



**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

September 29, 2026

Douglas Brocker, Rulemaking Coordinator
Board of Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselors
Sent via email only to: doug@brockerlawfirm.com

Re: Extension of the period of review for 21 NCAC 53 .0312

Dear Mr. Brocker:

This letter will serve as the written notice of extension pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.13.

At its meeting on September 29, 2026, the Rules Review Commission (RRC) extended the period of review for the above captioned rule on the RRC's September agenda. The RRC extended the period of review at your request to afford the Board of Clinical Mental Health Counselors further time to meet, discuss, and take action on the proposed rule in response concerns RRC Staff raised with the Board's authority to write rules under S.L 2022-52.

Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.13, when the Commission extends the period of review, it is required to approve or object to rules, or call a public hearing on the same, within 70 days; however, the RRC has extended the review of these rules for 56 days until its November 2026 meeting.

If you have any questions regarding the Commission's actions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

/s/ Meghan Barney
Meghan Barney
Commission Counsel

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