



100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SB2542

Introduced 2/6/2018, by Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/14-1.09

from Ch. 122, par. 14-1.09

Amends the School Code. In the Article governing children with disabilities, provides that, amongst other meanings, a "school psychologist" means a person who holds a valid Nationally Certified School Psychologist credential (rather than certificate). Removes from the definition of "school psychologist" the requirement that a psychologist have additional qualifications as may be required by the State Board of Education. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning education.

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 Section
5 14-1.09 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/14-1.09) (from Ch. 122, par. 14-1.09)

7 Sec. 14-1.09. School psychologist. "School psychologist"
8 means a psychologist who meets the following qualifications:

9 (1) The psychologist:

10 (A) has graduated with a master's or higher degree
11 in psychology or educational psychology from an
12 institution of higher learning that maintains
13 equipment, courses of study, and standards of
14 scholarship approved by the State Board of Education,
15 has had at least one school year of full-time
16 supervised experience in the delivery of school
17 psychological services of a character approved by the
18 State Superintendent of Education, and has such
19 additional qualifications as may be required by the
20 State Board of Education; or

21 (B) holds a valid Nationally Certified School
22 Psychologist (NCSP) credential ~~certificate~~ and has
23 ~~such additional qualifications as may be required by~~

1 ~~the State Board of Education.~~

2 (2) The psychologist holds a Professional Educator
3 License with a school psychologist endorsement issued
4 pursuant to Section 21B-25 of this Code. Persons so
5 licensed may use the title "school psychologist" and may
6 offer school psychological services which are limited to
7 those services set forth in 23 Ill. Adm. Code 226, Special
8 Education, pertaining to children between the ages of 3 to
9 21, promulgated by the State Board of Education.

10 School psychologists may make evaluations, recommendations
11 or interventions regarding the placement of children in
12 educational programs or special education classes. However, a
13 school psychologist shall not provide such services outside his
14 or her employment to any student in the district or districts
15 which employ such school psychologist.

16 (Source: P.A. 98-947, eff. 8-15-14.)

17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
18 becoming law.