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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 3467

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 3467 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Illinois Speech-Language Pathology and
5 Audiology Practice Act is amended by changing Sections 3.5,
6 8.5, and 8.6 as follows:

7 (225 ILCS 110/3.5)

8 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2028)

9 Sec. 3.5. Exemptions. This Act does not prohibit:

10 (a) The practice of speech-language pathology or
11 audiology by students in their course of study in programs
12 approved by the Department, or the performance of
13 speech-language pathology assistant services by graduates
14 who have obtained degrees as set forth in paragraph (2) of
15 Section 8.5 of the Act, when acting under the direction
16 and supervision of licensed speech-language pathologists

1 or audiologists.

2 (b) The performance of any speech-language pathology
3 service by a speech-language pathology assistant or
4 candidate for licensure as a speech-language pathology
5 assistant, if such service is performed under the
6 supervision and full responsibility of a licensed
7 speech-language pathologist. A speech language pathology
8 assistant or candidate for speech-language pathology
9 assistant licensure may perform only those duties
10 authorized by Section 8.7 under the supervision of a
11 speech-language pathologist as provided in Section 8.8.

12 (b-5) The performance of an audiology service by an
13 appropriately trained person if that service is performed
14 under the supervision and full responsibility of a
15 licensed audiologist.

16 (c) The performance of audiometric testing for the
17 purpose of industrial hearing conservation by an
18 audiometric technician certified by the Council of
19 Accreditation for Occupational Hearing Conservation
20 (CAOHC).

21 (d) The performance of an audiometric screening by an
22 audiometric screenings technician certified by the
23 Department of Public Health.

24 (e) The selling or practice of fitting, dispensing, or
25 servicing hearing instruments by a hearing instrument
26 dispenser licensed under the Hearing Instrument Consumer

1 Protection Act.

2 (f) A person licensed in this State under any other
3 Act from engaging in the practice for which he or she is
4 licensed.

5 (g) The performance of vestibular function testing by
6 an appropriately trained person under the supervision of a
7 physician licensed to practice medicine in all its
8 branches.

9 (h) The performance of neurophysiologic intraoperative
10 monitoring of the seventh and eighth cranial nerve by an
11 individual certified by the American Board of Registration
12 of Electroencephalographic and Evoked Potential
13 Technologists as Certified in Neurophysiologic
14 Intraoperative Monitoring only if authorized and
15 supervised by the physician performing the surgical
16 procedure.

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

18 (225 ILCS 110/8.5)

19 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2028)

20 Sec. 8.5. Qualifications for licenses as a speech-language
21 pathology assistant. A person is qualified to be licensed as a
22 speech-language pathology assistant if that person has applied
23 in writing or electronically on forms prescribed by the
24 Department, has paid the required fees, and meets both of the
25 following criteria:

1 (1) Is of good moral character. In determining moral
2 character, the Department may take into consideration any
3 felony conviction or plea of guilty or nolo contendere of
4 the applicant, but such a conviction or plea shall not
5 operate automatically as a complete bar to licensure.

6 (2) Has either:

7 (A) received an associate degree from a
8 speech-language pathology assistant program that has
9 been approved by the Department and that meets the
10 minimum requirements set forth in Section 8.6; or

11 (B) (i) received a bachelor's degree in
12 speech-language pathology, communication sciences and
13 disorders, or other content area from an accredited
14 college or university that has been approved by the
15 Department and meets the minimum requirements set
16 forth in Section 8.6, and (ii) completed the
17 requirements for certification as a speech-language
18 pathology assistant or completed an equivalent program
19 as determined by the Department by rule.

20 ~~(2) Has received either (i) an associate degree from a~~
21 ~~speech language pathology assistant program that has been~~
22 ~~approved by the Department and that meets the minimum~~
23 ~~requirements set forth in Section 8.6, (ii) a bachelor's~~
24 ~~degree and has completed course work from an accredited~~
25 ~~college or university that meets the minimum requirements~~
26 ~~set forth in Section 8.6, or (iii) a bachelor's degree in~~

1 ~~speech language pathology or communication sciences and~~
2 ~~disorders from a regionally or nationally accredited~~
3 ~~institution approved by the Department, and evidence of~~
4 ~~completion of at least 100 hours of documented field work~~
5 ~~supervised by a licensed speech language pathologist that~~
6 ~~is comparable to that completed in a speech language~~
7 ~~pathology assistant program in this State.~~

8 (Source: P.A. 103-302, eff. 1-1-24.)

9 (225 ILCS 110/8.6)

10 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2028)

11 Sec. 8.6. Minimum requirements for speech-language
12 pathology assistant programs.

13 (a) An applicant for licensure as a speech-language
14 pathology assistant must have earned 60 semester credit hours
15 in a program of study that includes general education and the
16 specific knowledge and skills for a speech-language pathology
17 assistant. The curriculum of a speech-language pathology
18 assistant program must include all of the following content,
19 as further provided by rule promulgated by the Department:

20 (1) Twenty-four semester credit hours in general
21 education.

22 (2) Thirty-six semester credit hours in technical
23 content areas designed to provide students with knowledge
24 and skills required for speech-language pathology
25 assistants, which must include (i) an introductory or

1 overview course in ~~of normal processes of~~ communication
2 disorders; (ii) phonetics ~~an overview of communication~~
3 ~~disorders~~; (iii) speech sound disorders ~~instruction in~~
4 ~~speech-language pathology assistant-level service~~
5 ~~delivery practices~~; (iv) language development ~~instruction~~
6 ~~in workplace behaviors~~; (v) language disorders ~~cultural~~
7 ~~and linguistic factors in communication~~; and (vi) anatomy
8 and physiology of speech and hearing mechanisms
9 ~~observation~~.

10 (3) Completion of at least 100 hours of supervised
11 field work experiences supervised by a licensed
12 speech-language pathologist at least 50% of the time when
13 the student is engaged in contact with the patient or
14 client. An applicant must obtain written verification
15 demonstrating successful completion of the required field
16 work experience, including a description of the setting in
17 which the training was received and an assessment of the
18 student's technical proficiency.

19 (b) The Department may promulgate rules that change the
20 curriculum requirements of subsection (a) in order to reflect
21 the guidelines for speech-language pathology assistant
22 programs recommended by the American Speech-Language Hearing
23 Association.

24 (c) Any applicant for licensure as a speech-language
25 pathology assistant who applies to the Department prior to the
26 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 96th General

1 Assembly or any person who holds a valid license as a
2 speech-language pathology assistant on the effective date of
3 this amendatory Act shall not be required to meet the new
4 minimum requirements for a speech language pathology assistant
5 program under subsection (a) of this Section 8.6 that are
6 established by this amendatory Act.

7 (Source: P.A. 96-1315, eff. 7-27-10.)

8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January
9 1, 2025."