

1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 2797

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend House Bill 2797 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section  
5 14-6.04 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/14-6.04 new)

7 Sec. 14-6.04. Contracting for speech-language pathology  
8 services.

9 (a) For purposes of this Section:

10 "Reasonable efforts" means performing all of the  
11 following:

12 (1) placing at least 3 employment advertisements  
13 for a speech-language pathologist published in the daily  
14 newspaper of widest distribution within the school  
15 district or cooperative;

16 (2) placing one employment listing in the placement  
17 bulletin of a college or university that has a  
18 speech-language pathology curriculum and is located in  
19 the geographic area of the school district or  
20 cooperative; and

21 (3) posting the position for speech-language  
22 pathologist on the Illinois Association of School

1 Administrators' job placement service for at least 30  
2 days.

3 "Speech-language pathologist" means a person who:

4 (1) holds a master's or doctoral degree with a  
5 major emphasis in speech-language pathology from an  
6 institution accredited under the auspices of the American  
7 Speech-Language-Hearing Association; and

8 (2) either (i) has completed a program of study  
9 prior to July 1, 2002 that includes course work and  
10 supervised clinical experience sufficient in breadth and  
11 depth to demonstrate knowledge and skills related to the  
12 specific problems, methods, and procedures applicable to  
13 students with disabilities in a school setting serving  
14 ages 3 to 21 or (ii) meets the standards adopted by the  
15 State Board of Education, in consultation with the State  
16 Teacher Certification Board, applicable to students with  
17 disabilities in a school setting serving ages 3 to 21.

18 "Speech-language pathology services" means the  
19 application of methods and procedures for identifying,  
20 measuring, testing, appraising, predicting, and modifying  
21 communication development and disorders or disabilities of  
22 speech, language, voice, swallowing, and other speech,  
23 language, and voice-related disorders for the purpose of  
24 counseling, consulting, and rendering services or  
25 participating in the planning, directing, or conducting of  
26 programs that are designed to modify communicative disorders  
27 and conditions in individuals or groups of individuals  
28 involving speech, language, voice, and swallowing functions.

29 (b) After reasonable efforts have been made to employ a  
30 speech-language pathologist, a school district or cooperative  
31 may contract for speech language pathology services with a  
32 speech-language pathologist or an entity that employs  
33 speech-language pathologists. A speech-language pathologist  
34 who provides speech-language pathology services pursuant to a

1 contract must hold:

2 (1) a speech-language pathology license under the  
3 Illinois Speech Language Pathology and Audiology Practice  
4 Act; and

5 (2) a certificate under this Code with an  
6 endorsement in speech-language pathology.

7 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
8 becoming law."