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SB 387

I am writing in support of SB 387. Psychologists as a group are highly supportive of efforts at Diversity, Equity and Inclusion within their practice, and frequently advocate for a more inclusive representation in all fields and society. Many psychologists, from my survey are, unfortunately, are somewhat siloed in their particular practices, especially in private practices, and generally chose CEUs that are most readily accessible or specific to their particular niche. This sometimes does not include continuing education on diversity, equity and inclusion, although such offerings can be accessed by anyone searching for them. The requirement of CEUs in this area, as represented in SB 387's changes to the psychology regulations, would help focus psychologists on this area, at least in a small way. If for no other reason, I believe that these educational experiences will advance psychology in its provision of services.

Sincerely,

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