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Senator Williams

A BILL

To amend section 4732.10 of the Revised Code to
modify the supervised professional experience
requirement to obtain a psychologist license.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 4732.10 of the Revised Code be
amended to read as follows:

Sec. 4732.10. (A) The state board of psychology shall
appoint an entrance examiner who shall determine the sufficiency
of an applicant's qualifications for admission to the
appropriate examination. A member of the board or the executive
director may be appointed as the entrance examiner.

(B) Requirements for admission to examination for a
psychologist license shall be that the applicant:

(1) Is at least twenty-one years of age;

(2) Meets one of the following requirements:

(a) Received an earned doctoral degree from an institution
accredited or recognized by a national or regional accrediting
agency and a program accredited by any of the following:

(i) The American psychological association, office of 18
program consultation and accreditation; 19

(ii) The accreditation office of the Canadian 20
psychological association; 21

(iii) A program listed by the association of state and 22
provincial psychology boards/national register designation 23
committee; 24

(iv) The national association of school psychologists. 25

(b) Received an earned doctoral degree in psychology or 26
school psychology from an institution accredited or recognized 27
by a national or regional accrediting agency but the program 28
does not meet the program accreditation requirements of division 29
(B) (2) (a) of this section; 30

(c) Received from an academic institution outside of the 31
United States or Canada a degree determined, under rules adopted 32
by the board under division (E) of this section, to be 33
equivalent to a doctoral degree in psychology from a program 34
described in division (B) (2) (a) of this section; 35

(d) Held a psychologist license, certificate, or 36
registration required for practice in another United States or 37
Canadian jurisdiction for a minimum of ten years and meets 38
educational, experience, and professional requirements 39
established under rules adopted by the board. 40

(3) ~~Has~~ If applying under division (B) (2) (a) or (b) of 41
this section, has had at least two years of supervised 42
professional experience in psychological work of a type 43
satisfactory to the board, at least one year of which must be a 44
predoctoral internship. The board shall adopt guidelines for the 45
kind of supervised professional experience that fulfill this 46

requirement, except that the board shall not require any 47
postdoctoral supervised professional experience to fulfill this 48
requirement. 49

(4) If applying under division ~~(B) (2) (b) or (c)~~ (B) (2) (c) 50
of this section, has had at least two years of supervised 51
professional experience in psychological work of a type 52
satisfactory to the board, at least one year of which must be 53
postdoctoral. The board shall adopt guidelines for the kind of 54
supervised professional experience that fulfill this 55
requirement. 56

(C) Requirements for admission to examination for a school 57
psychologist license shall be that the applicant: 58

(1) Has received from an educational institution 59
accredited or recognized by national or regional accrediting 60
agencies as maintaining satisfactory standards, including those 61
approved by the state board of education for the training of 62
school psychologists, at least a master's degree in school 63
psychology, or a degree considered equivalent by the board; 64

(2) Is at least twenty-one years of age; 65

(3) Has completed at least sixty quarter hours, or the 66
semester hours equivalent, at the graduate level, of accredited 67
study in course work relevant to the study of school psychology; 68

(4) Has completed an internship in an educational 69
institution approved by the Ohio department of education for 70
school psychology supervised experience or one year of other 71
training experience acceptable to the board, such as supervised 72
professional experience under the direction of a licensed 73
psychologist or licensed school psychologist; 74

(5) Furnishes proof of at least twenty-seven months, 75

exclusive of internship, of full-time experience as a 76
certificated school psychologist employed by a board of 77
education or a private school meeting the standards prescribed 78
by the state board of education, or of experience that the board 79
deems equivalent. 80

(D) If the entrance examiner finds that the applicant 81
meets the requirements set forth in this section, the applicant 82
shall be admitted to the appropriate examination. 83

(E) The board shall adopt under Chapter 119. of the 84
Revised Code rules for determining for the purposes of division 85
~~(B) (2) (b)~~ (B) (2) (c) of this section whether a degree is 86
equivalent to a degree in psychology from an institution in the 87
United States. 88

Section 2. That existing section 4732.10 of the Revised 89
Code is hereby repealed. 90