

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 to a  
15 speech-language pathologist who meets all of the following  
16 requirements:

17 (1) Holds (A) a regular license as a  
18 speech-language pathologist pursuant to the Illinois  
19 Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Practice Act, (B)  
20 a 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 from an  
26 institution whose program was accredited by the Council  
27 on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and  
28 Speech-Language Pathology of the American  
29 Speech-Language-Hearing Association.

30 (3) Has completed a program of study that includes  
31 course work and supervised clinical experience sufficient

1 in breadth and depth to demonstrate knowledge and skills  
2 related to the specific problems, methods and procedures  
3 applicable to students with disabilities in a school  
4 setting serving ages 3 through 21.

5 (4) Has successfully completed the required  
6 Illinois certification test.

7 (5) Has paid the application fee required for  
8 certification.

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

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

13 Section 10. The Illinois Speech-Language Pathology and  
14 Audiology Practice Act is amended by changing Section 7 and  
15 adding Section 8.1 as follows:

16 (225 ILCS 110/7) (from Ch. 111, par. 7907)

17 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2008)

18 Sec. 7. Licensure requirement.

19 (a) On or after June 1, 1989, no person shall practice  
20 speech-language pathology or audiology without first applying  
21 for and obtaining a license for such purpose from the  
22 Department. Except as provided in this Section, on or after  
23 January 1, 2002, no person shall perform the functions and  
24 duties of a speech-language pathology assistant without first  
25 applying for and obtaining a license for that purpose from  
26 the Department.

27 (b) A person who has made application to the Department  
28 for a license to practice speech-language pathology or  
29 audiology may practice speech-language pathology or audiology  
30 without a license pending disposition of the license  
31 application by the Department if the person holds a master's  
32 or doctoral degree from an institution whose program was

1 accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in  
2 Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American  
3 Speech-Language-Hearing Association, and holds either (i) a  
4 Certificate of Clinical Competence from the American  
5 Speech-Language-Hearing Association in speech-language  
6 pathology or audiology or (ii) a regular license to practice  
7 speech-language pathology or audiology under the laws of  
8 another state, a territory of the United States, or the  
9 District of Columbia.

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

11 (225 ILCS 110/8.1 new)

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

13 Sec. 8.1. Temporary license. On and after January 1,  
14 2004, a person who undertakes supervised professional  
15 experience as a speech-language pathologist, as required by  
16 subsection (f) of Section 8 and the rules adopted by the  
17 Department, must obtain a temporary license from the  
18 Department. A temporary license may be issued by the  
19 Department only to an applicant pursuing licensure as a  
20 speech-language pathologist. A temporary license shall be  
21 issued to an applicant upon receipt of documentation on forms  
22 prescribed by the Department demonstrating that a licensed  
23 speech-language pathologist has agreed to supervise the  
24 professional experience of the applicant for temporary  
25 licensure. A temporary license shall be issued for a period  
26 of 12 months and may be renewed only once for good cause  
27 shown.

28 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
29 becoming law.