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"An act regulating the  
profession of life insurance  
to the regulation of the practice  
of psychology and psychology"

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# REPEALERS - PSYCH BOARD

## Sec. 08.86.070. Duties of the board. (a) The board shall

- (1) pass on qualifications of applicants for licenses;
- (2) prepare, administer and grade written examinations;
- (3) after hearing, suspend or revoke the license of a licensed psychologist or psychological associate who violates a regulation of the board;

## Sec. 08.86.185. Practice of counseling and psychometrics. (a)

Unless he is licensed under this chapter, no person may practice counseling or psychometrics, offer to practice counseling or psychometry, or represent to the public that he is a counselor or psychometrist.

(b) This sections does not apply to:

- (1) a person employed by a governmental unit, educational institution or private agency who may be required to engage in some phase of work of a counseling nature in the course of his employment, if the employer maintains appropriate supervision of psychological activities and professional conduct;
  - (2) a student, intern or resident in psychology pursuing a course of study approved by the board as qualified training and experience for counseling, if his activities constitute a part of his supervised course of study;
  - (3) pastoral counselors.
- (c) Nothing in this chapter authorizes a person licensed as a psychological associate to engage in the practice of medicine, as defined by the laws of the state. (§ 8 ch 65 SLA 1973)

## Sec. 08.86.230. Definitions. In this chapter

- (1) "counselor" means a person who practices counseling;
- (2) "to practice counseling" means to apply established principles of learning, motivation, perception, thinking, and emotional relationships to problems of group relations, and behavior adjustment.
  - (A) counseling and guidance;
  - (B) using counseling techniques with persons or groups of persons who have adjustment problems in the family, school or at work;
  - (C) limited use of testing including tests of intelligence or tests of motor skills;
- (3) "psychometrist" means a person who practices psychometrics;
- (4) "to practice psychometrics" means to apply the recognized principles, methods and procedures of the science and profession of psychology, but limited to the administering, scoring, and interpreting of tests of mental abilities, aptitudes, interests, motor skills and objective tests of personality characteristics for purposes such as psychological evaluation or for educational or vocational selection, guidance or placement;

BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGISTS - SECTIONAL

- ✓ Sec. 1 -- Provides "exception" to current statute which renews licenses biennially and allows our "health boards" to renew licenses every four years.
- ✓ Sec. 2 -- Changes board's composition: increases number of psychologists from three to four and reduces number of public members from two to one.
- ✓ Sec. 3 -- Changes board members' terms from three to four years and limits board membership to two successive four-year terms.
- Sec. 4 -- Allows for "removal of board members".
- ✓ Sec. 5 -- Increases number of board meetings from one to three annually.
- Sec. 6 -- Under "duties section" this provision allows the board to adopt by regulation continued competency requirements. In addition, the board is to define areas requiring "specialty training" and adopt standards delineating criteria whereby a psychologist can be certified to practice as a specialist.
- Sec. 7 -- Allows board authority to order disciplinary sanctions.
- Sec. 8 -- This section stipulates that an individual qualifying to take the exam for licensure must hold a doctorate degree from an accredited school with "an approved program." The American Psychological Association has adopted standards designed to evaluate psychological programs and schools meeting these standards and are endorsed as having "an approved program". The board wants to use these standards in determining whether the applicant has received adequate training in attaining his degree.
- ✓ Sec. 9 -- FEES
- ✓ sec. 10 -- "Licensure by credentials" section.
- Sec. 11 -- This section modifies the qualifications for the "associate" exam. This provision requires that the applicant have a masters degree from a school with "an approved program" with primary emphasis on psychology and 24 credit semester hours of the applicant's course work relating to the "specialized area" in which licensure is requested.

Sec. 12 -- This section provides that the applicant for associate licensure be required to have three years "supervised" experience AFTER obtaining the masters degree.

Sec. 13 -- Adds a new section allowing the associate to be licensed to practice in the specific field in which he is trained.

Specifies that associate will function under the "supervision" of a psychologist.

Specifies that the supervising psychologist will consult with the associate and insure that work of the associate is consistent with accepted professional practices.

Specifies that the supervising psychologist and associate submit a statement to the board designating the "specialty area" in which the associate intends to work and the conditions governing supervision.

Sec. 14 -- Adds new language to the definition of "practice of psychology" delineating when a person is "representing himself to be a psychologist".

Sec. 15 -- Adds new language to the exemption provision. Exempts an individual from licensure if he is employed by a governmental unit, educational institution, or private agency, whose activities require some involvement of work of a psychological nature but is supervised and does not render psychological services for remuneration above his salary.

Adds language to the "exemption provision" allowing certain professions to be exempt from licensure (e.g. social worker, pastoral counselor) as long as they do not hold themselves out to be a psychologist.

Sec. 16 -- "Grounds for imposition of disciplinary sanctions" and "disciplinary sanction" section.

Sec. 17 -- Penalty provision

Sec. 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 -- DEFINITIONS

Sec. 23 -- Brings board under "Administrative Adjudication" section of the Administrative Procedures Act.

Sec. 24 -- Repealers

Sec. 25 -- Effective date

EXAMPLES OF "SPECIALTY AREAS" PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATES COULD  
BE LICENSED IN ---

- 1) Psychological Examiner (Psychometrist)
- B) Educational/Vocational Counselors
- C) Drug and Alcohol Abuse Counselors
- D) School Psychologist
- E) Mental Health Associate (Mental Health Clinicians)
- F) Industrial/Organizational consultant
- G) Personnel/Guidance Counselors