

**(H) Labor Commerce CS for HOUSE BILL 353**  
**Comparison Sheet for version A to version O**

Statute	Provision	Section	House Bill 353 v. A			Labor & Commerce CS for House Bill 353 v. O	
AS 08.63.100	Qualifications for license to practice	1	a	The Board of marital and family therapy shall issue a license to a person who has practiced <b>1,500 hours</b> of supervised clinical contact with couples, individuals, and families. 200 of those hours must be individual supervision and group supervision. Those hours may be conducted by one or more supervisors.		Change to <b>1,700 hours total.</b>	a
AS 08.63.120	Authorized supervisors	2	b	A person who supervises during individual supervision must have a license to practice marital and family therapy, and have practiced for 5 years, and meet the standards approved by the board. OR a person who supervises group supervision must be licensed to practice as a professional counselor (LPC), a marital and family therapist (LMFT), a psychiatrist (M.D.), an advanced practice nurse (ANP), a psychologist (Psy.D), or a clinical social worker (LCSW).		Delete "an advanced practice registered nurse under AS 08.68 who is authorized by the Board of Nursing to practice as an adult or family psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner;"	b
AS 47.07.030	Medical services to be provided	3	b	The Department of Health & Social Services (DHSS) may offer marital and family therapists' services as a mandatory service required under 42 U.S.C. 1396 for Medicaid recipients.			b
AS 47.07.030	Medical services to be provided	4	g	Defines "direct supervision" as one or more psychiatrists are on-site 30 percent of the time, defines "mental health physician clinic" as a clinic that is operated by one or more psychiatrists, and primarily provides clinic services relating to mental health, and defines "psychiatrist" means a person licensed to practice as a physician under AS 08.64 who is licensed by the State Medical Board as a psychiatrist.	These sections were deleted in the Labor & Commerce CS.		
AS 47.07.030	Medical services to be provided	5	h	DHSS may reimburse a mental health physician clinic for services provided by a psychiatrist or an individual under direct supervision of a psychiatrist that is licensed to be a LPC, LMFT, M.D., ANP, Psy.D, or LCSW.			
Transition and Effective Dates		6		The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding that DHSS and the Board of Marital and Family Therapy may adopt regulations necessary to implement the changes made by this Act. Regulations take effect under AS 44.62.		SEC. 4	
		7		Immediate effective date for adoption of regulations.			SEC. 5
		8		Effective date of January 1, 2019			SEC. 6