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SENATE BILL 804

Short Title: Psychologist Licensing Change.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Ezzell.

Referred to: Human Resources.

April 5, 1989

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRACTICING PSYCHOLOGISTS LICENSURE ACT
3 TO PERMIT LICENSURE AS A PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATE.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. G.S. 90-270.11(a) reads as rewritten:

6 "(b) Psychological Associate.

7 (1) The Board shall issue a license to practice psychology to any applicant
8 who pays an application fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) and an additional
9 examination fee of not more than two hundred dollars (\$200.00), who
10 passes a satisfactory examination in psychology, and who submits
11 evidence verified by oath and satisfactory to the Board that he:

- 12 a. Is at least 18 years of age;
13 b. Is of good moral character;
14 c. Has received a master's degree in psychology from an
15 accredited educational institution;
16 d. Has not within the preceding six months failed an examination
17 given by the Board.

18 (2) The Board shall not prescribe any educational requirements other than
19 a master's degree in psychology for the initial license issued under this
20 section, but may impose continuing education requirements for
21 renewals of the license.

22 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, an applicant for
23 licensure as a practicing psychologist, who has met all requirements
24 for licensure as a practicing psychologist except passing the

1 examination at the practicing psychologist level, may be issued a
2 license as a psychological associate without having a master's degree
3 in psychology if the applicant passes the examination at the
4 psychological associate level."

5 ♦ Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.