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Introduced by Rep. VanderWall

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 4101

AN ACT to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “An act to protect and promote the public health; to codify, revise, consolidate, classify, and add to the laws relating to public health; to provide for the prevention and control of diseases and disabilities; to provide for the classification, administration, regulation, financing, and maintenance of personal, environmental, and other health services and activities; to create or continue, and prescribe the powers and duties of, departments, boards, commissions, councils, committees, task forces, and other agencies; to prescribe the powers and duties of governmental entities and officials; to regulate occupations, facilities, and agencies affecting the public health; to regulate health maintenance organizations and certain third party administrators and insurers; to provide for the imposition of a regulatory fee; to provide for the levy of taxes against certain health facilities or agencies; to promote the efficient and economical delivery of health care services, to provide for the appropriate utilization of health care facilities and services, and to provide for the closure of hospitals or consolidation of hospitals or services; to provide for the collection and use of data and information; to provide for the transfer of property; to provide certain immunity from liability; to regulate and prohibit the sale and offering for sale of drug paraphernalia under certain circumstances; to provide for the implementation of federal law; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide for sanctions for violations of this act and local ordinances; to provide for an appropriation and supplements; to repeal certain acts and parts of acts; to repeal certain parts of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates,” by amending section 17609 (MCL 333.17609), as amended by 2010 PA 304.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 17609. (1) The department shall, upon submission of a completed application and payment of the appropriate application processing and license fee, issue a license under this part to the following:

(a) An individual who meets the requirements of subsection (2) or (3).

(b) An individual who possesses a master’s or doctor of science or doctor of philosophy degree in speech-language pathology acceptable to the board, who has successfully completed an accredited speech-language pathology training program approved by the department and the board that has at least 9 months, or the equivalent, of full-time supervised postgraduate clinical experience in speech-language pathology, and who passes an examination acceptable to the board.

(2) A certified teacher who, on January 12, 2009, was endorsed in the area of speech and language impairment for the sole purpose of providing services as a part of employment or contract with a school district, intermediate school district, nonpublic school, or state department that provides educational services is eligible for a license under this part. An individual who meets the requirements of this subsection shall first apply for a license on or before the expiration of 2 years after the effective date of the rules promulgated under this part. An individual who obtains a license under this subsection is eligible for renewal of that license under this part if he or she continues to meet the requirements of this subsection.

(3) An individual who, on January 12, 2009, has the credential conferred by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association as a certified speech-language pathologist is eligible for a license under this part. An individual who meets the requirements of this subsection and who maintains the credential conferred by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association or a successor credential conferred by its successor organization shall first apply for a license on or before the expiration of 2 years after the effective date of the rules promulgated under this part. An individual who obtains a license under this subsection is eligible for renewal of that license under this part if he or she continues to meet the requirements of this subsection.

(4) An individual may apply for a temporary license under this subsection for the purpose of completing a supervised postgraduate clinical experience. The department shall issue a temporary license under this subsection for a period not to exceed 24 months. A temporary license issued under this subsection may be renewed for 1 additional 12-month term if the applicant continues to meet the requirements of this subsection. An individual seeking a temporary license under this subsection shall obtain a temporary license before beginning the supervised postgraduate clinical experience. At the conclusion of the postgraduate clinical experience, the individual's supervisor shall sign and submit to the department a report that documents the individual's satisfactory completion of the supervised postgraduate clinical experience. To be eligible for a temporary license under this subsection, an applicant must meet all of the following requirements:

(a) Possess a master's or doctor of science or doctor of philosophy degree in speech-language pathology acceptable to the board. An applicant shall have his or her academic transcripts provided directly to the department by the academic institution.

(b) Submit a plan for supervised postgraduate clinical experience on a form approved by the board and signed by a licensed professional who will provide supervision.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 180 days after the date it is enacted into law.


Clerk of the House of Representatives


Secretary of the Senate

Approved _____

Governor