



## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2019 and 2020

HB2605

by Rep. Fred Crespo

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/14-1.09b

Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. With regard to the speech-language pathologist provision, provides that notwithstanding the requirements of the provision, a Professional Educator License with a school support personnel endorsement for non-teaching speech-language pathologist shall be issued to a speech-language pathologist who (i) holds a regular license as a speech-language pathologist pursuant to the Illinois Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Practice Act and (ii) holds a current Certificate of Clinical Competence in speech-language pathology from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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 14-1.09b 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 engage  
12 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) (A) Holds a regular license as a speech-language  
18 pathologist pursuant to the Illinois Speech-Language  
19 Pathology and Audiology Practice Act, (B) holds a current  
20 Certificate of Clinical Competence in speech-language  
21 pathology from the American Speech-Language-Hearing  
22 Association and a regular license in speech-language  
23 pathology from another state or territory or the District

1 of Columbia and has applied for a regular license as a  
2 speech-language pathologist pursuant to the Illinois  
3 Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Practice Act, or  
4 (C) holds or has applied for a temporary license pursuant  
5 to Section 8.1 of the Illinois Speech-Language Pathology  
6 and Audiology Practice Act.

7 (2) Holds a master's or doctoral degree with a major  
8 emphasis in speech-language pathology from an institution  
9 whose course of study was approved or program was  
10 accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in  
11 Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American  
12 Speech-Language-Hearing Association or its predecessor.

13 (3) Either (i) has completed a program of study that  
14 meets the content area standards for speech-language  
15 pathologists approved by the State Board of Education, in  
16 consultation with the State Teachers Certification Board,  
17 (ii) has completed a program in another state, territory,  
18 or possession of the United States that is comparable to an  
19 approved program of study described in item (i), or (iii)  
20 holds a certificate issued by another state, territory, or  
21 possession of the United States that is comparable to the  
22 school service personnel certificate with a  
23 speech-language endorsement. If the requirements described  
24 in items (i), (ii), or (iii) of this paragraph (3) have not  
25 been met, a person must provide evidence that he or she has  
26 completed at least 150 clock hours of supervised experience

1 in speech-language pathology with students with  
2 disabilities in a school setting, including experience  
3 required by federal law or federal court order; however, a  
4 person who lacks such experience may obtain interim  
5 certification as established by the Illinois State Board of  
6 Education, in consultation with the State Teacher  
7 Certification Board, and shall participate in school-based  
8 professional experience of at least 150 clock hours to meet  
9 this requirement.

10 (4) Has successfully completed the required Illinois  
11 certification tests.

12 (5) Has paid the application fee required for  
13 certification.

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

17 (c) Notwithstanding subsection (b), a Professional  
18 Educator License with a school support personnel endorsement  
19 for non-teaching speech-language pathologist shall be issued  
20 under Section 21B-25 to a speech-language pathologist who (i)  
21 holds a regular license as a speech-language pathologist  
22 pursuant to the Illinois Speech-Language Pathology and  
23 Audiology Practice Act and (ii) holds a current Certificate of  
24 Clinical Competence in speech-language pathology from the  
25 American Speech-Language-Hearing Association.

26 (Source: P.A. 92-510, eff. 6-1-02; 93-112, eff. 1-1-04;

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