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Senate Bill 657 (as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Senator Dale L. Sugars
Committee: Economic Development, International Trade and Regulatory Affairs

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Public Health Code to provide for the registration and regulation of social workers, and specify application and license fees (which would be the same as current fees). The bill also would repeal Article 16 of the Occupational Code, which currently provides for the registration and regulation of social workers, and provisions in the State License Fee Act that provide for an application fee and an annual registration fee (MCL 338.2245).

The bill would create the Michigan Board of Social Work in the Department of Consumer and Industry Services and require the Board to register social workers. A person registered under current provisions of the Occupational Code on the bill's effective date would remain registered until the registration expired; then he or she could renew the registration under the provisions of the Public Health Code.

The mandatory academic training for social workers would have to be obtained from an accredited training program, college, or university that was approved by the Board.

MCL 333.16131 et al.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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