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**HOUSE DRH60287-LU-42 (02/24)**

Short Title: Clarify Definition of Social Worker. (Public)

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Sponsors: Representative Culpepper.

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Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF SOCIAL WORKER UNDER THE  
SOCIAL WORKER CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE ACT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 90B-3(8) reads as rewritten:

"(8) Social Worker. – A person ~~engaging in the practice of social work who is not certified or licensed under this Chapter as a Certified Social Worker, Certified Master Social Worker, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, or Certified Social Work Manager.~~ with a bachelors degree or masters degree in social work who has graduated from a Council of Social Work Education accredited social work program or a person who has attained a doctorate in social work or received licensure or certification from the Board."

**SECTION 2.** G.S. 90B-4 is amended by adding the following new subsection to read:

"(a1) It is unlawful for any person who is not a social worker as defined in G.S. 90B-3(8) to represent or hold himself or herself out to the public to be a social worker as defined in G.S. 90B-3(8) or to engage in the practice of social work as defined in G.S. 90B-3(7)."

**SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.