

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 regular license as a
18 speech-language pathologist pursuant to the Illinois
19 Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Practice Act, (B)
20 a current Certificate of Clinical Competence in
21 speech-language pathology from the American
22 Speech-Language-Hearing Association and a regular license
23 in speech-language pathology from another state or
24 territory or the District of Columbia and has applied for
25 a regular license as a speech-language pathologist
26 pursuant to the Illinois Speech-Language Pathology and
27 Audiology Practice Act, or (C) a temporary license
28 pursuant to the Illinois Speech-Language Pathology and
29 Audiology Practice Act and has completed an approved
30 program.

31 (2) Holds a master's or doctoral degree with a major

1 emphasis in speech-language pathology from an institution
2 whose course of study was approved or program was
3 accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in
4 Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American
5 Speech-Language-Hearing Association or its predecessor.

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

16 (4) Has successfully completed the required
17 Illinois certification tests.

18 (5) Has paid the application fee required for
19 certification.

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

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

24 Section 10. The Illinois Speech-Language Pathology and
25 Audiology Practice Act is amended by changing Section 7 and
26 adding Section 8.1 as follows:

27 (225 ILCS 110/7) (from Ch. 111, par. 7907)

28 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2008)

29 Sec. 7. Licensure requirement.

30 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), on or after
31 June 1, 1989, no person shall practice speech-language
32 pathology or audiology without first applying for and

1 obtaining a license for such purpose from the Department.
2 Except as provided in this Section, on or after January 1,
3 2002, no person shall perform the functions and duties of a
4 speech-language pathology assistant without first applying
5 for and obtaining a license for that purpose from the
6 Department.

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

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

23 (225 ILCS 110/8.1 new)

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

25 Sec. 8.1. Temporary license. On and after January 1,
26 2004, a person who has met the requirements of items (a)
27 through (e) of Section 8 and intends to undertake supervised
28 professional experience as a speech-language pathologist, as
29 required by subsection (f) of Section 8 and the rules adopted
30 by the Department, must first obtain a temporary license from
31 the Department. A temporary license may be issued by the
32 Department only to an applicant pursuing licensure as a
33 speech-language pathologist in this State. A temporary

1 license shall be issued to an applicant upon receipt of the
2 required fee as set forth by rule and documentation on forms
3 prescribed by the Department demonstrating that a licensed
4 speech-language pathologist has agreed to supervise the
5 professional experience of the applicant. A temporary license
6 shall be issued for a period of 12 months and may be renewed
7 only once for good cause shown.

8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect on
9 January 1, 2004.