

**Bill Summary**  
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 285 allows the State Board of Education to grant an exception to the certification requirements for school counselors for licensed mental health professionals. The measure requires such an individual to complete a training course identified by the State Department of Education or 6 semester hours related to school counseling from an accredited institution. The bill also exempts such individuals from the professional education portion of the competency examination.

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