

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2013 and 2014 HB2975

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/14-1.09.1 105 ILCS 5/14-1.09.2

Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. In a Section concerning school psychological services, provides that nothing in the Section prohibits school social workers from providing those school psychological services listed for which they are appropriately trained. In a Section concerning school social work services, provides that school social worker services may include providing those school psychological services listed under the Section concerning school psychological services if the person is appropriately trained. Adds references to Professional Educator Licenses in these Sections.

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1 AN ACT concerning education.

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

- Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Sections 14-1.09.1 and 14-1.09.2 as follows:
- 6 (105 ILCS 5/14-1.09.1)

7 Sec. 14-1.09.1. School psychological services. In public schools, school psychological services provided by 8 9 qualified specialists who hold Type 73 School Service Personnel 10 Certificates endorsed for school psychology issued by the State Teacher Certification Board or who hold a Professional Educator 11 12 License with a school service personnel endorsement in the area of school psychologist under Section 21B-25 of this Code may 13 14 include, but are not limited to: (i) administration and interpretation of psychological and educational evaluations; 15 (ii) developing school-based prevention programs, including 16 17 violence prevention programs; (iii) counseling with students, parents, and teachers on educational and mental health issues; 18 19 (iv) acting as liaisons between public schools and community agencies; (v) evaluating program effectiveness; (vi) providing 20 21 crisis intervention within the school setting; (vii) helping teachers, parents, and others involved in the educational 22 process to provide optimum teaching and learning conditions for 23

- 1 all students; (viii) supervising school psychologist interns
- 2 enrolled in school psychology programs that meet the standards
- 3 established by the State Board of Education; and (ix) screening
- 4 of school enrollments to identify children who should be
- 5 referred for individual study. Nothing in this Section
- 6 prohibits other qualified professionals, including school
- 7 <u>social workers</u>, from providing those services listed for which
- 8 they are appropriately trained.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 89-339, eff. 8-17-95.)
- 10 (105 ILCS 5/14-1.09.2)
- 11 Sec. 14-1.09.2. School Social Work Services. In the public
- 12 schools, social work services may be provided by qualified
- 13 specialists who hold Type 73 School Service Personnel
- 14 Certificates endorsed for school social work issued by the
- 15 State Teacher Certification Board or who hold a Professional
- 16 Educator License with a school service personnel endorsement in
- 17 the area of school social worker under Section 21B-25 of this
- 18 Code.
- 19 School social work services may include, but are not
- 20 limited to:
- 21 (1) Identifying students in need of special education
- 22 services by conducting a social-developmental study in a
- 23 case study evaluation;
- 24 (2) Developing and implementing comprehensive
- 25 interventions with students, parents, and teachers that

- will enhance student adjustment to, and performance in, the
 school setting;
 - (3) Consulting and collaborating with teachers and other school personnel regarding behavior management and intervention plans and inclusion in support of special education students in regular classroom settings;
 - (4) Counseling with students, parents, and teachers in accordance with the rules and regulations governing provision of related services, provided that parent permission must be obtained in writing before a student participates in a group counseling session;
 - (5) Acting as a liaison between the public schools and community resources;
 - (6) Developing and implementing school-based prevention programs including mediation and violence prevention;
 - (7) Providing crisis intervention within the school setting;
 - (8) Supervising school social work interns enrolled in school social work programs that meet the standards established by the State Board of Education;
 - (9) Providing parent education and counseling as appropriate in relation to the child's educational assessment; and
 - (10) Assisting in completing a functional behavioral assessment, as well as assisting in the development of

1 nonaversive behavioral intervention strategies; and-2 (11) Providing those school psychological services 3 listed under Section 14-1.09.1 of this Code if the person is appropriately trained. 4 5 Nothing in this Section prohibits other certified 6 professionals from providing any of the services listed in this 7 Section for which they are appropriately trained. 8 (Source: P.A. 92-362, eff. 8-15-01; 92-651, eff. 7-11-02.)