

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

4 Section 5. The Hearing Instrument Consumer Protection Act  
5 is amended by adding Section 6.1 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 50/6.1 new)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

8 Sec. 6.1. Reciprocity. The Department shall issue a license  
9 to any hearing instrument dispenser who (i) has a valid license  
10 as a hearing instrument dispenser, or its equivalent, from  
11 another state that has an examination that is comparable to the  
12 examination required under this Act or is provided by the  
13 International Hearing Society, (ii) has completed the specific  
14 academic and training requirements, or their equivalent, under  
15 this Act, (iii) has been actively practicing as a hearing  
16 instrument dispenser for at least 3 months or is certified by  
17 the National Board for Certification in Hearing Instrument  
18 Sciences, and (iv) has paid the required fee.