
OLR Bill Analysis

HB 5480

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ACCESSIBILITY OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES.

SUMMARY

This bill allows psychology doctorate students at in-state higher education institutions to provide professional psychological services in person and through telehealth while under the supervision of a state-licensed psychologist.

Under the bill, they must provide telehealth services within their profession's scope of practice and standard of care, just as other telehealth providers must do under existing law.

The existing psychology licensure law specifies that it does not limit the activities and services of a psychology graduate student, intern, or resident, if those activities are part of a supervised course of study at an approved educational institution (CGS § 20-195(a)).

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2022

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 30 Nay 0 (03/23/2022)