

"An Act relating to licensing of speech pathologists and audiologists."

COMMITTEE REPORT

4/12/76

HOUSE

Mr. Speaker:

Date \_\_\_\_\_

The Committee on FINANCE has had HB 635

under consideration. A Majority of the members of the Committee

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Members signing the Majority report:

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Members NOT concurring in the Majority report:

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\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman

COMMITTEE REPORT

1/21/76

HOUSE

FINANCE

Mr. Speaker:

Date March 25, 1976

HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES

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Members signing the Majority report:

<u>Susan Sullivan</u>	<u>Do Pass</u>	_____
<u>Helen Beine</u>	<u>Do Pass</u>	_____
<u>Kathryn O'Rourke</u>	<u>Do Pass</u>	_____
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Members NOT concurring in the Majority report:

<u>Charles Han</u>	recommends: <u>No recommendation</u>
<u>Alicia O'Rourke</u>	recommends: <u>no Rec.</u>
<u>Gene Adams</u>	recommends: <u>no REC.</u>

\_\_\_\_\_ recommends:

\_\_\_\_\_ recommends:

Sullivan

Chairman

Original sponsor: H. B. J.

Offered: 4/12/76  
Referred: Finance

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND  
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 635

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to licensing of speech pathologists  
7 and audiologists; and providing for an effective date."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 \* Section 1. AS 08 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

10 CHAPTER 74. SPEECH PATHOLOGISTS AND AUDIOLOGISTS.

11 ARTICLE 1. BOARD OF SPEECH PATHOLOGY

12 AND AUDIOLOGY.

13 Sec 08.74.010. ESTABLISHMENT; MEMBERSHIP; APPOINTMENT OF BOARD.

14 There is established the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology, con-  
15 sisting of five members from as many separate judicial districts as  
16 possible. Members shall have been residents of the state for at least  
17 two years immediately preceding their appointment. The board consists  
18 of two speech pathologists, one audiologist, one physician, and one  
19 public member. The speech pathologists and audiologist on the first  
20 board shall meet the requirements of sec. 110 of this chapter. Members  
21 are appointed by the governor, who may appoint members from a list of  
22 persons submitted by the Alaska Speech and Hearing Association.

23 Sec. 08.74.020. TERM OF OFFICE; COMPENSATION. (a) Board members  
24 serve staggered three-year terms. Two members of the first board serve  
25 three-year terms, two members serve two-year terms, and one member  
26 serves a one-year term. A member may not serve more than two full terms  
27 consecutively.

28 (b) Board members serve voluntarily except that members are en-  
29 titled to travel expenses and per diem as allowed by law for other

COMMITTEE COPY

1 boards.

2 Sec. 08.74.030. CHAIRPERSON, MEETINGS, QUORUM. (a) The board  
3 annually elects a chairperson from its members.

4 (b) The board shall hold a regular meeting annually and other  
5 meetings as may be necessary. Special meetings may be called by the  
6 chairperson or by concurrence of two board members. A majority of the  
7 members of the board constitutes a quorum.

8 Sec. 08.74.040. DUTIES AND POWERS. The board shall

- 9 (1) adopt standards for licensure of speech pathologists and  
10 audiologists;
- 11 (2) adopt regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes of  
12 this chapter;
- 13 (3) evaluate the qualifications of applicants;
- 14 (4) investigate persons engaging in practices violating the  
15 provisions of this chapter;
- 16 (5) conduct hearings and keep records and minutes necessary  
17 for carrying out the purposes of this chapter;
- 18 (6) adopt standards for continuing professional education for  
19 persons licensed under this chapter;
- 20 (7) establish, in consultation with the department, fees for  
21 licenses issued by the board.

22 ARTICLE 2. LICENSING OF SPEECH PATHOLOGISTS  
23 AND AUDIOLOGISTS.

24 Sec. 08.74.100. LICENSURE AS AUDIOLOGIST. To be eligible for a  
25 license as an audiologist, an applicant shall

- 26 (1) have a master's degree in audiology;
- 27 (2) submit evidence to the board of having completed the  
28 requirements of the American Speech and Hearing Association for the cer-  
29 tificate of clinical competence in audiology.

1           Sec. 08.74.110. LICENSURE AS SPEECH PATHOLOGIST. To be eligible  
2 for a license as a speech pathologist, an applicant shall

3           (1) have a master's degree in speech pathology;

4           (2) submit evidence to the board of having completed the  
5 requirements of the American Speech and Hearing Association for the  
6 certificate of clinical competence in speech pathology.

7           Sec. 08.74.120. WAIVER OF REQUIREMENTS. The board shall waive the  
8 requirements of sec. 100 or 110 of this chapter for an applicant who, on  
9 the effective date of this Act or in the two years before the effective  
10 date of this Act for a period of at least six consecutive months, has  
11 been actively engaged in the practice of speech pathology or audiology  
12 and has a bachelor's degree in speech pathology or audiology, pays the  
13 applicable fees, and applies for a license under this section or within  
14 a year after the effective date of this Act.

15           Sec. 08.74.130. ENDORSEMENT. The board may license a person as an  
16 audiologist or speech pathologist if the person

17           (1) holds the American Speech and Hearing Association Certi-  
18 ficate of Clinical Competence in speech pathology or audiology; and

19           (2) is currently licensed as a speech pathologist or audiolo-  
20 gist in another state or in Canada and that state or province in Canada  
21 maintains professional licensing standards equivalent to those in this  
22 chapter.

23           Sec. 08.74.140. DENIAL, SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF LICENSE. The  
24 board may deny, suspend, or revoke a license of, or reprimand or censure  
25 a person or applicant who has

26           (1) obtained or attempted to obtain a license under this  
27 chapter by fraud or deceit; or

28           (2) wilfully violated a provision of this chapter or a  
29 regulation adopted under this chapter.

1           Sec. 08.74.150. RENEWAL OF LICENSE. (a) Licenses expire bien-  
2 nially on a date set by the department and may be renewed by making an  
3 application to the department and meeting the requirements established  
4 by the board under sec. 40 of this chapter.

5           (b) A person who fails to renew his license within five years  
6 after the date of its expiration must meet the requirements for obtain-  
7 ing an initial license under this chapter.

8           Sec. 08.74.160. SPEECH PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY AIDES. A person  
9 pursuing a degree in speech pathology or audiology at an accredited  
10 college or university may work as a speech pathologist or audiologist  
11 aide if the person meets the standards set by the board for speech  
12 pathologist or audiologist aides and is supervised by a speech patholo-  
13 gist or audiologist licensed under this chapter.

14           ARTICLE 3. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

15           Sec. 08.74.200. APPLICABILITY OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT.  
16 The board shall adopt regulations and conduct hearings in accordance  
17 with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62).

18           Sec. 08.74.210. VIOLATIONS. (a) It is unlawful for a person to

19           (1) fraudulently obtain or furnish a license, renewal or  
20 record required by this chapter;

21           (2) use the title "speech pathologist" or "audiologist", or a  
22 title or designation indicating or tending to indicate that he is a  
23 speech pathologist or audiologist unless licensed by this chapter;

24           (3) wilfully violate a provision of this chapter or a regula-  
25 tion adopted under this chapter.

26           (b) A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor  
27 and upon conviction is punishable by a fine of \$500, or by imprisonment  
28 for one year, or by both.

29           Sec. 08.74.220. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter

1 (1) "actively engaged in the practice of speech pathology or  
2 audiology" means the accumulation of 360 hours of practice in the appli-  
3 cable field within a six-month period;

4 (2) "audiology" means the application of principles, methods,  
5 and procedures for measurement, testing, evaluation, prediction, con-  
6 sultation, counseling, instruction, habilitation, or rehabilitation  
7 related to hearing and disorders of hearing;

8 (3) "speech pathology" means the application of principles,  
9 methods and procedures for the measurement, testing, evaluation, diag-  
10 nosis, counseling, instruction, habilitation, or rehabilitation related  
11 to the development and disorders of speech, voice, or language.

12 (4) "board" means the Board of Speech Pathology and Audi-  
13 ology;

14 \* Sec. 2. AS 08.01.010 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

15 (21) Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology.

16 \* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect July 1, 1976.  
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Introduced: 1/21/76  
Referred: Health, Education &  
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BY H. BEIRNE

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11 ARTICLE 1. BOARD OF EXAMINERS

12 OF SPEECH PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY.

13 Sec. 08.74.010. CREATION AND MEMBERSHIP OF BOARD. There is  
14 created the Board of Examiners of Speech Pathology and Audiology. The  
15 board shall have three members, residing in as many separate Alaska  
16 judicial districts as possible. Members shall have been residents of  
17 the state for at least two years immediately preceding their appoint-  
18 ment. Two board members shall be speech pathologists, and one member  
19 shall be an audiologist. Board members shall be licensed for the  
20 practice of speech pathology or audiology in this state, except for  
21 the three members first appointed who shall fulfill the requirements  
22 of sec. 110 of this chapter.

23 Sec. 08.74.020. APPOINTMENTS. (a) Members shall be appointed  
24 by the governor from names submitted to the governor by the Alaska  
25 Speech and Hearing Association. The governor shall appoint one board  
26 member for a term of one year, one for a term of two years, and one for  
27 a term of three years. Appointments made thereafter shall be for three-  
28 year terms. No person is eligible to serve more than two full consecu-  
29 tive terms. Terms begin on the first day of the calendar year and end

1 on the last day of the calendar year, except the first appointed members  
2 who shall serve through the last calendar day of the year in which they  
3 are appointed before commencing the terms prescribed by this section.

4 (b) Within 30 days after the date of enactment of this chapter,  
5 the association shall submit the names of six speech pathologists for  
6 two board positions, and three audiologists for one board position  
7 created by (a) of this section. After the initial appointment, the  
8 association shall recommend, at least 60 days before the end of each  
9 calendar year, three speech pathologists or audiologists for each  
10 vacancy occurring at the end of the calendar year. A vacancy shall be  
11 filled by appointment for the unexpired term.

12 Sec. 08.74.030. MEETINGS OF THE BOARD. (a) A majority of the  
13 board constitutes a quorum.

14 (b) The board shall meet during the first month of each calendar  
15 year. At least one additional meeting shall be held before the end of  
16 each calendar year. Further meetings may be convened at the written  
17 request of a board member. All meetings of the board shall be open to  
18 the public.

19 (c) Members of the board are entitled to per diem and expenses  
20 authorized by law.

21 Sec. 08.74.040. FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD. The board is authorized  
22 to

23 (1) adopt regulations necessary to make this chapter effec-  
24 tive;

25 (2) administer the provisions of this chapter, evaluate the  
26 qualifications of applicants, and investigate persons engaging in  
27 practices which violate the provisions of this chapter;

28 (3) conduct hearings, administer oaths to persons giving  
29 testimony at hearings, and keep records and minutes necessary to an

1 orderly dispatch of business; and

2 (4) establish fees for licenses issued by the board.

3 Sec. 08.74.060. ANNUAL REPORTS. The board shall make an annual  
4 report to the governor no later than November 15 of each year. The  
5 report shall contain an account of all money received, licenses issued,  
6 suspended or revoked, and all expenditures made by the board in the 12  
7 months before that date.

8 ARTICLE 2. LICENSING OF SPEECH

9 PATHOLOGISTS AND AUDIOLOGISTS.

10 Sec. 08.74.100. LICENSE REQUIRED. (a) No person may practice  
11 speech pathology or audiology or represent himself as a speech patholo-  
12 gist or audiologist in this state without first obtaining a license in  
13 accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

14 (b) Licenses shall be granted in either speech pathology or audi-  
15 ology independently. A person may be licensed in both areas if he meets  
16 the respective qualifications.

17 Sec. 08.74.110. ELIGIBILITY. To be eligible for a license as a  
18 speech pathologist or audiologist, the applicant shall

19 (1) possess at least a master's degree in the area of speech  
20 pathology or audiology;

21 (2) submit evidence to the board of meeting the requirements  
22 of the American Speech and Hearing Association for the certificate of  
23 clinical competence in speech pathology or audiology.

24 Sec. 08.74.120. WAIVER OF REQUIREMENTS. The board shall waive  
25 the requirements of sec. 110 of this chapter for an applicant who

26 (1) on the effective date of this chapter, or in the two  
27 years before the effective date of this chapter for a period of at  
28 least six consecutive months, has been actively engaged in the practice  
29 of speech pathology or audiology and has a bachelor's degree in speech

1 pathology or audiology;

2 (2) is currently licensed in another state or United States  
3 territory, including the District of Columbia, or a province of Canada,  
4 which maintains professional standards equivalent to those set out in  
5 this chapter;

6 (3) holds the American Speech and Hearing Association Certi-  
7 ficate of Clinical Competence in speech pathology or audiology.

8 Sec. 08.74.130. SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION OF LICENSE. (a) The  
9 board shall issue a license to a person who meets the requirements of  
10 this chapter. The board may refuse to issue or renew a license or may  
11 suspend or revoke a license if the licensee or applicant has been guilty  
12 of unprofessional conduct which has endangered or is likely to endanger  
13 the health, welfare, or safety of the public. Unprofessional conduct  
14 may result from

15 (1) procurement of a license by means of fraud, misrepresenta-  
16 tion, or concealment of material facts;

17 (2) unprofessional conduct as defined by the regulations  
18 established by the board;

19 (3) conviction of a felony involving moral turpitude; or

20 (4) violation of a provision of this chapter or a regulation  
21 issued under this chapter.

22 (b) The board may deny an application for, or suspend, revoke, or  
23 impose probationary conditions upon a license after a hearing has been  
24 conducted.

25 (c) One year from the date of revocation of a license under this  
26 section, application may be made to the board for reinstatement. The  
27 board may accept or reject an application for reinstatement and may  
28 require an examination for reinstatement.

29 Sec. 08.74.140. RENEWAL OF LICENSE. (a) A license issued under

1 this chapter shall be issued for a term of two years and may be renewed  
2 for a like period.

3 (b) A revoked license is subject to expiration, but it may not be  
4 renewed. If a revoked license is reinstated after its expiration, the  
5 licensee, as a condition of reinstatement, shall pay a reinstatement  
6 fee.

7 (c) A person who fails to renew his license within five years  
8 after the date of its expiration may not renew it but may apply for and  
9 obtain a new license upon compliance with the provisions of this chapter  
10 for the issuing of an initial license.

11 Sec. 08.74.150. CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION. The board  
12 shall assure continuing professional education of persons licensed under  
13 this chapter as a condition for continued licensure.

14 Sec. 08.74.160. SPEECH PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY AIDS. (a) A  
15 person pursuing a course of study at an accredited college or university  
16 which leads to a degree in speech pathology or audiology and who has  
17 been designated as a speech pathology or audiology aide or intern or  
18 any other title appropriate to his level of training may provide speech  
19 pathology or audiology services.

20 (b) A speech pathology or audiology aide shall be supervised by  
21 a speech pathologist or audiologist who is licensed under this chapter.

22 (c) The board shall adopt minimum standards for speech pathology  
23 and audiology aides which shall be less than the standards applicable  
24 to speech pathologists and audiologists.

25 Sec. 08.74.170. EXEMPTIONS. This chapter does not apply to

26 (1) a physician or surgeon engaging in the practice of medi-  
27 cine;

28 (2) a hearing aid dealer engaging in the business of fitting  
29 and selling hearing aids;

1 (3) a person engaging in a profession or occupation for  
2 which he is licensed by the state;

3 (4) a person who holds a valid and current credential as a  
4 speech or hearing specialist, issued by the Department of Education, or  
5 a person employed as a speech pathologist or audiologist by the govern-  
6 ment of the United States while engaging in the discharge of his offi-  
7 cial duties or offering lectures to the public for a fee;

8 (5) a person not a resident of this state and not licensed  
9 under this chapter who meets the qualifications and requirements  
10 described in sec. 110 of this chapter if he provides speech pathology  
11 or audiology services for not more than 60 days in any calendar year  
12 and his services are performed in cooperation with a speech pathologist  
13 or audiologist licensed under this chapter.

14 ARTICLE 3. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

15 Sec. 08.74.200. APPLICABILITY OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT.  
16 The board shall adopt regulations and conduct hearings in accordance  
17 with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62).

18 Sec. 08.74.210. PENALTIES. A person practicing, or presenting  
19 himself to be practicing, speech pathology or audiology without a  
20 license is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction is punishable  
21 by a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$100, or by imprisonment  
22 for not less than 10 days nor more than 90 days, or by both. Each day  
23 of unlicensed practice is a separate offense.

24 Sec. 08.74.220. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter

25 (1) "actively engaged" means the accumulation of 360 hours of  
26 practice within a six-month period;

27 (2) "audiologist" means an individual who practices audiology  
28 or who presents himself to the public by a title or description of ser-  
29 vices incorporating the words audiologist, audiology, audiological,

1 hearing clinician, hearing clinic, hearing therapist, or a similar title  
2 or description of service;

3 (3) "audiology" means the application of principles, methods,  
4 and procedures for measurement, testing, evaluation, prediction, con-  
5 sultation, counseling, instruction, habilitation, or rehabilitation  
6 related to hearing and disorders of hearing for the purpose of evalua-  
7 ting, identifying, preventing, treating, ameliorating, or modifying these  
8 disorders and conditions in individuals or groups of individuals;

9 (4) "board" means the Alaska Board of Examiners of Speech  
10 Pathology and Audiology;

11 (5) "speech pathologist" means an individual who practices  
12 speech pathology or who presents himself to the public by a title or  
13 description of services incorporating the words speech pathologist,  
14 speech therapist, speech correctionist, speech clinician, language  
15 pathologist, language therapist, logopedist, communicologist, voice  
16 therapist, voice pathologist, or a similar title or description of  
17 service;

18 (6) "speech pathology" means the application of principles,  
19 methods and procedures for the measurement, testing, evaluation, diag-  
20 nosis, counseling, instruction, habilitation, or rehabilitation related  
21 to the development and disorders of speech, voice, or language for the  
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Legislature Session

HOUSE NO. 635

By

"An Act relating to licensure of ..."

Introduced in the House 1971

HISTORY IN THE HOUSE

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THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

FISCAL NOTE

Second Session - Ninth Legislature

I. REQUEST

Bill No. House Bill 635

Title: An Act relating to licensing of speech pathologists & audiologists

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Return Date Requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency: Commerce Program: Licensing of Professions

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Budget Request Unit(s) Affected: Regulating and Licensing of Professions

A. EXPENDITURES: (Thousands of dollars)

OBJECT	FY 76	FY 77	FY 78	FY 79	FY 80	FY 81
100 PERSONAL SERVICES		15.4	16.9	18.6	20.5	22.5
200 TRAVEL		3.2	3.5	3.9	4.3	4.7
300 CONTRACTUAL		2.5	2.8	3.0	3.3	3.7
400 COMMODITIES		.7	.8	.8	.9	1.0
500 EQUIPMENT		1.3	.0	.0	.0	.0
600 LAND & STRUCTURES						
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC.						
TOTAL		23.1	24.0	26.3	29.0	31.9

B. FUNDING: (Thousands of dollars)

GENERAL FUND		23.1	24.0	26.3	29.0	31.9
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						

C. POSITIONS:

PERMANENT/TEMPORARY	/	1 /	1 /	1 /	1 /	1 /
MAN MONTHS (P./T.)	/	12 /	12 /	12 /	12 /	12 /

III. ANALYSIS (See Fiscal Note Preparation Instructions, Section III)

The Division has reached capacity as far as providing administrative services to licensing boards with existing staff. Five examiners share 21 boards which is an average of 4 1/4 each. One examiner is assigned the Board of Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors and one examiner works exclusively with construction contractors because of the large numbers of licensees. Any new board will require additional examiner staffing. Assumes 10% inflation and effective date of July 1, 1976.

IV. ATTACHMENTS

V. DATE: February 4, 1976 PREPARED BY: Sharon Andrew, Director

Original: Legislative Finance  
 cc: Budget and Management  
 Prime Sponsor (First Legislator Named)

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12 AND AUDIOLOGY.

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17 two years immediately preceding their appointment. The board consists  
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5 and procedures for measurement, testing, evaluation, prediction, con-  
6 sultation, counseling, instruction, habilitation, or rehabilitation  
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(1) "actively engaged in the practice of speech pathology or audiology" means the accumulation of 360 hours of practice in the applicable field within a six-month period;

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(21) Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology.

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21 licenses issued by the board.

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12 and has a bachelor's degree in speech pathology or audiology, pays the  
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18 ment. Two board members shall be speech pathologists, and one member  
19 shall be an audiologist. Board members shall be licensed for the  
20 practice of speech pathology or audiology in this state, except for  
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22 of sec. 110 of this chapter.

23 Sec. 08.74.020. APPOINTMENTS. (a) Members shall be appointed  
24 by the governor from names submitted to the governor by the Alaska  
25 Speech and Hearing Association. The governor shall appoint one board  
26 member for a term of one year, one for a term of two years, and one for  
27 a term of three years. Appointments made thereafter shall be for three-  
28 year terms. No person is eligible to serve more than two full consecu-  
29 tive terms. Terms begin on the first day of the calendar year and end

1 on the last day of the calendar year, except the first appointed members  
2 who shall serve through the last calendar day of the year in which they  
3 are appointed before commencing the terms prescribed by this section.

4 (b) Within 30 days after the date of enactment of this chapter,  
5 the association shall submit the names of six speech pathologists for  
6 two board positions, and three audiologists for one board position  
7 created by (a) of this section. After the initial appointment, the  
8 association shall recommend, at least 60 days before the end of each  
9 calendar year, three speech pathologists or audiologists for each  
10 vacancy occurring at the end of the calendar year. A vacancy shall be  
11 filled by appointment for the unexpired term.

12 Sec. 08.74.030. MEETINGS OF THE BOARD. (a) A majority of the  
13 board constitutes a quorum.

14 (b) The board shall meet during the first month of each calendar  
15 year. At least one additional meeting shall be held before the end of  
16 each calendar year. Further meetings may be convened at the written  
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18 the public.

19 (c) Members of the board are entitled to per diem and expenses  
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24 tive;

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26 qualifications of applicants, and investigate persons engaging in  
27 practices which violate the provisions of this chapter;

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29 testimony at hearings, and keep records and minutes necessary to an

1 orderly dispatch of business; and

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3 Sec. 08.74.060. ANNUAL REPORTS. The board shall make an annual  
4 report to the governor no later than November 15 of each year. The  
5 report shall contain an account of all money received, licenses issued,  
6 suspended or revoked, and all expenditures made by the board in the 12  
7 months before that date.

8 ARTICLE 2. LICENSING OF SPEECH

9 PATHOLOGISTS AND AUDIOLOGISTS.

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11 speech pathology or audiology or represent himself as a speech patholo-  
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13 accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

14 (b) Licenses shall be granted in either speech pathology or audi-  
15 ology independently. A person may be licensed in both areas if he meets  
16 the respective qualifications.

17 Sec. 08.74.110. ELIGIBILITY. To be eligible for a license as a  
18 speech pathologist or audiologist, the applicant shall

19 (1) possess at least a master's degree in the area of speech  
20 pathology or audiology;

21 (2) submit evidence to the board of meeting the requirements  
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23 clinical competence in speech pathology or audiology.

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7 tificate of Clinical Competence in speech pathology or audiology.

8 Sec. 08.74.130. SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION OF LICENSE. (a) The  
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12 of unprofessional conduct which has endangered or is likely to endanger  
13 the health, welfare, or safety of the public. Unprofessional conduct  
14 may result from

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16 tion, or concealment of material facts;

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18 established by the board;

19 (3) conviction of a felony involving moral turpitude; or

20 (4) violation of a provision of this chapter or a regulation  
21 issued under this chapter.

22 (b) The board may deny an application for, or suspend, revoke, or  
23 impose probationary conditions upon a license after a hearing has been  
24 conducted.

25 (c) One year from the date of revocation of a license under this  
26 section, application may be made to the board for reinstatement. The  
27 board may accept or reject an application for reinstatement and may  
28 require an examination for reinstatement.

29 Sec. 08.74.140. RENEWAL OF LICENSE. (a) A license issued under

1 this chapter shall be issued for a term of two years and may be renewed  
2 for a like period.

3 (b) A revoked license is subject to expiration, but it may not be  
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6 fee.

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11 Sec. 08.74.150. CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION. The board  
12 shall assure continuing professional education of persons licensed under  
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16 which leads to a degree in speech pathology or audiology and who has  
17 been designated as a speech pathology or audiology aide or intern or  
18 any other title appropriate to his level of training may provide speech  
19 pathology or audiology services.

20 (b) A speech pathology or audiology aide shall be supervised by  
21 a speech pathologist or audiologist who is licensed under this chapter.

22 (c) The board shall adopt minimum standards for speech pathology  
23 and audiology aides which shall be less than the standards applicable  
24 to speech pathologists and audiologists.

25 Sec. 08.74.170. EXEMPTIONS. This chapter does not apply to

26 (1) a physician or surgeon engaging in the practice of medi-  
27 cine;

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29 and selling hearing aids;

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2 which he is licensed by the state;

3 (4) a person who holds a valid and current credential as a  
4 speech or hearing specialist, issued by the Department of Education, or  
5 a person employed as a speech pathologist or audiologist by the govern-  
6 ment of the United States while engaging in the discharge of his offi-  
7 cial duties or offering lectures to the public for a fee;

8 (5) a person not a resident of this state and not licensed  
9 under this chapter who meets the qualifications and requirements  
10 described in sec. 110 of this chapter if he provides speech pathology  
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