug registry provided for in 37-7-1502.
- (47) "Utilization plan" means a plan under which a pharmacist may use the services of a pharmacy technician in the practice of pharmacy to perform tasks that:
 - (a) do not require the exercise of the pharmacist's independent professional judgment; and
- 18 (b) are verified by the pharmacist.
- 19 (48)(47) "Wholesale" means a sale for the purpose of resale."

21 **Section 95.** Section 37-7-201, MCA, is amended to read:

- "37-7-201. Organization -- powers Powers and duties -- rulemaking authority. (1) The board shall meet at least once a year to transact its business. The board shall annually elect from its members a president, vice president, and secretary.
 - (2) The board shall regulate the practice of pharmacy in this state, including but not limited to:
- 26 (a) establishing establish minimum standards for:
- 27 (i)(a) necessary pharmacy equipment necessary in and for a pharmacy;
- 28 (ii)(b) the purity and quality of drugs, devices, and other materials dispensed within the state through



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1	problems, or ordering tests under the direction or supervision of a prescriber."
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3	Section 96. Section 37-7-308, MCA, is amended to read:
4	"37-7-308. Preparation and approval of utilization plan revocation of or refusal to renew plan
5	contested case hearing inspection. (1) A supervising pharmacist shall:
6	(a)(1) prepare the utilization plan and submit a summary of the plan to the board for approval upon
7	initial application;
8	(b)(2) keep on file in the pharmacy a copy of comply with and maintain the utilization plan for
9	department inspection by the board; and
10	(c)(3) annually review the utilization plan and provide documentation to the board to ensure that the
11	plan accurately reflects the current use of the services of a pharmacy technician or auxiliary.
12	(2) The board shall refuse to approve or shall revoke or fail to renew approval of a utilization plan if it
13	does not conform to the provisions of 37-7-307 through 37-7-309 and rules adopted under those sections.
14	(3) One year after the board revokes approval of a utilization plan, the supervising pharmacist may
15	reapply for approval by complying with the requirements of 37-7-307 through 37-7-309 and with rules adopted
16	under those sections.
17	(4) Before refusing to approve or before revoking or failing to renew approval of a utilization plan, the
18	board shall provide the supervising pharmacist a reasonable time in which to supply additional information
19	demonstrating compliance with the requirements of 37-7-307 through 37-7-309 and with rules adopted under
20	those sections and the opportunity to request a hearing.
21	(5) If a supervising pharmacist requests a hearing, the board shall conduct the hearing in accordance
22	with the contested case procedures in Title 2, chapter 4, part 6."
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24	Section 97. Section 37-7-323, MCA, is amended to read:
25	"37-7-323. Penalty enforcement. (1) A person, firm, partnership, or corporation violating any of the
26	provisions of parts 1 through 3 of this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction for each violation
27	shall automatically lose any license issued by the board.



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(2) In addition to the penalty provided in subsection (1), the board may withdraw its approval of a

1	utilization plan previously approved for a supervising pharmacist who:
2	(a) violates any provision of 37-7-307 through 37-7-309 or 37-7-308 or rules adopted under those
3	sections;
4	(b) obtained the approval of the utilization plan through fraud; or
5	(c) acts in a manner contrary to the terms of the utilization plan.
6	(3) The board may seek an injunction to enforce the provisions of subsection (2)."
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8	Section 97. Section 37-7-506, MCA, is amended to read:
9	"37-7-506. Notice to purchaser. (1) A pharmacist who selects a drug product, as provided in 37-7-
10	505, shall notify the person individual presenting the prescription that the person individual may refuse the
11	product selection as provided in 37-7-505.
12	(2) Each pharmacy shall display in a prominent place that is in clear and unobstructed public view, at
13	or near the place where prescriptions are dispensed, a sign stating: "This pharmacy may be able to select a
14	less expensive drug product that is equivalent to the one prescribed by your physician unless you or your
15	physician request otherwise." The printing on the sign must be in block letters not less than 1 inch in height."
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17	Section 98. Section 37-7-604, MCA, is amended to read:
18	"37-7-604. Wholesale distributor, third-party logistics provider, manufacturer, and repackager
19	licensing requirements license required fee qualifications federal compliance. (1) A person or
20	distribution outlet may not act as a wholesale distributor, third-party logistics provider, manufacturer, or
21	repackager without first obtaining a license from the board and paying the license fee unless licensed under
22	Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter.
23	(2) A license may not be issued or renewed for An applicant for initial licensure or license renewal
24	as a wholesale distributor, third-party logistics provider, manufacturer, or repackager to operate in this state
25	unless the applicant: must
26	(a) agrees agree to abide by federal and state law and to comply with the rules adopted by the FDA
27	and the board ; and
28	(b) pays the license fee set by the board.



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- 2 (ii) inventory inaccuracies or product shipping and receiving;
- 3 (iii) insufficient inspections for all incoming and outgoing product shipments;
- 4 (iv) lack of control of outdated or other unauthorized products;
- 5 (v) inappropriate disposition of returned goods; and
- 6 (vi) failure to promptly comply with product recalls; and
- 7 (h) operations in compliance with all federal requirements applicable to a wholesale distributor, 8 third-party logistics provider, manufacturer, or repackager.
 - (5) An agent or employee of a licensed wholesale distributor, third-party logistics provider, manufacturer, or repackager need not be licensed as a wholesale distributor, third-party logistics provider, manufacturer, or repackager.
 - (6) For purposes of this section, all <u>All</u> rules and regulations promulgated by the board <u>pertaining</u> to this section must conform to the wholesale distributor, third-party logistics provider, manufacturer, and repackager licensing guidelines and rules formally adopted by the FDA. If a conflict arises between an FDA guideline or rule and a rule or regulation of the board, the former controls.
 - (7) Wholesale distributors, third-party logistics providers, manufacturers, and repackagers licensed by the board shall comply with the tracing requirements defined in sections 353 and 360eee of the Drug Supply Chain Security Act, 21 U.S.C. 301, et seq., and all corresponding guidelines and rules."

Section 99. Section 37-7-703, MCA, is amended to read:

"37-7-703. Registration requirements Out-of-state mail order pharmacy -- registration requirements. Each out-of-state mail service-order pharmacy must be registered with the board of pharmacy under Title 37, chapter 1, and this chapter. In order to be registered with the board to do business in this state and for the renewal of its To be registered and to renew the registration, an out-of-state mail service-order pharmacy shall:

- (1) (a) shall submit a certificate from the appropriate-licensing authority with which it is currently licensed and in good standing in the state in which its dispensing facilities are located; and
- 28 (b)(2) shall comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and standards of that state and the United



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(2)(3) shall register with the board and provide information on ownership and location, including the names and titles of the corporate officers, of the out-of-state mail service order pharmacy and the identity of a pharmacist licensed in the state in which the pharmacy is located who is in charge of dispensing prescriptions for shipment to Montana from the out-of-state mail service order pharmacy; and

(3)(4)—shall submit a utilization plan for the employment of pharmacy technicians if allowed required by the state where the mail service order pharmacy is located. If the state in which the pharmacy is located does not establish a ratio of technicians to pharmacists for determining the number of pharmacy technicians or otherwise define the role of the pharmacist in compounding or dispensing drugs at the pharmacy, then the out-of-state mail service pharmacy may not allow a pharmacist to supervise more than one supportive person at any one time in the compounding or dispensing of prescription drugs, unless approved by the board as provided in 37-7-307 through 37-7-309; and

(4)(5)(4) shall submit to the board proof of the pharmacist's good standing with the licensing authority in the state where the pharmacist is employed and the pharmacist's written commitment to comply with the utilization plan, if any, for each pharmacist identified under subsection (2)(3) and shall provide to the board the same toll-free telephone service referenced in 37-7-706 in order to comply with all information requests by the board; and

(5) shall pay an initial registration fee and a periodic renewal fee in an amount to be determined by the board and at a time established by the department by rule."

Section 100. Section 37-8-202, MCA, is amended to read:

22 "37-8-202. Organization -- meetings -- powers Power and duties -- rulemaking authority. (1) The 23 board shall:

- (a) meet annually and elect from among the members a president and a secretary;
- 25 (b) hold other meetings when necessary to transact its business;
- 26 (c)(a) prescribe standards for schools preparing persons individuals for registration and licensure 27 under this chapter;
- 28 (d)(b) provide for surveys of schools at times the board considers necessary;



1	behavior analyst <u>must</u> an individual who :
2	(a) submits an application as determined by the board by rule;
3	(b) pays required applicant fees and subsequent renewal fees;
4	(c) submits a full set of the applicant's fingerprints to the board to facilitate a fingerprint-based criminal
5	record background check by the Montana department of justice and the federal bureau of investigation. The
6	board may not disseminate criminal history record information resulting from the background check across state
7	lines.
8	(d)(a) provides evidence of current have certification at the appropriate level from the behavior
9	analyst certification board;
10	(e) is of good moral character; and
11	(f)(b) attests have attested to abiding by professional and ethical requirements indicated in the
12	Professional and Ethical Compliance Code for Behavior Analysts recognized by the behavior analyst
13	certification board-;
14	(3) To obtain a license as a behavior analyst, an individual must meet the requirements in subsection
15	(2) and:
16	(a)(c) have passed the applicable board-certified behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst
17	examination by the behavior analyst certification board; and
18	(b) be currently certified as a behavior analyst by the behavior analyst certification board; and
19	(c)(d) have met the educational course work and requirements set by the board by rule.
20	(4) To obtain a license as an assistant behavior analyst, an individual must meet the requirements in
21	subsection (2) and:
22	(a) have passed the board-certified assistant behavior analyst examination by the behavior analyst
23	certification board;
24	(b) be currently certified as an assistant behavior analyst by the behavior analyst certification board;
25	and
26	(c) have met the educational course work and requirements set by the board by rule."
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28	Section 123. Section 37-18-101, MCA, is amended to read:



1	" 37-18-101. (Temporary) Definitions. Unless the context requires otherwise, in this chapter the
2	following definitions apply:
3	(1) "Board" means the board of veterinary medicine provided for in 2-15-1742.
4	(2) "Department" means the department of labor and industry provided for in Title 2, chapter 15, part
5	17.
6	37-18-101. (Effective January 1, 2023) Definitions. Unless the context requires otherwise, As used
7	in this chapter, the following definitions apply:
8	(1) "Board" means the board of veterinary medicine provided for in 2-15-1742.
9	(2) "Department" means the department of labor and industry provided for in Title 2, chapter 15, part
10	17."
11	(3)(2) "Direct supervision" means direction on an animal patient's care provided supervision and
12	instruction on the care of a specific animal by a veterinarian licensed under this chapter who is on the premises
13	and readily available to take over direct care of or to consult on animal veterinary medical care directly with a
14	licensed veterinary technician.
15	(4)(3)(2) "Emergency" means a life-threatening condition in which immediate treatment is
16	necessary to sustain life or, if death is imminent, to relieve pain and suffering.
17	(5)(4) "Immediate supervision" means direction on an animal patient's care provided supervision by a
18	veterinarian licensed under this chapter who is within direct eyesight and hearing range of a licensed veterinary
19	technician and immediately available to take over veterinary medical care.
20	(6)(5) "Indirect supervision" means direction on an animal patient's care supervision provided by a
21	veterinarian licensed under this chapter who is not on the premises but is readily available to perform the duties
22	of a licensed veterinarian by maintaining direct communication with a licensed veterinary technician and who is
23	in compliance with 37-18-309 communicate with electronically.
24	(3) "Supervision" means instruction on the care of a specific animal by a veterinarian to a
25	veterinary technician under three levels of supervision as follows from the highest to lowest level:
26	(a) "immediate" means within direct eyesight and hearing range and immediately available to take
27	over care or consult;
28	(b) "direct" means on the same premises and readily available to take over care or consult; and



1	(c) "indirect" means to be readily available to communicate electronically to direct care or consult.
2	(6)(4) "Veterinary medicine" means to:
3	(a) diagnose, prescribe, or administer a drug, medicine, appliance, application, or treatment or
4	perform a surgical operation or manipulation for the prevention, cure, or relief of a pain, deformity, wound,
5	fracture, bodily injury, physical condition, or disease of animals;
6	(b) instruct, demonstrate, or solicit by a notice, sign, or other indication, with contract either
7	express or implied, or otherwise, with or without the necessary instruments, for the administration of biologics of
8	medicines or animal disease cures for the prevention and treatment of disease of animals and remedies for the
9	treatment of internal parasites in animals;
10	(c) perform a manual or laboratory procedure on livestock for the diagnosis of pregnancy, sterility,
11	or infertility for remuneration or hire, except that a person or the person's agent may conduct pregnancy testing
12	of the person's own farm animals;
13	(d) perform acupuncture, ova or embryo transfer, or dentistry on animals; and
14	(e) instruct others, except as exempted in 37-18-104(4) for compensation, to practice veterinary
15	medicine.
16	(7)(5) "Veterinary technician" means an employee of a veterinarianindividual with an advanced level
17	of training or experience who performs delegated tasks under the direct, immediate, or indirect supervision of a
18	veterinarian as prescribed in this chapter and board rule."
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20	Section 124. Section 37-18-104, MCA, is amended to read:
21	" 37-18-104. (Temporary) Exemptions rules. (1) This chapter does not apply to:
22	(a) a veterinarian in the performance of the veterinarian's official duties, either civil or military, in the
23	service of the United States unless the veterinarian is engaged in the practice of veterinary medicine in a
24	private capacity;
25	(b) laboratory technicians and veterinary research workers, as distinguished from veterinarians, in the
26	employ of this state or the United States and engaged in labors in laboratories under the direct supervision of
27	the board of livestock, Montana state university-Bozeman, or the United States;
28	(c) a veterinarian practicing in another state or country and authorized under the laws of that state or



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1 public trust and if the board determines that the applicant is not, the license may be denied.

(7) A person holding a license to practice as a licensed addiction counselor in this state may use

3 the title "licensed addiction counselor"."

5 **Section 160.** Section 37-36-204, MCA, is amended to read:

6 "37-36-204. Application and administration of topical medications <u>-- recordkeeping</u>. (1) A

licensed athletic trainer may apply or administer topical medications by:

- 8 (a) direct application;
- 9 (b) iontophoresis, a process by which topical medications are applied through the use of with
- 10 electricity; or

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- 11 (c) phonophoresis, a process by which topical medications are applied through the use of with
- 12 ultrasound.
- 13 (2) A licensed athletic trainer may apply or administer the following topical medications:
- 14 (a) bactericidal agents;
- 15 (b) debriding agents;
- 16 (c) anesthetic agents;
- 17 (d) anti-inflammatory agents;
- 18 (e) antispasmodic agents; and
- 19 (f) adrenocorticosteroids.
- 20 (3) Topical medications applied or administered by a licensed athletic trainer must be prescribed
- 21 on a specific or standing basis by a licensed medical practitioner authorized to order or prescribe topical
- medications and must be purchased from a pharmacy certified under 37-7-321 [section 16]. Topical
- 23 medications dispensed under this section must comply with packaging and labeling guidelines developed by
- the board of pharmacy under Title 37, chapter 7.
- 25 (4) Appropriate recordkeeping is required of a licensed athletic trainer who applies or administers
- 26 topical medications as authorized in this section."

28 **Section 161.** Section 37-37-201, MCA, is amended to read:



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"37-37-201. License requirements -- exemptions. (1) An applicant for a license shall pay an application fee set by the board by rule. The board may provide a separate, combined fee for persons licensed by the board holding dual licenses. An applicant for a license under this section shall also complete an application on a form provided by the department and provide documentation to the board that the applicant:

- (a) (i) has a master's degree or a doctoral degree in marriage and family therapy from a recognized educational institution or a degree from a program accredited by the commission on accreditation for marriage and family therapy education;
- (ii) has a graduate degree in an allied field from a recognized educational institution and graduate level work that the board determines to be the equivalent of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy or marriage and family counseling; or
- (iii) has met additional postdegree experience requirements set by the board by rule as being equivalent to the degree requirements in subsection (1)(a)(i) or (1)(a)(ii) if the applicant does not have a degree as provided in subsection (1)(a)(i) or (1)(a)(ii);
 - (b) has successfully passed an examination prescribed by the board;
- (c) has worked under the direct supervision of a qualified supervisor for at least 3,000 hours, including 1,000 hours of face-to-face client contact in the practice of marriage and family therapy, of which up to 500 hours may be accumulated while achieving the educational credentials listed in subsection (1)(a)(i) or (1)(a)(ii); and
- (d) is of good moral character. Being of good moral character includes in its meaning that the applicant has not been convicted by a court of competent jurisdiction of a crime described by board rule as being of a nature that renders the applicant unfit to practice marriage and family therapy.
- (2) As a prerequisite to the issuance of a license, the board shall require the applicant to submit fingerprints for the purpose of fingerprint checks by the Montana department of justice and the federal bureau of investigation as provided in 37-1-307 [section 4].
- (3) If an applicant has a history of criminal convictions, then pursuant to 37-1-203, the applicant has the opportunity to demonstrate to the board that the applicant is sufficiently rehabilitated to warrant the public trust, and if the board determines that the applicant is not, the license may be denied.
- (4) An applicant is exempt from the examination requirement in subsection (1)(b) if the board is



1	satisfied that:
2	(a) the applicant is licensed, certified, or registered under the laws of a state or territory of the
3	United States that imposes substantially the same requirements as this chapter and has passed an
4	examination similar to that required by the board ; or
5	(b) the applicant is licensed as a clinical social worker under Title 37, chapter 22, or as a clinical
6	professional counselor under Title 37, chapter 23, and has practiced marriage and family therapy within the
7	state for a period prescribed by the board.
8	(5) A person is exempt from licensure as a marriage and family therapist if the person practices
9	marriage and family therapy÷
10	(a) under qualified supervision in a training institution or facility or other supervisory arrangements
11	approved by the board and uses the title of intern;
12	(b) as part of the person's duties as a member of the clergy or priesthood; or
13	(c) while registered as a social worker licensure candidate, professional counselor licensure
14	candidate, or marriage and family therapist licensure candidate."
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16	Section 162. Section 37-37-205, MCA, is amended to read:
17	"37-37-205. Marriage and family therapist licensure candidate registration renewal
18	standards. (1) A person who has completed the education required for licensure but who has not completed
19	the supervised work experience required for licensure shall register as a marriage and family therapist licensure
20	candidate in order to engage in marriage and family therapy and earn supervised work experience hours in thi
21	state.
22	(2) To register, the person shall submit:
23	(a) the application and fee required by the board;
24	(b) proof of completion of the education requirement;
25	(c) fingerprints for the purpose of fingerprint checks by the Montana department of justice and the
26	federal bureau of investigation as provided in 37-1-307 [section 4];
27	(d) proof of good moral character; and
28	(e) a training and supervision plan that meets the requirements set by the board.



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- 1 37-73-220. License renewal -- continuing education.
- 2 37-73-221. Reasonable fees -- deposit of fees and fines.
- 3 37-73-225. Proof of license.
- 4 37-73-226. Failure to display license.

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- <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Section 245. Repealer.** The following sections of the Montana Code Annotated are repealed:
- 8 37-7-307. Utilization plan -- contents -- responsibility of pharmacist.
- 9 37-7-308. Preparation and approval of utilization plan -- revocation of or refusal to renew plan --
- 10 contested case hearing.
- 11 37-7-323. Penalty -- enforcement.

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- NEW SECTION. Section 246. Codification instruction. (1) [Sections 1 through 6] are intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 37, chapter 1, and the provisions of Title 37, chapter 1, apply to [sections 1 through 6].
- 16 (2) [Sections 7 through 10] are intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 37, chapter 1, part 1, and the provisions of Title 37, chapter 1, part 1, apply to [sections 7 through 10].
- 18 (3) [Sections 11 and 12] are intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 37, chapter 1, part 19 3, and the provisions of Title 37, chapter 1, part 3, apply to [sections 11 and 12].
- 20 (4) [Section 13] is intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 37, chapter 3, part 3, and the 21 provisions of Title 37, chapter 3, part 3, apply to [section 13].
- 22 (5) [Section 14] is intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 37, chapter 6, part 3, and the 23 provisions of Title 37, chapter 6, part 3, apply to [section 14].
- 24 (6) [Sections 15 and 16] are intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 37, chapter 7, part 3, and the provisions of Title 37, chapter 7, part 3, apply to [sections 15 and 16].
- 26 (7) [Section 17] is intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 37, chapter 10, part 3, and the 27 provisions of Title 37, chapter 10, part 3, apply to [section 17].
- 28 (8) [Section 18] is intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 37, chapter 11, part 3, and the

