



Bill Number: H.B. 2350

Smith Floor Amendment

Reference to: APPROPRIATIONS Committee amendment

Amendment drafted by: Leg Council

## FLOOR AMENDMENT EXPLANATION

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1. Exempts state employers that have an existing program for public safety employees which:
  - a) provides counseling paid for by the employer for any issue;
  - b) provides for at least 6 visits per year before July 1, 2017 and at least 12 visits per year after July 1, 2017; and
  - c) requires counseling be provided in person if related to trauma experienced in the line of duty.
2. Defines “public safety employee” as:
  - a) a member of PSPRS or CORP; or
  - b) a probation officer, surveillance officer or juvenile detention officer who is employed by this state or a political subdivision.
3. Replaces the term “psychotherapy treatment” with “counseling” but keeps the same definition.
4. Repeals the requirement after December 31, 2022.
5. Makes technical and conforming changes.

Amendment explanation prepared by Alex Vidal

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SMITH FLOOR AMENDMENT  
SENATE AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2350  
(Reference to APPROPRIATIONS Committee amendment)

1 Page 1, line 2, after "article 1" insert ", Arizona Revised Statutes,"; strike  
2       "Arizona"  
3 Line 3, strike "Revised Statute"  
4 Line 5, strike "definition" insert "definitions"  
5 Line 7, strike "A PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEE," insert "ANY OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS"  
6 Line 8, strike "IS" insert "ARE"  
7 Line 9, strike the comma; strike "PSYCHOTHERAPY TREATMENT" insert "COUNSELING,  
8       WHICH MAY BE PROVIDED VIA TELEMEDICINE,"  
9 Line 11, strike "POLICE" insert "PEACE"  
10 Line 18, after "SUCH" insert "A"  
11 Line 19, after "OR" insert "BEING"  
12 Line 23, strike "PSYCHOTHERAPY TREATMENT" insert "LICENSED COUNSELING"  
13 Line 24, strike "SHALL" insert "DOES"; strike "ANY" insert "A"; strike "OF"  
14       insert "THAT"; after "A" insert "CLAIM IS"; strike "CLAIM FILED"  
15 Strike line 25, insert "SECTION 23-1043.01, SUBSECTION B."  
16 After line 25, insert:  
17       "C. THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A STATE EMPLOYER THAT PROVIDES A  
18       PROGRAM TO ITS PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES THAT IS CHARACTERIZED BY ALL OF THE  
19       FOLLOWING:  
20           1. THE PROGRAM IS PAID FOR BY THE EMPLOYER.  
21           2. THE PROGRAM PROVIDES LICENSED COUNSELING FOR ANY ISSUE. FOR  
22           LICENSED COUNSELING RELATED TO TRAUMA EXPERIENCED WHILE IN THE LINE OF DUTY,  
23           THE LICENSED COUNSELING IS PROVIDED ON THE REQUEST OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY  
24           EMPLOYEE AND SHALL BE IN PERSON.  
25           3. BEFORE JULY 1, 2017, THE PROGRAM OFFERS AT LEAST SIX VISITS PER  
26           YEAR.

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1           4. ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2017, THE PROGRAM OFFERS AT LEAST TWELVE VISITS  
2       PER YEAR."

3 Reletter to conform

4 Page 2, line 1, after "FOR" insert "THE"; strike ", LICENSED PSYCHOTHERAPY  
5       TREATMENT" insert ":"

6           1. "LICENSED COUNSELING""

7 Line 3, after "UNDER" insert "TITLE 32,"

8 Line 4, after the period strike remainder of line

9 Strike line 5, insert:

10           "2. "PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEE" MEANS:

11           (a) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL  
12       RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR THE CORRECTIONS OFFICER RETIREMENT PLAN.

13           (b) A PROBATION OFFICER, SURVEILLANCE OFFICER OR JUVENILE DETENTION  
14       OFFICER WHO IS EMPLOYED BY THIS STATE OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS  
15       STATE.

16           Sec. 2. Delayed repeal

17           Section 38-962, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act, is  
18       repealed from and after December 31, 2022."

19 Amend title to conform

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