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Subject: Licensing Committee Update

The Licensing Committee (Committee) held its last meeting on January 13, 2023. The Board formed the Licensing Committee to conduct an in-depth discussion about several topics related to the licensing process.

Previously, the Committee developed a legislative proposal to delete the requirement that renewing registrants with a failing California law and ethics exam score must complete a 12-hour California law and ethics course. Instead, this was replaced with a 3-hour California law and ethics course requirement for all renewing registrants. This proposal (AB 1759, Aguiar-Curry) was recently signed into law.

At the January 13, 2023 meeting, the Committee discussed the creation of a workforce development action plan, discussed the practices of pastoral counseling and life coaching, and discussed the creation of a consumer outreach document to explain the Board's regulated professions to the public.

The next Licensing Committee meeting will be held on July 21, 2023.