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SENATE BILL **33**

AN ACT relative to continuing education requirements for mental health practitioners on suicide prevention.

SPONSORS: Sen. Watters, Dist 4; Sen. Carson, Dist 14; Sen. Soucy, Dist 18; Sen. Cataldo, Dist 6; Sen. Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Rep. P. Schmidt, Straf 19

COMMITTEE: Executive Departments and Administration

ANALYSIS

This bill requires the completion of continuing education units on suicide prevention for the renewal of a license issued by the board of mental health practice.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through~~].
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fifteen

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 27:1 Board of Mental Health Practice; Rulemaking; Suicide Prevention Continuing Education.
2 Amend RSA 330-A:10, XIV to read as follows:

3 XIV. Procedures for assuring the continuing competence of persons licensed under this
4 chapter including, but not limited to, continuing education requirements, ***provided that at least 3***
5 ***hours of the required continuing education units for biennial renewal shall be from a***
6 ***nationally recognized, evidence-based or best practices training organization in the area***
7 ***of suicide prevention, intervention, or postvention and how mental illness, substance use***
8 ***disorders, trauma, or interpersonal violence directly impacts risk for suicide.***

9 27:2 Rulemaking. The board of mental health practice shall commence rulemaking under RSA
10 541-A to adopt rules which comply with RSA 330-A:10, XIV as amended by section 1 of this act no
11 later than 30 days after the effective date of this act.

12 27:3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

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14 Approved: May 7, 2015

15 Effective Date: July 6, 2015