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**Act No. 34 (H. 62). An act relating to the interstate Counseling Compact**

**Subjects: Health; mental health; interstate Counseling Compact**

Sec. 1 of this act adopts the interstate Counseling Compact. Sec. 2 of this act authorizes the Office of Professional Regulation to inquire into the criminal background histories of applicants for initial licensure and license renewal, including for licensed clinical mental health counselors, licensed marriage and family therapists, and individuals registered on the roster for psychotherapists who are nonlicensed and noncertified. Sec. 3 of this act requires that a licensee of a remote state under the Counseling Compact pay a biennial \$50.00 privilege to practice fee.

Effective Date: Multiple effective dates, beginning on July 1, 2023