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KENTUCKY GENERAL ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT FORM  
2026 REGULAR SESSION

Amend printed copy of **HB 470/HCS 1**

Starting on page 1, line 3, to page 2, line 18, delete Section 1 in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"➔ Section 1. KRS 222.233 is amended to read as follows:

The Cabinet for Health and Family Services shall promulgate administrative regulations in accordance with KRS Chapter 13A to:

(1) **Require that:**

(a) Until January 1, 2028, licensed alcohol and other drug treatment entities, behavioral health service organizations, behavioral health multi-specialty groups, and any entities that bill for peer support services that employ an alcohol and drug peer support specialist, only employ an alcohol and drug peer support specialist who is either registered under KRS 309.0831 or meets the requirements of applicable administrative regulations in effect on or after July 15, 2024; and ~~Until January 1, 2026, require that licensed alcohol and other drug treatment entities and behavioral health service organizations only employ a temporary alcohol and drug peer support specialist or alcohol and drug peer support specialist who is registered under KRS Chapter 309 or a temporary alcohol and drug peer support specialist or alcohol and drug peer support specialist who meets the requirements of applicable administrative regulations in effect on July 15, 2024, or any applicable administrative~~

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Amendment No. HFA 1

Rep. Rep. Kimberly Poore Moser

Committee Amendment

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~~regulations promulgated thereafter.]~~

(b) Beginning January 1, 2028~~2026~~, ~~require that~~ licensed alcohol and other drug treatment entities, ~~and~~ behavioral health service organizations, **behavioral health multi-specialty groups, and any entities that bill for peer support services that** only~~]~~ employ ~~an~~~~a temporary alcohol and drug peer support specialist or~~ alcohol and drug peer support specialist **only employ an alcohol and drug peer support specialist** who is registered under KRS 309.0831~~Chapter 309~~;

(2) ~~Permit a registered temporary alcohol and drug peer support specialist to provide the same services and be reimbursed at the same rates as a registered alcohol and drug peer support specialist;~~

(3) ~~Remove any limits on the maximum number of hours of direct client care that may be provided by a registered alcohol and drug peer support specialist;~~

(4) ~~Require that a temporary certified alcohol and drug counselor under the clinical supervision of a certified alcohol and drug counselor, a licensed alcohol and drug counselor, or a licensed clinical alcohol or drug counselor be a reimbursable service provider in alcohol and other drug treatment entities and behavioral health service organizations;~~

(5) ~~Permit a licensed alcohol and drug counselor to provide the same services and be reimbursed at the same rates as a licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselor in licensed alcohol and other drug treatment entities and behavioral health service organizations;~~

(3)~~(6)~~ Permit the qualifications for a case manager for an individual with mental or substance use disorder to be a bachelor's degree or higher in any field of study and set forth training and supervision requirements to substitute for required work experience;

(4)~~(7)~~ Require that a community support associate approved by the Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities to be a reimbursable service

provider in licensed alcohol and other drug treatment entities and behavioral health service organizations; and

(5)(8)} Permit peer support specialists to provide services to groups of the same size as other licensed clinical professionals in a licensed alcohol and other drug treatment entities and behavioral health service organizations."; and

On page 6, delete lines 5 and 6 in their entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"(4) The work group shall consist of members appointed:

(a) By the Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities, Cabinet for Health and Family Services, to include:"; and

On page 6, delete line 18 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"(b) By the Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities, Cabinet for Health and Family Services, from a list of names submitted by the Kentucky Board of Alcohol and Drug Counselors, to include:"; and

On page 7, delete line 1 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"(c) By the Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities, Cabinet for Health and Family Services, from a list of names submitted by the Kentucky Division of Reentry Services, Department of Corrections, Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, to include:".