ENGROSSED SENATE
BILL NO. 1637

By: Johnson (Constance) of the Senate

and

Morgan (Fred) of the House

An Act relating to professions and occupations; amending 59 O.S. 2001, Section 1261.5, as amended by Section 11, Chapter 85, O.S.L. 2003 (59 O.S. Supp. 2005, Section 1261.5), which relates to temporary licenses; deleting provision allowing certain provisional license; providing exception; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 1261.5, as amended by Section 11, Chapter 85, O.S.L. 2003 (59 O.S. Supp. 2005, Section 1261.5), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1261.5 Upon certification by the State Board of Licensed Social Workers, the Board shall authorize the issuance of provisional licenses to persons who have met all qualifications for licensure under provisions of the Social Worker's Licensing Act except passage of the required examination. Such persons shall, upon payment of the necessary fee and submission of documentation as required by the Board, be issued a provisional license subject to the following provisions:

1. If a person subsequently fails the examination, upon receipt and recording of the person's examination score by the Board, such person may retake the examination every ninety (90) days until the person passes, or until one (1) year from the date of issuance of the provisional license;

2. Upon receipt and recording of a person’s passing score by the Board, the provisional license will be replaced by a permanent license; and

3. Upon a person's failure to pass the examination within one (1) year from the date the provisional license was issued, that license will be automatically revoked. ~~The person may reapply to the Board and submit the necessary fee to obtain a new provisional license.~~

4. Revocation of the provisional license shall not preclude a person from continuing to take and pass the required examination and be eligible for a permanent license.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2006.

Passed the Senate the 1st day of March, 2006.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____, 2006.

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Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives