

1 AN ACT concerning speech-language pathology.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing
5 Section 14-1.09b as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/14-1.09b)

7 Sec. 14-1.09b. Speech-language pathologist.

8 (a) For purposes of supervision of a speech-language
9 pathology assistant, "speech-language pathologist" means a
10 person who has received a license pursuant to the Illinois
11 Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Practice Act to
12 engage in the practice of speech-language pathology.

13 (b) The School Service Personnel Certificate with a
14 speech-language endorsement shall be issued under Section
15 21-25 of this Code to a speech-language pathologist who meets
16 all of the following requirements:

17 (1) Holds (A) a license as a speech-language
18 pathologist pursuant to the Illinois Speech-Language
19 Pathology and Audiology Practice Act, (B) a current
20 Certificate of Clinical Competence in speech-language
21 pathology from the American Speech-Language-Hearing
22 Association, or (C) a regular license or certificate in
23 speech-language pathology from another state or territory
24 or the District of Columbia.

25 (2) Holds a master's or doctoral degree with a major
26 emphasis in speech-language pathology from an institution
27 whose course of study was approved or program was
28 accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in
29 Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American
30 Speech-Language-Hearing Association or its predecessor.

31 (3) Either (i) has completed a program of study

1 before July 1, 2002 that includes course work and
 2 supervised clinical experience sufficient in breadth and
 3 depth to demonstrate knowledge and skills related to the
 4 specific problems, methods and procedures applicable to
 5 students with disabilities in a school setting serving
 6 ages 3 through 21 or (ii) meets the content area
 7 standards for speech-language pathologists adopted by the
 8 State Board of Education, in consultation with the State
 9 Teachers Certification Board.

10 (4) Has successfully completed the required
 11 Illinois certification tests.

12 (5) Has paid the application fee required for
 13 certification.

14 The provisions of this subsection (b) do not preclude the
 15 issuance of a teaching certificate to a speech-language
 16 pathologist who qualifies for such a certificate.

17 (Source: P.A. 92-510, eff. 6-1-02.)

18 Section 10. The Illinois Speech-Language Pathology and
 19 Audiology Practice Act is amended by changing Section 7 and
 20 adding Section 8.1 as follows:

21 (225 ILCS 110/7) (from Ch. 111, par. 7907)

22 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2008)

23 Sec. 7. Licensure requirement.

24 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), on or after
 25 June 1, 1989, no person shall practice speech-language
 26 pathology or audiology without first applying for and
 27 obtaining a license for such purpose from the Department.
 28 Except as provided in this Section, on or after January 1,
 29 2002, no person shall perform the functions and duties of a
 30 speech-language pathology assistant without first applying
 31 for and obtaining a license for that purpose from the
 32 Department.

1 (b) A person holding a regular license to practice
2 speech-language pathology or audiology under the laws of
3 another state, a territory of the United States, or the
4 District of Columbia who has made application to the
5 Department for a license to practice speech-language
6 pathology or audiology may practice speech-language pathology
7 or audiology without a license for 90 days from the date of
8 application or until disposition of the license application
9 by the Department, whichever is sooner, if the person (i)
10 holds a Certificate of Clinical Competence from the American
11 Speech-Language-Hearing Association in speech-language
12 pathology or audiology or, in the case of an audiologist, a
13 certificate from the American Board of Audiology and (ii) has
14 not been disciplined and has no disciplinary matters pending
15 in a state, a territory, or the District of Columbia.

16 (Source: P.A. 92-510, eff. 6-1-02.)

17 (225 ILCS 110/8.1 new)

18 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2008)

19 Sec. 8.1. Temporary license. On and after January 1,
20 2004, a person who has met the requirements of items (a)
21 through (e) of Section 8 and intends to undertake supervised
22 professional experience as a speech-language pathologist, as
23 required by subsection (f) of Section 8 and the rules adopted
24 by the Department, must first obtain a temporary license from
25 the Department. A temporary license may be issued by the
26 Department only to an applicant pursuing licensure as a
27 speech-language pathologist in this State. A temporary
28 license shall be issued to an applicant upon receipt of the
29 required fee as set forth by rule and documentation on forms
30 prescribed by the Department demonstrating that a licensed
31 speech-language pathologist has agreed to supervise the
32 professional experience of the applicant. A temporary license
33 shall be issued for a period of 12 months and may be renewed

1 only once for good cause shown.

2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

3 becoming law.