

HOUSE BILL NO. 356

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE DEFINITION OF ACCREDITED COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY AS APPLIED TO ADDICTION COUNSELORS TO INCLUDE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING THAT ARE ACCREDITED BY A NATIONAL ACCREDITING ASSOCIATION; AND AMENDING SECTION 37-35-102, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 37-35-102, MCA, is amended to read:

"37-35-102. Definitions. As used in this chapter, the following definitions apply:

- (1) "Accredited college or university" means a college or university accredited by a regional or national accrediting association for institutions of higher learning.
- (2) "Addiction" means the condition or state in which an individual is physiologically or psychologically dependent upon alcohol or other drugs. The term includes chemical dependency as defined in 53-24-103.
- (3) "Department" means the department of labor and industry provided for in 2-15-1701.
- (4) "Licensed addiction counselor" means a person who has the knowledge and skill necessary to provide the therapeutic process of addiction counseling and who is licensed under the provisions of this chapter."

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