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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1580

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 1580 on page 4,
3 immediately below line 20, by inserting the following:

4 "Section 30. The Professional Counselor and Clinical
5 Professional Counselor Licensing and Practice Act is amended
6 by adding Section 175 as follows:

7 (225 ILCS 107/175 new)

8 Sec. 175. Fee waivers.

9 (a) As used in this Section, "rural county" means a county
10 not part of a metropolitan statistical area, as defined by the
11 United States Census Bureau, or a county that is part of a
12 metropolitan statistical area but has a population fewer than
13 60,000.

14 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary,
15 during State fiscal years 2025 and 2026, the Department shall
16 allow individuals in rural counties a one-time waiver of fees

1 imposed under Sections 35, 50, 60, 65, or 70 of this Act. No
2 individual may benefit from such waiver more than once.".