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Testimony on SB248:

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee. My name is Sharon Atkinson, Executive Director of the Board of Examiners for Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors.

I appear before the committee on behalf of Dorothy B. North, President of the Board who is unable to be in attendance today.

SB 248 is a bill that essentially makes some changes to NRS 641C that the Board deemed necessary to more effectively carry out it's mission to serve the public.

The changes are as follows:

- Page 1, section 2, line 3. Move Detox technicians from NRS 458 to NRS 641C. This section should have been moved to the Board of Examiners for Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors when all the language on personnel was moved from NRS 458 to NRS 641C. The Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Abuse under the Health Division certifies programs, whereas, the Board of Examiners for Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors certifies and licenses personnel.
- Page 3, section 3, line 6. Grant authority to the Board to require fingerprinting of individuals that are currently licensed or certified.
- Page 3, section 4, line 26. Allow Native Americans that are certified by Indian Health Services to provide alcohol and drug abuse-counseling services to individuals that are registered by one of the tribes. They will not be allowed to provide services to others unless licensed or certified by the Board.
- Page 3, section 5, number 2, line 35. Grant authority to the Board to require fingerprinting as a portion of the application process.
- Page 4, section 6, number 2, line 10. The same as page 3, section 4.
- Page 5, section 7, number 2, line 2. Grant the Board authority to waive any requirement for the renewal upon proof of good cause.
- Page 6, section 10, line 26. Grant authority to the Board to charge fees for the review of continuing education units for training providers. This would not affect licensed or certified individuals requesting review of continuing education units.

Thank you for your time. I am ready to answer any questions you may have.

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