

**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT
DIGEST FOR SB 124**

Citations Affected: IC 25-23.6.

Synopsis: Licensure exception for certain employees. Provides that an individual who is employed by certain state government agencies in certain job classifications is exempted from having to obtain a license as a social worker, clinical social worker, or mental health counselor for as long as the individual remains in the same job classification or job family of that job classification. (This conference committee report: (1) removes the exemption of government employees from licensure as a marriage and family therapist; (2) removes a provision allowing the social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor board to waive or modify certain mental health counselor licensure requirements regarding education based on an applicant's demonstration of sufficient experience and knowledge in the practice of mental health counseling; (3) removes an exemption to mental health counselor licensure until December 1, 1999, for individuals with certain experience and education; (4) removes a provision requiring the social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor board to add the Indiana council of community mental health centers to the list of organizations that are approved as a sponsor for continuing education; and (5) makes a technical correction.)

Effective: July 1, 1999.

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MR. PRESIDENT:

Your Conference Committee appointed to confer with a like committee from the House upon Engrossed House Amendments to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 124 respectfully reports that said two committees have conferred and agreed as follows to wit:

that the Senate recede from its dissent from all House amendments and that the Senate now concur in all House amendments to the bill and that the bill be further amended as follows:

- 1 Page 1, line 2, delete "FOLLOWS[EFFECTIVE]" and insert
- 2 "FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE".
- 3 Page 2, delete lines 8 through 42.
- 4 Page 4, delete lines 31 through 42.
- 5 Delete pages 5 through 7.
- 6 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.
(Reference is to ESB 124 as reprinted April 7, 1999.)

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on
Engrossed Senate Bill 124

Signed by:

Senator Miller

Representative Tincher

Senator Craycraft

Representative Goeglein

Senate Conferees

House Conferees