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97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## AN ACT

To repeal sections 345.015, 345.020, 345.022, 345.025, 345.040, 345.050, 345.051, 345.065, and 345.080, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof eight new sections relating to the licensing of speech-language pathologists and audiologists, with existing penalty provisions.

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

Section A. Sections 345.015, 345.020, 345.022, 345.025, 345.040, 345.050, 2 345.051, 345.065, and 345.080, RSMo, are repealed and eight new sections 3 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 345.015, 345.020, 345.025, 4 345.040, 345.050, 345.051, 345.065, 345.080, to read as follows:

345.015. As used in sections 345.010 to 345.080, the following terms 2 mean:

3 (1) "Audiologist", a person who is licensed as an audiologist pursuant to 4 sections 345.010 to 345.080 to practice audiology;

5 (2) "Audiology aide", a person who is registered as an audiology aide by 6 the board, who does not act independently but works under the direction and 7 supervision of a licensed audiologist. Such person assists the audiologist with 8 activities which require an understanding of audiology but do not require formal 9 training in the relevant academics. To be eligible for registration by the board, 10 each applicant shall submit a registration fee, be of good moral and ethical 11 character; and:

12 (a) Be at least eighteen years of age;

13 (b) Furnish evidence of the person's educational qualifications which shall 14 be at a minimum:

15 a. Certification of graduation from an accredited high school or its

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

16 equivalent; and

17           b. On-the-job training;

18           (c) Be employed in a setting in which direct and indirect supervision are  
19 provided on a regular and systematic basis by a licensed audiologist.

20 However, the aide shall not administer or interpret hearing screening or  
21 diagnostic tests, fit or dispense hearing instruments, make ear impressions, make  
22 diagnostic statements, determine case selection, present written reports to anyone  
23 other than the supervisor without the signature of the supervisor, make referrals  
24 to other professionals or agencies, use a title other than [speech-language  
25 pathology aide or clinical] audiology aide, develop or modify treatment plans,  
26 discharge clients from treatment or terminate treatment, disclose clinical  
27 information, either orally or in writing, to anyone other than the supervising  
28 [speech-language pathologist/audiologist] **audiologist**, or perform any procedure  
29 for which he or she is not qualified, has not been adequately trained or both;

30           (3) "Board", the state board of registration for the healing arts;

31           (4) ["Clinical fellowship", the supervised professional employment period  
32 following completion of the academic and practicum requirements of an accredited  
33 training program as defined in sections 345.010 to 345.080;

34           (5) "Commission", the advisory commission for speech-language  
35 pathologists and audiologists;

36           [(6)] **(5)** "Hearing instrument" or "hearing aid", any wearable device or  
37 instrument designed for or offered for the purpose of aiding or compensating for  
38 impaired human hearing and any parts, attachments or accessories, including ear  
39 molds, but excluding batteries, cords, receivers and repairs;

40           [(7)] **(6)** "Person", any individual, organization, or corporate body, except  
41 that only individuals may be licensed pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080;

42           [(8)] **(7)** "Practice of audiology":

43           (a) The application of accepted audiologic principles, methods and  
44 procedures for the measurement, testing, interpretation, appraisal and prediction  
45 related to disorders of the auditory system, balance system or related structures  
46 and systems;

47           (b) Provides consultation[, ] **or** counseling to the patient, client, student,  
48 their family or interested parties;

49           (c) Provides academic, social and medical referrals when appropriate;

50           (d) Provides for establishing goals, implementing strategies, methods and  
51 techniques, for habilitation, rehabilitation or aural rehabilitation, related to

52 disorders of the auditory system, balance system or related structures and  
53 systems;

54 (e) Provides for involvement in related research, teaching or public  
55 education;

56 (f) Provides for rendering of services or participates in the planning,  
57 directing or conducting of programs which are designed to modify audition,  
58 communicative, balance or cognitive disorder, which may involve speech and  
59 language or education issues;

60 (g) Provides and interprets behavioral and neurophysiologic  
61 measurements of auditory balance, cognitive processing and related functions,  
62 including intraoperative monitoring;

63 (h) Provides involvement in any tasks, procedures, acts or practices that  
64 are necessary for evaluation of audition, hearing, training in the use of  
65 amplification or assistive listening devices;

66 (i) Provides selection, assessment, fitting, programming, and dispensing  
67 of hearing instruments, assistive listening devices, and other amplification  
68 systems;

69 (j) Provides for taking impressions of the ear, making custom ear molds,  
70 ear plugs, swim molds and industrial noise protectors;

71 (k) Provides assessment of external ear and cerumen management;

72 (l) Provides advising, fitting, mapping assessment of implantable devices  
73 such as cochlear or auditory brain stem devices;

74 (m) Provides information in noise control and hearing conservation  
75 including education, equipment selection, equipment calibration, site evaluation  
76 and employee evaluation;

77 (n) Provides performing basic speech-language screening test;

78 (o) Provides involvement in social aspects of communication, including  
79 challenging behavior and ineffective social skills, lack of communication  
80 opportunities;

81 (p) Provides support and training of family members and other  
82 communication partners for the individual with auditory balance, cognitive and  
83 communication disorders;

84 (q) Provides aural rehabilitation and related services to individuals with  
85 hearing loss and their families;

86 (r) Evaluates, collaborates and manages audition problems in the  
87 assessment of the central auditory processing disorders and providing

88 intervention for individuals with central auditory processing disorders;

89 (s) Develops and manages academic and clinical problems in  
90 communication sciences and disorders;

91 (t) Conducts, disseminates and applies research in communication  
92 sciences and disorders;

93 [(9)] (8) "Practice of speech-language pathology":

94 (a) Provides screening, identification, assessment, diagnosis, treatment,  
95 intervention, including but not limited to prevention, restoration, amelioration  
96 and compensation, and follow-up services for disorders of:

97 a. Speech: articulation, fluency, voice, including respiration, phonation  
98 and resonance;

99 b. Language, involving the parameters of phonology, morphology, syntax,  
100 semantics and pragmatic; and including disorders of receptive and expressive  
101 communication in oral, written, graphic and manual modalities;

102 c. Oral, pharyngeal, cervical esophageal and related functions, such as  
103 dysphagia, including disorders of swallowing and oral functions for feeding;  
104 orofacial myofunctional disorders;

105 d. Cognitive aspects of communication, including communication disability  
106 and other functional disabilities associated with cognitive impairment;

107 e. Social aspects of communication, including challenging behavior,  
108 ineffective social skills, lack of communication opportunities;

109 (b) Provides consultation and counseling and makes referrals when  
110 appropriate;

111 (c) Trains and supports family members and other communication  
112 partners of individuals with speech, voice, language, communication and  
113 swallowing disabilities;

114 (d) Develops and establishes effective augmentative and alternative  
115 communication techniques and strategies, including selecting, prescribing and  
116 dispensing of augmentative aids and devices; and the training of individuals,  
117 their families and other communication partners in their use;

118 (e) Selects, fits and establishes effective use of appropriate  
119 prosthetic/adaptive devices for speaking and swallowing, such as  
120 tracheoesophageal valves, electrolarynges, or speaking valves;

121 (f) Uses instrumental technology to diagnose and treat disorders of  
122 communication and swallowing, such as videofluoroscopy, nasendoscopy,  
123 ultrasonography and stroboscopy;

124 (g) Provides aural rehabilitative and related counseling services to  
125 individuals with hearing loss and to their families;

126 (h) Collaborates in the assessment of central auditory processing disorders  
127 in cases in which there is evidence of speech, language or other cognitive  
128 communication disorders; provides intervention for individuals with central  
129 auditory processing disorders;

130 (i) Conducts pure-tone air conduction hearing screening and screening  
131 tympanometry for the purpose of the initial identification or referral;

132 (j) Enhances speech and language proficiency and communication  
133 effectiveness, including but not limited to accent reduction, collaboration with  
134 teachers of English as a second language and improvement of voice, performance  
135 and singing;

136 (k) Trains and supervises support personnel;

137 (l) Develops and manages academic and clinical programs in  
138 communication sciences and disorders;

139 (m) Conducts, disseminates and applies research in communication  
140 sciences and disorders;

141 (n) Measures outcomes of treatment and conducts continuous evaluation  
142 of the effectiveness of practices and programs to improve and maintain quality  
143 of services;

144 [(10)] **(9)** "Speech-language pathologist", a person who is licensed as a  
145 speech-language pathologist pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080; who engages  
146 in the practice of speech-language pathology as defined in sections 345.010 to  
147 345.080;

148 [(11)] **(10)** "Speech-language pathology aide", a person who is registered  
149 as a speech-language aide by the board, who does not act independently but  
150 works under the direction and supervision of a licensed speech-language  
151 pathologist. Such person assists the speech-language pathologist with activities  
152 which require an understanding of speech-language pathology but do not require  
153 formal training in the relevant academics. To be eligible for registration by the  
154 board, each applicant shall submit a registration fee, be of good moral and ethical  
155 character; and:

156 (a) Be at least eighteen years of age;

157 (b) Furnish evidence of the person's educational qualifications which shall  
158 be at a minimum:

159 a. Certification of graduation from an accredited high school or its

160 equivalent; and

161           b. On-the-job training;

162           (c) Be employed in a setting in which direct and indirect supervision is  
163 provided on a regular and systematic basis by a licensed speech-language  
164 pathologist. However, the aide shall not administer or interpret hearing  
165 screening or diagnostic tests, fit or dispense hearing instruments, make ear  
166 impressions, make diagnostic statements, determine case selection, present  
167 written reports to anyone other than the supervisor without the signature of the  
168 supervisor, make referrals to other professionals or agencies, use a title other  
169 than speech-language pathology aide [or clinical audiology aide], develop or  
170 modify treatment plans, discharge clients from treatment or terminate treatment,  
171 disclose clinical information, either orally or in writing, to anyone other than the  
172 supervising speech-language [pathologist/audiologist] **pathologist**, or perform  
173 any procedure for which he or she is not qualified, has not been adequately  
174 trained or both;

175           [(12)] **(11)** "Speech-language pathology assistant", a person who is  
176 registered as a speech-language pathology assistant by the board, who does not  
177 act independently but works under the direction and supervision of a licensed  
178 speech-language pathologist **or speech-language pathologist practicing**  
179 **under subdivisions (1) or (6) of subsection 1 of section 345.025 for at**  
180 **least one year** and whose activities require both academic and practical training  
181 in the field of speech-language pathology although less training than those  
182 established by sections 345.010 to 345.080 as necessary for licensing as a  
183 speech-language pathologist. To be eligible for registration by the board, each  
184 applicant shall submit the registration fee, be of good moral character and furnish  
185 evidence of the person's educational qualifications which meet the following:

186           (a) Hold a bachelor's level degree [in the field of speech-language  
187 pathology] from an institution accredited or approved by a regional accrediting  
188 body recognized by the United States Department of Education or its equivalent;  
189 and

190           (b) Submit official transcripts from one or more accredited colleges or  
191 universities presenting evidence of the completion of bachelor's level course work  
192 and clinical [practicum] requirements [equivalent to that required or approved  
193 by a regional accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of  
194 Education or its equivalent] **in the field of speech-language pathology as**  
195 **established by the board through rules and regulations.**

345.020. 1. Licensure or registration shall be granted in either  
2 speech-language pathology or audiology independently. A person may be licensed  
3 or registered in both areas if the person is qualified. Each licensed or registered  
4 person shall display the license or certificate prominently in the person's place  
5 of practice.

6 2. No person shall practice or hold himself or herself out as being able to  
7 practice speech-language pathology or audiology in this state unless the person  
8 is licensed in accordance with the provisions of sections 345.010 to  
9 345.080. Nothing in sections 345.010 to 345.080, however, shall be construed to  
10 prevent a qualified person licensed in this state under any other law from  
11 engaging in the profession for which the person is licensed, and a licensed  
12 physician or surgeon may practice speech-language pathology or audiology  
13 without being licensed in accordance with the provisions of sections 345.010 to  
14 345.080.

15 3. No person shall hold himself or herself out as being a speech-language  
16 pathologist in this state unless the person is licensed as provided in sections  
17 345.010 to 345.080. Any person who, in any manner, represents himself or  
18 herself as a speech-language pathologist or who uses in connection with such  
19 person's name the words or letters: "speech-language pathologist", "speech  
20 pathologist", "speech therapy", "speech therapist", "speech clinic", "speech  
21 clinician", "S.L.P.", "language specialist", "logopedist" or any other letters, words,  
22 abbreviations or insignia, indicating or implying that the person is a  
23 speech-language pathologist without a valid existing license is guilty of a class  
24 B misdemeanor.

25 4. No person shall hold himself or herself out as being an audiologist in  
26 this state unless the person is licensed as provided in sections 345.010 to  
27 345.080. Any person who, in any manner, represents himself or herself as an  
28 audiologist or who uses in connection with such person's name the words:  
29 "audiology", "audiologist", "audiological", "hearing clinic", "hearing clinician",  
30 "hearing therapist" or any other letters, words, abbreviations or insignia,  
31 indicating or implying that the person is an audiologist without a valid existing  
32 license is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

33 5. No person shall hold himself or herself out as being a speech-language  
34 pathology assistant or aide or audiology aide in this state unless the person is  
35 registered as provided in sections 345.010 to 345.080.

36 6. Nothing in sections 345.010 to 345.080 shall prohibit a corporation,

37 partnership, trust, association, or other like organization from engaging in the  
38 business of speech-language pathology or audiology without licensure if it  
39 employs licensed natural persons in the direct practice of speech-language  
40 pathology or audiology. [Any such corporation, partnership, trust, association, or  
41 other like organization shall also file with the board a statement, on a form  
42 approved by the board, that it submits itself to the rules and regulations of the  
43 board and the provisions of sections 345.010 to 345.080 which the board shall  
44 deem applicable to it.]

345.025. 1. The provisions of sections 345.010 to 345.080 do not apply to:

2 (1) The activities, services, and the use of an official title on the part of  
3 a person in the employ of a federal agency insofar as such services are part of the  
4 duties of the person's office or position with such agency;

5 (2) The activities and services of certified teachers of the deaf;

6 (3) The activities and services of a student in speech-language pathology  
7 or audiology pursuing a course of study at a university or college that has been  
8 approved by its regional accrediting association, or working in a recognized  
9 training center, if these activities and services constitute a part of the person's  
10 course of study supervised by a licensed speech-language pathologist or  
11 audiologist as provided in section 345.050;

12 (4) The activities and services of physicians and surgeons licensed  
13 pursuant to chapter 334;

14 (5) Audiometric technicians who are certified by the council for  
15 accreditation of occupational hearing conservationists when conducting pure tone  
16 air conduction audiometric tests for purposes of industrial hearing conservation  
17 and comply with requirements of the federal Occupational Safety and Health  
18 Administration;

19 (6) A person who holds a current valid certificate as a speech-language  
20 pathologist issued **before January 1, 2014** by the Missouri department of  
21 elementary and secondary education and who is an employee of a public school  
22 while providing speech-language pathology services in such school system.

23 2. No one shall be exempt pursuant to subdivision (1) or (6) of subsection  
24 1 of this section if the person does any work as a speech-language pathologist or  
25 audiologist outside of the exempted areas outlined in this section for which a fee  
26 or compensation may be paid by the recipient of the service. When college or  
27 university clinics charge a fee, supervisors of student clinicians shall be licensed.

345.040. The board shall adopt a seal by which it shall authenticate its



2 proceedings. Copies of its proceedings, records, and acts, when signed by the  
3 [secretary] **executive director** and authenticated by the seal, shall be prima  
4 facie evidence in all courts of this state.

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

4 (1) Hold a master's or a doctoral degree from a program accredited by the  
5 Council on Academic Accreditation of the American Speech-Language-Hearing  
6 Association or other accrediting agency approved by the board in the area in  
7 which licensure is sought;

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

13 (3) [Present written evidence of completion of clinical fellowship as  
14 defined in subdivision (4) of section 345.015 from supervisors. The experience  
15 required by this subdivision shall follow the completion of the requirements of  
16 subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection. This period of employment shall be  
17 under the direct supervision of a person who is licensed by the state of Missouri  
18 in the profession in which the applicant seeks to be licensed. Persons applying  
19 with an audiology clinical doctoral degree are exempt from this provision;

20 (4)] Pass an examination promulgated or approved by the board. The  
21 board shall determine the subject and scope of the examinations.

22 2. To be eligible for licensure by the board without examination, each  
23 applicant shall make application on forms prescribed by the board, submit the  
24 application fee and shall be of good moral and ethical character, submit an  
25 activity statement and meet one of the following requirements:

26 (1) The board shall issue a license to any speech-language pathologist or  
27 audiologist who is licensed in another jurisdiction and who has had no violations,  
28 suspension or revocations of a license to practice speech-language pathology or  
29 audiology in any jurisdiction; provided that, such person is licensed in a  
30 jurisdiction whose requirements are substantially equal to, or greater than,  
31 Missouri at the time the applicant applies for licensure; or

32 (2) Hold the certificate of clinical competence issued by the American  
33 Speech-Language-Hearing Association in the area in which licensure is sought.

345.051. 1. Every person licensed or registered pursuant to the provisions  
2 of sections 345.010 to 345.080 shall renew the license **or registration** on or  
3 before the renewal date. Such renewal date shall be determined by the board.  
4 The application shall be made on a form furnished by the board. The application  
5 shall include, but not be limited to, disclosure of the applicant's full name and the  
6 applicant's office and residence addresses and the date and number of the  
7 applicant's license **or registration**, all final disciplinary actions taken against  
8 the applicant by any speech-language-hearing association or society, state,  
9 territory[,] **or** federal agency or country and information concerning the  
10 applicant's current physical and mental fitness to practice [as a speech-language  
11 pathologist or audiologist].

12 2. A blank form for application for license **or registration** renewal shall  
13 be mailed to each person licensed **or registered** in this state at the person's last  
14 known office or residence address. The failure to mail the form of application or  
15 the failure to receive it does not, however, relieve any person of the duty to renew  
16 the license **or registration** and pay the fee required by sections 345.010 to  
17 345.080 for failure to renew the license **or registration**.

18 3. An applicant for renewal of a license [pursuant to] **or registration**  
19 **under** this section shall:

20 (1) Submit an amount established by the board; and

21 (2) Meet any other requirements the board establishes as conditions for  
22 license **or registration** renewal, including the demonstration of continued  
23 competence to practice the profession for which the license **or registration** is  
24 issued. A requirement of continued competence may include, but is not limited  
25 to, continuing education, examination, self-evaluation, peer review, performance  
26 appraisal or practical simulation.

27 4. If a license **or registration** is suspended pursuant to section 345.065,  
28 the license **or registration** expires on the expiration date as established by the  
29 board for all licenses **and registrations** issued pursuant to sections 345.010 to  
30 345.080. Such license **or registration** may be renewed but does not entitle the  
31 licensee to engage in the licensed **or registered** activity or in any other conduct  
32 or activity which violates the order of judgment by which the license **or**  
33 **registration** was suspended until such license **or registration** has been  
34 reinstated.

35 5. If a license **or registration** is revoked on disciplinary grounds  
36 pursuant to section 345.065, the license **or registration** expires on the

37 expiration date as established by the board for all licenses **and registrations**  
38 issued pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080. Such license **or registration**  
39 may not be renewed. If a license **or registration** is reinstated after its  
40 expiration, the licensee, as a condition of reinstatement, shall pay a  
41 reinstatement fee that is equal to the renewal fee in effect on the last regular  
42 renewal date immediately preceding the date of reinstatement plus any late fee  
43 established by the board.

345.065. 1. The board may refuse to issue any certificate of registration  
2 or authority, permit or license required pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080  
3 for one or any combination of causes stated in subsection 2 of this section. The  
4 board shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the refusal and shall  
5 advise the applicant of the applicant's right to file a complaint with the  
6 administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621. As an alternative  
7 to a refusal to issue or renew any certificate, registration or authority, the board  
8 may, at its discretion, issue a license **or registration** which is subject to  
9 probation, restriction or limitation to an applicant for licensure **or registration**  
10 for any one or any combination of causes stated in subsection 2 of this  
11 section. The board's order of probation, limitation or restriction shall contain a  
12 statement of the discipline imposed, the basis therefor, the date such action shall  
13 become effective and a statement that the applicant has thirty days to request in  
14 writing a hearing before the administrative hearing commission. If the board  
15 issues a probationary, limited or restricted license **or registration** to an  
16 applicant for licensure **or registration**, either party may file a written petition  
17 with the administrative hearing commission within thirty days of the effective  
18 date of the probationary, limited or restricted license **or registration** seeking  
19 review of the board's determination. If no written request for a hearing is  
20 received by the administrative hearing commission within the thirty-day period,  
21 the right to seek review of the board's decision shall be considered as waived.

22 2. The board may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative  
23 hearing commission as provided by chapter 621 against any holder of any  
24 certificate of registration or authority, permit or license required by sections  
25 345.010 to 345.080 or any person who has failed to renew or has surrendered the  
26 person's certificate of registration or authority, permit or license for any one or  
27 any combination of the following causes:

28 (1) Use of any controlled substance, as defined in chapter 195, or alcoholic  
29 beverage to an extent that such use impairs a person's ability to perform the work

30 of any profession licensed or regulated by sections 345.010 to 345.080;

31 (2) The person has been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered  
32 a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of  
33 any state or of the United States, for any offense reasonably related to the  
34 qualifications, functions or duties of any profession licensed or regulated  
35 pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080, for any offense an essential element of  
36 which is fraud, dishonesty or an act of violence, or for any offense involving moral  
37 turpitude, whether or not sentence is imposed;

38 (3) Use of fraud, deception, misrepresentation or bribery in securing any  
39 certificate of registration or authority, permit or license issued pursuant to  
40 sections 345.010 to 345.080 or in obtaining permission to take any examination  
41 given or required pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080;

42 (4) Obtaining or attempting to obtain any fee, charge, tuition or other  
43 compensation by fraud, deception or misrepresentation;

44 (5) Incompetency, misconduct, gross negligence, fraud, misrepresentation  
45 or dishonesty in the performance of the functions or duties of any profession  
46 licensed or regulated by sections 345.010 to 345.080;

47 (6) Violation of, or assisting or enabling any person to violate, any  
48 provision of sections 345.010 to 345.080, or of any lawful rule or regulation  
49 adopted pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080;

50 (7) Impersonation of any person holding a certificate of registration or  
51 authority, permit or license or allowing any person to use his or her certificate of  
52 registration or authority, permit, license or diploma from any school;

53 (8) Disciplinary action against the holder of a license or other right to  
54 practice any profession regulated by sections 345.010 to 345.080 granted by  
55 another state, territory, federal agency or country upon grounds for which  
56 revocation or suspension is authorized in this state;

57 (9) A person is finally adjudged insane or incompetent by a court of  
58 competent jurisdiction;

59 (10) Assisting or enabling any person to practice or offer to practice any  
60 profession licensed or regulated by sections 345.010 to 345.080 who is not  
61 registered and currently eligible to practice pursuant to sections 345.010 to  
62 345.080;

63 (11) Issuance of a certificate of registration or authority, permit or license  
64 based upon a material mistake of fact;

65 (12) Failure to display a valid certificate or license if so required by

66 sections 345.010 to 345.080 or any rule promulgated pursuant to sections 345.010  
67 to 345.080;

68 (13) Violation of any professional trust or confidence;

69 (14) Fraudulently or deceptively using a license, provisional license or  
70 registration;

71 (15) Altering a license, provisional license or registration;

72 (16) Willfully making or filing a false report or record in the practice of  
73 speech-language pathology or audiology;

74 (17) Using or promoting or causing the use of any misleading, deceiving,  
75 improbable or untruthful advertising matter, promotional literature, testimonial,  
76 guarantee, warranty, label, brand, insignia or any other representation;

77 (18) Falsely representing the use or availability of services or advice of a  
78 physician;

79 (19) Misrepresenting the applicant, licensee or holder by using the word  
80 doctor or any similar word, abbreviation or symbol if the use is not accurate or  
81 if the degree was not obtained from a regionally accredited institution;

82 (20) Committing any act of dishonorable, immoral or unprofessional  
83 conduct while engaging in the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology;

84 (21) Providing services or promoting the sale of devices, appliances or  
85 products to a person who cannot reasonably be expected to benefit from such  
86 services, devices, appliances or products.

87 3. After the filing of such complaint, the proceedings shall be conducted  
88 in accordance with the provisions of chapter 621. Upon a finding by the  
89 administrative hearing commission that the grounds, provided in subsection 2 of  
90 this section, for disciplinary action are met, the board may, singly or in  
91 combination, censure or place the person named in the complaint on probation on  
92 such terms and conditions as the board deems appropriate for a period not to  
93 exceed ten years, or may suspend, for a period not to exceed three years, **or**  
94 **restrict or limit the person's ability to practice for an indefinite period**  
95 **of time**, or revoke the license or registration.

96 4. The board may apply for relief by injunction, without bond, to restrain  
97 any person, partnership or corporation from engaging in any act or practice which  
98 constitutes an offense pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080. The board does  
99 not need to allege and prove that there is no adequate remedy at law to obtain  
100 an injunction. The members of the board and the advisory commission shall not  
101 be individually liable for applying for such relief.

345.080. 1. There is hereby established an "Advisory Commission for  
2 Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists" which shall guide, advise and  
3 make recommendations to the board. The commission shall approve the  
4 examination required by section 345.050, and shall assist the board in carrying  
5 out the provisions of sections 345.010 to 345.075.

6 2. After August 28, 1997, the commission shall consist of seven members,  
7 one of whom shall be a voting public member, appointed by the board of  
8 registration for the healing arts. Each member shall be a citizen of the United  
9 States and a resident of this state. Three members of the commission shall be  
10 licensed speech-language pathologists and three members of the commission shall  
11 be licensed audiologists. The public member shall be at the time of appointment  
12 a citizen of the United States; a resident of this state for a period of one year and  
13 a registered voter; a person who is not and never was a member of any profession  
14 licensed or regulated pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080 or the spouse of  
15 such person; and a person who does not have and never has had a material,  
16 financial interest in either the providing of the professional services regulated by  
17 sections 345.010 to 345.080, or an activity or organization directly related to any  
18 profession licensed or regulated pursuant to sections 345.010 to  
19 345.080. Members shall be appointed to serve three-year terms, except as  
20 provided in this subsection. Each member of the advisory commission for  
21 **[speech] speech-language** pathologists and **[clinical]** audiologists on August 28,  
22 1995, shall become a member of the advisory commission for speech-language  
23 pathologists and **[clinical]** audiologists and shall continue to serve until the term  
24 for which the member was appointed expires. Each member of the advisory  
25 commission for speech-language pathologists and **[clinical]** audiologists on August  
26 28, 1997, shall become a member of the advisory commission for speech-language  
27 pathologists and audiologists and shall continue to serve until the term for which  
28 the member was appointed expires. The first public member appointed pursuant  
29 to this subsection shall be appointed for a two-year term and the one additional  
30 member appointed pursuant to this subsection shall be appointed for a full  
31 three-year term. No person **[shall be eligible for reappointment]** who has served  
32 as a member of the advisory commission for **[speech] speech-language**  
33 pathologists and audiologists **[or as a member of the commission as established**  
34 **on August 28, 1995, for a total of six years]** **for two consecutive terms may**  
35 **be reappointed to the advisory commission until a lapse of at least two**  
36 **years has occurred following the completion of his or her two**

37 **consecutive terms.** The membership of the commission shall reflect the  
38 differences in levels of education, work experience and geographic residence. For  
39 a licensed speech-language pathologist member, the president of the Missouri  
40 Speech-Language-Hearing Association in office at the time, and for a licensed  
41 audiologist member, the president of the Missouri Academy of Audiologists in  
42 office at the time, in consultation with the president of the Missouri  
43 Speech-Language-Hearing Association, shall, at least ninety days prior to the  
44 expiration of a term of a commission member, other than the public member, or  
45 as soon as feasible after a vacancy on the commission otherwise occurs, submit  
46 to the **executive** director of the [division of professional registration] **board** a  
47 list of five persons qualified and willing to fill the vacancy in question, with the  
48 request and recommendation that the board of registration for the healing arts  
49 appoint one of the five persons so listed, and with the list so submitted, the  
50 president of the Missouri Speech-Language-Hearing Association or the president  
51 of the Missouri Academy of Audiologists in office at the time shall include in his  
52 or her letter of transmittal a description of the method by which the names were  
53 chosen by that association.

54 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any  
55 appointed member of the commission shall receive as compensation an amount  
56 established by the director of the division of professional registration not to  
57 exceed seventy dollars per day for commission business plus actual and necessary  
58 expenses. The director of the division of professional registration shall establish  
59 by rule guidelines for payment. All staff for the commission shall be provided by  
60 the board of registration for the healing arts.

61 4. The commission shall hold an annual meeting at which it shall elect  
62 from its membership a chairman and secretary. The commission may hold such  
63 additional meetings as may be required in the performance of its duties, provided  
64 that notice of every meeting shall be given to each member at least ten days prior  
65 to the date of the meeting. A quorum of the commission shall consist of a  
66 majority of its members.

67 5. The board of registration for the healing arts may remove a commission  
68 member for misconduct, incompetency or neglect of the member's official duties  
69 after giving the member written notice of the charges against such member and  
70 an opportunity to be heard thereon.

[345.022. 1. Any person in the person's clinical fellowship  
2 as defined in sections 345.010 to 345.080 shall hold a provisional

3 license to practice speech-language pathology or audiology. The  
4 board may issue a provisional license to an applicant who:

5 (1) Has met the requirements for practicum and academic  
6 requirements from an accredited training program as defined in  
7 sections 345.010 to 345.080;

8 (2) Submits an application to the board on a form  
9 prescribed by the board. Such form shall include a plan for the  
10 content and supervision of the clinical fellowship, as well as  
11 evidence of good moral and ethical character; and

12 (3) Submits to the board an application fee, as set by the  
13 board, for the provisional license.

14 2. A provisional license is effective for one year and may be  
15 extended for an additional twelve months only for purposes of  
16 completing the postgraduate clinical experience portion of the  
17 clinical fellowship; provided that, the applicant has passed the  
18 national examination and shall hold a master's degree from an  
19 approved training program in his or her area of application.

20 3. Within twelve months of issuance of the provisional  
21 license, the applicant shall pass an examination promulgated or  
22 approved by the board.

23 4. Within twelve months of issuance of a provisional  
24 license, the applicant shall complete the master's or doctoral degree  
25 from a program accredited by the Council on Academic  
26 Accreditation of the American Speech-Language-Hearing  
27 Association or other accrediting agency approved by the board in  
28 the area in which licensure is sought.]

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