### REVISED

# STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

### RS31866 / S1018

This piece of legislation amends the licensing requirements of counselors and therapists for fingerprint criminal background checks to be required only when the Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses determines fingerprinting is necessary.

H 490, 2024, added a fingerprinting requirement for licensing counselors and therapists in anticipation of the passage of an Interstate Counselor Compact. As such, these amendments are necessary because the anticipated Compact did not pass but do not amend or modify the Division's current operations in a substantive way.

# **FISCAL NOTE**

This legislation will have no impact on the state's General Fund or any dedicated fund or federal fund because there are no increased fees to registered contractors. There may be an increase in revenue for second violations of either registered contractors or unregistered individuals.

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