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## Request for Input: Potential Development of a Spanish-Language LMSW Licensing Examination

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Dear Subscriber:

The Texas Legislature has directed the Texas Behavioral Health Executive Council (BHEC) to pursue development of a Spanish-language licensing examination for applicants seeking licensure as a Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW). Specifically, the Legislature appropriated funding and directed BHEC to contract for the development of a Spanish-language LMSW examination and make the examination available to applicants by November 1, 2027.

Because social work licensing examinations are owned and administered by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB), BHEC is working collaboratively with ASWB and the National Association of Social Workers–Texas Chapter (NASW-TX) to explore the feasibility of this initiative and better understand the level of demand for a Spanish-language LMSW examination.

As part of that effort, we are seeking input from social workers, social work students, educators, employers, and other interested stakeholders regarding the potential need for a Spanish-language licensing examination. Your feedback will help inform discussions regarding exam development, implementation, and long-term sustainability.

We encourage you to take a few minutes to complete the survey linked below and to share it with others who may be interested in providing feedback. The survey is available in both English and Spanish.

English: <https://forms.gle/6ge63Uh76dR9k2Xq8>

Spanish: <https://forms.gle/RVKVGmZQfo5umU6H6>

Please submit your responses no later than July 1, 2026.

Thank you for taking the time to provide your input. Your feedback will help ensure that decisions regarding this initiative are informed by the needs of the social work profession and the communities it serves.

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