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following criteria:

1	AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 2274
2	AMENDMENT NO Amend House Bill 2274, AS AMENDED,
3	by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the
4	following:
5	"Section 5. The Illinois Speech-Language Pathology and
6	Audiology Practice Act is amended by changing Section 8.5 as
7	follows:
8	(225 ILCS 110/8.5)
9	(Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2028)
10	Sec. 8.5. Qualifications for licenses as a speech-language
11	pathology assistant. A person is qualified to be licensed as a
12	speech-language pathology assistant if that person has applied

in writing or electronically on forms prescribed by the

Department, has paid the required fees, and meets both of the

(1) Is of good moral character. In determining moral

character, the Department may take into consideration any felony conviction or plea of guilty or nolo contendere of the applicant, but such a conviction or plea shall not operate automatically as a complete bar to licensure.

(2) Has received either (i) an associate degree from a speech-language pathology assistant program that has been approved by the Department and that meets the minimum requirements set forth in Section 8.6, or (ii) a bachelor's degree and has completed course work from an accredited college or university that meets the minimum requirements set forth in Section 8.6, or (iii) a bachelor's degree in speech-language pathology or communication sciences and disorders from a regionally or nationally accredited institution approved by the Department, and evidence of completion of at least 100 hours of documented field work supervised by a licensed speech-language pathologist that is comparable to that completed in a speech-language pathology assistant program in this State.

(Source: P.A. 100-530, eff. 1-1-18.)".