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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1256

5 By: Representative Wooldridge
6 By: Senator Irvin
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN
10 COUNSELING TO ISSUE A PROVISIONAL LICENSE FOR A
11 LICENSED ASSOCIATE *COUNSELOR AND A LICENSED ASSOCIATE*
12 *MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST*; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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17 *TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS BOARD OF*
18 *EXAMINERS IN COUNSELING TO ISSUE A*
19 *PROVISIONAL LICENSE FOR A LICENSED*
20 *ASSOCIATE COUNSELOR AND A LICENSED*
21 *ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST.*
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-27-302, concerning the qualifications to
26 become a licensed associate counselor, is amended to add an additional
27 subsection to read as follows:

28 (e)(1) Upon application and satisfactory documentation of all
29 requirements, the board shall issue a provisional license to an applicant to
30 be a licensed associate counselor if he or she qualifies under this section.

31 (2) A provisional license under subdivision (e)(1) of this
32 section:

33 (A) Is valid for one (1) year and up to three (3) attempts
34 to pass the examination under § 17-27-306; and

35 (B) Cannot be renewed.
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