

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# SENATE BILL NO. 431

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR MCCREERY.

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KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

## AN ACT

To repeal section 345.050, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to licensure of speech pathologists and audiologists.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 345.050, RSMo, is repealed and one new  
2 section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 345.050,  
3 to read as follows:

345.050. To be eligible for licensure by the board by  
2 examination, each applicant shall submit the application fee  
3 and shall furnish evidence of such person's current  
4 competence and shall:

5 (1) Hold a master's or a doctoral degree from a  
6 program that was awarded "accreditation candidate" status or  
7 is accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation of  
8 the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association or other  
9 accrediting agency approved by the board in the area in  
10 which licensure is sought;

11 (2) Submit official transcripts from one or more  
12 accredited colleges or universities presenting evidence of  
13 the completion of course work and clinical practicum  
14 requirements equivalent to that required by the Council on  
15 Academic Accreditation of the American Speech-Language-  
16 Hearing Association or other accrediting agency approved by  
17 the board;

**EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

18           (3) Present written evidence of completion of a  
19 clinical fellowship from supervisors. The experience  
20 required by this subdivision shall follow the completion of  
21 the requirements of subdivisions (1) and (2) of this  
22 section. This period of employment shall be under the  
23 direct supervision of a [person who is licensed by the state  
24 of Missouri in the profession in which the applicant seeks  
25 to be] licensed **speech-language pathologist in good**  
26 **standing**. Persons applying with an audiology clinical  
27 doctoral degree are exempt from this provision; and  
28           (4) Pass an examination promulgated or approved by the  
29 board. The board shall determine the subject and scope of  
30 the examinations.

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