## IN THE SENATE

## SENATE BILL NO. 1088

## BY HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO PSYCHOLOGISTS; AMENDING SECTION 54-2302, IDAHO CODE, TO DE-2 FINE A TERM; AMENDING SECTION 54-2304, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE A RE-3 QUIREMENT FOR THE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGIST EXAMINERS; AMENDING SECTION 4 5 54-2305, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR COLLABORATION; AMENDING SECTION 54-2307, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR A FINGERPRINT-BASED CRIMINAL HIS-6 TORY BACKGROUND CHECK AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING 7 SECTION 54-2312, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR A FINGERPRINT-BASED CRIM-8 INAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECK; AMENDING SECTION 54-2312A, IDAHO CODE, 9 10 TO PROVIDE FOR A FINGERPRINT-BASED CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECK; REPEALING SECTION 54-2313, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO THE UNAUTHORIZED 11 PRACTICE OF MEDICINE; AMENDING SECTION 54-2316, IDAHO CODE, TO RE-12 VISE PROVISIONS REGARDING PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTION 13 54-2317, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING PRESCRIPTIVE AU-14 15 THORITY PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATION; AMENDING SECTION 54-2318, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING CERTIFICATION FOR PRESCRIPTIVE 16 AUTHORITY; REPEALING SECTION 54-2320, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO AN AD-17 VISORY PANEL TO REVIEW AND ADVISE THE BOARD ON PROPOSED PRESCRIPTIVE 18 19 RULES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

20 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

21 SECTION 1. That Section 54-2302, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 22 amended to read as follows:

54-2302. DEFINITIONS. Within the meaning For the purposes of this
 chapter, the following definitions apply:

(1) "Department" means the department of self-governing agencies ofthe state of Idaho.

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(2) "Board" means the Idaho state board of psychologist examiners.

(3) "Collaborative agreement" means a written agreement between a li censed psychologist who is applying for provisional prescriptive authority
 or gaining prescriptive authority experience with pediatric or geriatric
 patients and a collaborative prescriber that outlines the nature of the
 collaborative relationship, including but not limited to frequency of col laborative consultation and procedures for emergency situations.

(4) "Collaborative prescriber" means a physician, advanced practice
 registered nurse, pharmacist, or prescribing psychologist with a minimum of
 two (2) years of experience in the management of psychotropic medication who
 is licensed pursuant to this title or an equivalent licensing provision of
 the law of another state in good standing.

39 (3) (5) "Division administrator" means the chief administrative offi 40 cer of the division of occupational and professional licenses.

(4) (6) "Licensed medical provider" means a physician or physician as sistant licensed pursuant to chapter 18, title 54, Idaho Code, or an advanced

1 practice registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 14, title 54, Idaho 2 Code.

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(5) (7) "Person" means a human individual.

(6) (8) "Psychological services" means any services to which the words
"psychological," "psychologist" or "psychology" are applied by the person
rendering or offering to render them or to the "practice of psychology" as
defined in subsection (7) (9) of this section.

(7) (9) "Practice of psychology" means the application of established principles of learning, motivation, perception, thinking, and emotional 8 9 relationships to problems of personnel evaluation, group relations, and 10 11 behavior adjustment. The application of said principles includes, but is not restricted to, counseling and the use of psychotherapeutic measures 12 13 with persons or groups to eliminate symptomatic, maladaptive or undesired behavior so as to enhance interpersonal relationships in the areas of work, 14 family, school, and personal relationships; measuring and testing of per-15 16 sonality, intelligence, aptitudes, emotions, public opinion, attitudes, and skills; diagnosing and treating mental and emotional disorders or dis-17 abilities; and doing research on problems relating to human behavior. 18

19 (8) (10) A person represents himself to be a psychologist when he 20 "Psychologist" means any person who holds himself out to the public by any 21 title or description incorporating the words "psychological," "psycholo-22 gist" or "psychology" or offers to render or renders psychological services 23 for remuneration.

(9) (11) "Service extender" means a person who has earned a doctoral de gree in psychology, the equivalent to a master's degree in psychology while
 in a psychology doctoral program, or a master's degree in a mental health
 field and who is permitted to provide psychological services under the su pervision of a licensed psychologist.

29 (10) (12) "Temporary permit" means a document issued by the board to a 30 psychologist licensed in another state authorizing the individual to prac-31 tice psychology in Idaho for a limited period as set forth in this chapter and 32 rules of the board.

33 SECTION 2. That Section 54-2304, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 34 amended to read as follows:

54-2304. ESTABLISHMENT OF BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGIST EXAMINERS. There is
 hereby created in the division of occupational and professional licenses an
 Idaho state board of psychologist examiners as follows:

(1) Said board shall consist of four (4) licensed psychologist members
and one (1) public member who is not a practitioner or spouse of a practitioner in any health care field and who is not a convicted felon and who has
not been an applicant for licensure as a psychologist, who are citizens of
the United States, residents of the state of Idaho, and appointed by the
governor for four (4) year terms. The psychologist members' terms shall be
staggered such that only one (1) term expires June 30 of each year.

45 (2) Each psychologist board member shall be licensed under this chap-46 ter.

(3) When the term of each psychologist member of the board ends, the
governor shall appoint his successor for a term of four (4) years. The governor may consider recommendations for appointment to the board from the Idaho

1 psychological association and from any individual residing in this state.
2 Any vacancy occurring on the board shall be filled by the governor by ap3 pointment for the unexpired term. Board members shall serve at the pleasure
4 of the governor.

5 (4) At all times, the board shall have at least one (1) member who is en-6 gaged primarily in rendering services in psychology and at least one (1) mem-7 ber who is engaged primarily in teaching, training, or research in psychol-8 ogy.

9 (5) At all times, the board shall have at least one (1) member who has 10 completed a master's of science in clinical psychopharmacology degree.

(5) (6) No board member shall serve more than two (2) consecutive terms.

12 (6) (7) Each board member shall be compensated as provided by section 13 59-509(n), Idaho Code.

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(7) (8) The board shall annually in the month of July, hold a meeting,
 and elect a chairman and vice chairman. The board shall meet at such other
 times as deemed necessary and advisable by the chairman, or by a majority of
 its members, or by the governor. Reasonable notice of all meetings shall be
 given as required by law. A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum
 at any meeting or hearing.

20 SECTION 3. That Section 54-2305, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 21 amended to read as follows:

54-2305. BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGIST EXAMINERS -- POWERS. The board of psy chologist examiners shall have the following powers:

(1) To pass upon the qualifications and fitness of applicants for licenses, reciprocal licenses, certification and provisional certification
of prescriptive authority; and, at its option, to adopt and revise rules requiring applicants to pass examinations relating to their qualifications as
a prerequisite to the issuance of licenses.

(2) To adopt and, from time to time, revise such rules in accordance 29 with the provisions of chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code, and not inconsis-30 tent with the law as may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of 31 this chapter. Such rules shall include, but need not be limited to, a code 32 of ethics for psychologists in the state consistent with the current, and as 33 future amended, ethical standards for psychologists of the American psycho-34 35 logical association and the educational and professional qualifications of applicants for licensing under this chapter. 36

(3) To examine for, deny, approve, issue, revoke, suspend and renew the
licenses, permits, and certifications of psychologists, service extenders,
and psychologist applicants pursuant to this chapter, and to conduct hearings in connection therewith.

(4) To conduct hearings upon complaints concerning violations of the
 provisions of, and the rules adopted pursuant to, this chapter and cause the
 prosecution and enjoinder of all such violations.

(5) The board, or its duly appointed hearing officer, shall have the
power in any disciplinary proceeding under this chapter to administer oaths,
take depositions of witnesses within or without the state in the manner provided by law in civil cases, and may apply to any district court of this state
for a subpoena to require the attendance of such witnesses and the production of such books, records, and papers as it deems necessary. The fees and

mileage of the witnesses shall be the same as that allowed in district courts 1 2 in criminal cases, which fees and mileage shall be paid in the same manner as other expenses of the board are paid. In any case of disobedience to, or ne-3 glect of, any subpoena or subpoena duces tecum served upon any person, or the 4 5 refusal of any witness to testify to any matter regarding which he may be lawfully interrogated, it shall be the duty of any district court in this state, 6 7 on application by the board, to compel compliance with the subpoena by proceedings for contempt, as in the case of disobedience of the requirements of 8 the subpoena issued from such court for refusal to testify therein. The li-9 censed person accused in such proceedings shall have the same right of sub-10 11 poena.

(6) Proceedings before the board and judicial review of the action of
the board shall be governed by the provisions of chapter 52, title 67, Idaho
Code.

(7) To authorize, by written agreement, the division of occupationaland professional licenses as agent to act in its interest.

(8) To adopt a rule requiring continuing education as a condition ofcontinued licensure and certification.

(9) To adopt rules allowing for a temporary permit to individuals li censed as psychologists in another state authorizing such individuals to
 practice psychology in Idaho for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days pur suant to such terms and requirements as set forth in the rules.

(10) To establish by rule an inactive license status.

(11) To establish by rule the standards and requirements for the use of
 communication technology in the practice of psychology, including supervi sion and collaborative agreements.

(12) To establish by rule certification and provisional certification
 of prescriptive authority pursuant to sections 54-2316 through 54-2319,
 Idaho Code.

(13) To establish by rule a limited formulary or formularies for pre scribing use by holders of certification and provisional certification of
 prescriptive authority.

(14) To establish by rule the permitting of service extenders.

34 SECTION 4. That Section 54-2307, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 35 amended to read as follows:

54-2307. QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSE -- APPLICANTS FOR WHOM AN EXAM INATION MAY BE REQUIRED. An applicant shall be qualified for a license to
 practice psychology provided proof satisfactory to the board has been re ceived showing:

(1) That the applicant has not been convicted, found guilty, or
received a withheld judgment or suspended sentence in this state or in
any other state of a crime deemed relevant in accordance with section
67-9411(1), Idaho Code; and

44 (2) Either <del>one</del> of the following:

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(a) Graduation from an accredited college or university with a doctoral degree in psychology and two (2) years of supervised experience
acceptable to the board, one (1) year of which may include a predoctoral
practicum or internship and one (1) of which must be postdoctoral; or

(b) Graduation from an accredited college or university with a doctoral degree in a field related to psychology, provided experience and train-

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(3) Successful passage of an examination, if such examination is required by the rules duly adopted by the board; and

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9 (4) (5) Receipt of a completed application accompanied by an applica-10 tion fee as established by board rules not to exceed three hundred dollars 11 (\$300), and when an examination is required a processing fee of twenty-five 12 dollars (\$25.00) payable to the division of occupational and professional 13 licenses. The fee for any required examination or reexamination shall be 14 submitted directly to the national examining entity. The application fee 15 and the processing fee are not refundable.

SECTION 5. That Section 54-2312, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 54-2312. QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSE -- ENDORSEMENT. The board may
 19 recommend the granting of a license to any person who is licensed or certi 20 fied by a regulatory board of psychologists in the United States or Canada
 21 where such certification or licensure was based on a doctoral degree and who:

(1) Submits a complete application, including the application fee and
 a license fee not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300) as established by
 board rule;

(2) Has not been convicted, found guilty, or received a withheld judg ment or suspended sentence in this state or in any other state of a crime
 deemed relevant in accordance with section 67-9411(1), Idaho Code;

<u>(3)</u> Has submitted to a fingerprint-based criminal history background
 <u>check in accordance with section 67-9411A</u>, Idaho Code;

30 (3) (4) Has not had a certification or license revoked, suspended or 31 otherwise sanctioned; and

(4) (5) Has certified under oath that they have reviewed and will abide
 by the laws and rules governing the practice of psychology in Idaho and the
 code of ethics of the American psychological association and either:

(a) Holds a current certificate of professional qualification in psy chology or holds a certificate of professional standing issued by a na tional credentialing entity approved by the board by rule; or

(b) Meets the requirements of section 54-2307(2), Idaho Code, and board
 rules relating to endorsement and educational and credentialing re quirements for licensure.

41 SECTION 6. That Section 54-2312A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby42 amended to read as follows:

54-2312A. SENIOR PSYCHOLOGIST. The board may grant a license to any
person who submits a completed application, including the application fee
and a license fee not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300) as established
by board rule, and who:

(1) Has not been convicted, found guilty, or received a withheld judgment or suspended sentence in this state or in any other state of a crime
deemed relevant in accordance with section 67-9411(1), Idaho Code;

4 5 (2) Has submitted to a fingerprint-based criminal history background check in accordance with section 67-9411A, Idaho Code;

6 (2) (3) Has maintained a valid psychology license based on a doctoral
7 degree in the United States or Canada for a period of not less than twenty
8 (20) years;

9 (3) (4) Has a documented record of psychology practice for five (5) of 10 the last seven (7) years immediately prior to the date of application;

11 (4) (5) Has a documented record of meeting the continuing education re-12 quirement of the jurisdiction where they practiced for not less than five (5) 13 calendar years immediately prior to the date of application;

(5) (6) Has not been the subject of any disciplinary action within the
 last seven (7) years prior to application or has never voluntarily surren dered a license to practice psychology in any jurisdiction; and

(6) (7) Has certified under oath that he has reviewed and will abide by
 the laws and rules governing the practice of psychology in Idaho and the code
 of ethics of the American psychological association.

20 SECTION 7. That Section <u>54-2313</u>, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 21 repealed.

22 SECTION 8. That Section 54-2316, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 23 amended to read as follows:

54-2316. PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY. (1) No psychologist licensed under
this chapter shall issue a prescription without valid certification or provisional certification of prescriptive authority issued pursuant to section
54-2317, 54-2318 or 54-2319, Idaho Code.

(2) Psychologists licensed under this chapter who hold a certification
 or a provisional certification of prescriptive authority shall prescribe
 only those drugs or controlled substances that are:

- (a) Recognized in or customarily used in the diagnosis, treatment and
   management of individuals with psychiatric, mental, cognitive, ner vous, emotional or behavioral disorders;
- 34 (b) Relevant to the practice of psychology or other procedures directly35 related thereto; and
- (c) Within the scope of the psychologist's license and certification ofprescriptive authority.

(3) A psychologist who holds provisional certification of prescriptive
 authority may prescribe only under the direct supervision of a supervis ing physician pursuant to a collaborative agreement with at least one (1)
 collaborative prescriber who meets the requirements of section 54-2317(6)
 54-2302(4), Idaho Code.

(4) A psychologist who issues a prescription to a patient pursuant
to this section shall collaborate with the patient's licensed medical
provider.

46 (5) All prescriptions issued pursuant to this section shall comply with
47 all applicable federal and state laws, rules and regulations and rules of the
48 board.

(6) No psychologist may prescribe for a pediatric or geriatric patient 1 2 without meeting all requirements of this chapter, including the provisions of section 57-2318(2) 54-2318(2), Idaho Code. 3 (7) No person licensed under this chapter shall accept any payment, di-4 rectly or indirectly: 5 (a) From any person licensed as a health care provider under title 54, 6 7 Idaho Code, whose license does not permit the writing of prescriptions, for writing a prescription or dispensing a prescription drug to a pa-8 tient; 9 10 (b) From any person who holds himself or herself out as a health care 11 provider in any form who is not licensed under title 54, Idaho Code; or (c) From any business or professional entity regardless of the form of 12 its organization, for writing a prescription or dispensing a prescrip-13 tion drug to a patient unless such entity is authorized to conduct busi-14 ness under chapter 17, title 54, Idaho Code, or licensed as a licensed 15 16 health care provider or health care facility or is otherwise approved by the board. 17 (8) The restriction contained in subsection (7) of this section shall 18 not prevent a person licensed under this chapter from accepting payment from 19 20 any such person who is a patient, or for services provided to a patient or to 21 someone the patient is legally obligated to support or from any insurer or other entity authorized under the laws of this state to provide insurance or 22 pay benefits on behalf of a self-insured plan or government program. 23 SECTION 9. That Section 54-2317, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 24 amended to read as follows: 25 26 54-2317. PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY -- PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATION. To qualify for provisional certification of prescriptive authority, a psychol-27 ogist licensed under this chapter shall meet such standards as prescribed by 28 rule of the board. At a minimum, these standards shall include: 29 30 (1) A current license to practice psychology in Idaho; (2) A doctorate degree in psychology awarded by an accredited program 31 within a United States department of education-approved, regionally ac-32 credited institution of higher education an institution of higher education 33 that is accredited by a regional accrediting organization recognized by the 34 35 United States department of education;

A master's degree in clinical psychopharmacology awarded by an 36 (3) 37 accredited program within a United States department of education-approved, regionally accredited institution of higher education American psycho-38 logical association-designated program or a program that satisfies the 39 requirements to become an American psychological association-designated 40 program within an institution of higher education that is accredited by a 41 42 regional accrediting organization recognized by the United States department of education. The didactic portion of the education shall be at least 43 two (2) years of full-time education, or the equivalent thereof, and shall be 44 substantially equivalent to the education required of an advanced practice 45 psychiatric nurse practitioner in this state as determined by the insti-46 47 tution that offers both clinical psychopharmacology and psychiatric nurse practitioner degrees. The necessary prerequisites for the education shall 48 49 be determined by the institution that offers the degrees and, in the insti-

tution's judgment, shall include sufficient biomedical education to ensure 1 2 the necessary knowledge and skills to prescribe psychotropic medications in a safe and effective manner. The program shall satisfy the requirements to 3 become designated a post-doctoral education and training program in clin-4 ical psychopharmacology by the American psychological association. The 5 program must be established and administered by biomedically trained edu-6 cators and must demonstrate that all content is covered and that students 7 achieve clinical competency in all areas, and shall include at a minimum:. 8 (a) Basic science: 9 10 (i) Anatomy; (ii) Physiology; 11 (iii) Biochemistry; 12 (b) Neurosciences: 13 (i) Neuroanatomy; 14 15 (ii) Neurophysiology; 16 (iii) Neurochemistry; (c) Physical assessments and laboratory exams: 17 (i) Physical assessment; 18 (ii) Laboratory and radiological assessment; 19 20 (iii) Medical terminology and documentation; (d) Clinical medicine and pathophysiology: 21 (i) Pathophysiology with particular emphasis on cardiac, renal, 22 hepatic, neurologic, gastrointestinal, hematologic, dermato-23 24 logic and endocrine systems; (ii) Clinical medicine with particular emphasis on signs, symp-25 toms and treatment of disease states with behavioral, cognitive 26 and emotional manifestations or comorbidities; 27 (iii) Differential diagnosis; 28 (iv) Clinical correlations -- the illustration of the content of 29 this domain through case study; 30 (v) Substance-related and co-occurring disorders; 31 32 (vi) Chronic pain management; (c) Clinical and research pharmacology and psychopharmacology: 33 34 (i) Pharmacology; (ii) Clinical pharmacology; 35 (iii) Pharmacogenetics; 36 (iv) Psychopharmacology; 37 (v) Developmental psychopharmacology; 38 (vi) Issues of diversity in pharmacological practice -- lifespan 39 related to drug metabolism; 40 (f) Clinical pharmacotherapeutics: 41 (i) Combined therapies -- psychotherapy/pharmacotherapy inter-42 43 actions; (ii) Computer-based aids to practice; 44 (iii) Pharmacoepidemiology; 45 (q) Research: 46 (i) Methodology and design of psychopharmacology research; 47 (ii) Interpretation and evaluation of research; 48 (iii) Federal food and drug administration drug development and 49 regulatory processes; and 50

(h) Professional, ethical, and legal issues:

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(i) Application of existing law, standards and guidelines to pharmacological practice; and

(ii) Relationship with pharmaceutical industry:

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 (4) Clinical experience that is sufficient to attain competency in the psychopharmacological treatment of a diverse patient population under

9 the psychopharmacological treatment of a diverse patient population under 10 the direction of qualified practitioners including, but not limited to, 11 licensed physicians and prescribing psychologists as determined by the in-12 stitution offering the clinical psychopharmacology degree;

(5) A passing score on an examination developed by a nationally recog-nized body and approved by the board; and

(6) Supervision agreements with board-certified psychiatrists, neurologists, family medicine physicians, or other physicians with a minimum
of two (2) years of experience in the management of psychotropic medication
who are licensed under chapter 18, title 54, Idaho Code, or an equivalent licensing provision of the law of an adjoining state. <u>A written collaborative</u>
agreement entered into with at least one (1) collaborative prescriber and
provided to the board upon request.

22 SECTION 10. That Section 54-2318, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby 23 amended to read as follows:

54-2318. PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY -- CERTIFICATION. (1) An applicant for certification of prescriptive authority may be granted such certification by the board if the applicant possesses provisional certification of prescriptive authority and has successfully completed two (2) years of satisfactory prescribing as attested to by the supervising physician or physicians a collaborative prescriber participating in a collaborative agreement.

(2) An applicant for certification of prescriptive authority who seeks 31 to prescribe specialize in prescribing for pediatric or geriatric patients 32 shall have completed at least one (1) year of satisfactory prescribing, 33 which may be part of a two (2) year collaborative agreement, to such patient 34 35 populations as attested to by a supervising physician or supervising physicians with collaborative prescriber who participates in a collaborative 36 agreement and who has specialized training and experience in treating such 37 patient populations. For the purposes of this section, "specialization" 38 means to see twenty-five (25) or more pediatric or geriatric patients in a 39 single calendar year. 40

(3) The board shall develop rules to effect the purposes of sections
54-2316 through 54-2319, Idaho Code. Such rules shall include educational
and training standards necessary to qualify for certification of prescriptive authority, application and testing procedures, and fees for an application, provisional certification, certification, and renewal of certification. Such fees shall not exceed six hundred dollars (\$600) each.

SECTION 11. That Section <u>54-2320</u>, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby
repealed.

SECTION 12. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after 

July 1, 2025.