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Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 3 by striking out all of the last 3 lines (page 1, lines 16 to 18 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'Notwithstanding the requirements for conditional licensure in section 13851, subsection 4, the board may grant a temporary conditional license for a period not to exceed 6 months to an applicant who meets the requirements of this subsection except for the successful completion of the examination prescribed by the board. In addition, the applicant must be employed at an agency under clinical supervision and must apply for and successfully complete the examination within this 6-month period. If the applicant fails the examination, the applicant is prohibited from using any clinical experience gained during the 6-month period that the applicant held the temporary conditional license to qualify for licensure.'

Amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

**'Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

## **PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

### **Administrative Services - Professional and Financial Regulation 0094**

Initiative: Allocates one-time funds for the costs associated with establishing a new license category in the agency's licensing system.

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>
All Other	\$2,500	\$0
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<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>

### **Licensing and Enforcement 0352**

Initiative: Allocates one-time funding for the costs associated with rulemaking.

<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>
All Other	\$1,500	\$0
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<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$4,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$4,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>

### **SUMMARY**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. It replaces the provision of the bill that allows the Board of Counseling Professionals Licensure to grant a provisional license as a marriage and family therapist and provides that the board may grant a temporary conditional license for a period not to exceed 6 months to an applicant who meets the requirements for licensure except for the successful completion of the examination prescribed by the board. It also requires the applicant to be employed at an agency under clinical supervision and to apply for and successfully complete the examination within this 6-month period. The amendment also provides that if the applicant fails the examination, the applicant is prohibited from using any clinical experience gained during the 6-month period that the applicant held the temporary conditional license to qualify for licensure.

The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

### **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)**