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HOUSE BILL NO. 1900

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES DOHRMAN (Sponsor), HOSKINS, COX AND KOLKMEYER (Co-sponsors).

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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 speech-language pathologists, with 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Section A. Sections 345.015, 345.020, 345.022, 345.025, 345.040, 345.050, 345.051, 345.065, and 345.080, RSMo, are repealed and eight new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 345.015, 345.020, 345.025, 345.040, 345.050, 345.051, 345.065, 345.080, to read as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 mean:

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

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

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

- 11 (b) Furnish evidence of the person's educational qualifications which shall be at a 12 minimum:
 - a. Certification of graduation from an accredited high school or its equivalent; and
 - EXPLANATION Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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b. On-the-job training;

15 (c) Be employed in a setting in which direct and indirect supervision are provided on a 16 regular and systematic basis by a licensed audiologist.

17 However, the aide shall not administer or interpret hearing screening or diagnostic tests, fit or 18 dispense hearing instruments, make ear impressions, make diagnostic statements, determine case 19 selection, present written reports to anyone other than the supervisor without the signature of the 20 supervisor, make referrals to other professionals or agencies, use a title other than 21 [speech-language pathology aide or clinical] audiology aide, develop or modify treatment plans, 22 discharge clients from treatment or terminate treatment, disclose clinical information, either 23 orally or in writing, to anyone other than the supervising [speech-language 24 pathologist/audiologist] audiologist, or perform any procedure for which he or she is not 25 qualified, has not been adequately trained or both;

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

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

30 (5) "Commission", the advisory commission for speech-language pathologists and 31 audiologists;

32 (6) "Hearing instrument" or "hearing aid", any wearable device or instrument designed 33 for or offered for the purpose of aiding or compensating for impaired human hearing and any 34 parts, attachments or accessories, including ear molds, but excluding batteries, cords, receivers 35 and repairs;

36 (7) "Person", any individual, organization, or corporate body, except that only 37 individuals may be licensed pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080;

38 (8) "Practice of audiology":

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

42 (b) Provides consultation[,] **or** counseling to the patient, client, student, their family or 43 interested parties;

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

45 (d) Provides for establishing goals, implementing strategies, methods and techniques,
46 for habilitation, rehabilitation or aural rehabilitation, related to disorders of the auditory system,
47 balance system or related structures and systems;

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

49 (f) Provides for rendering of services or participates in the planning, directing or 50 conducting of programs which are designed to modify audition, communicative, balance or 51 cognitive disorder, which may involve speech and language or education issues;

52 (g) Provides and interprets behavioral and neurophysiologic measurements of auditory 53 balance, cognitive processing and related functions, including intraoperative monitoring;

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

57 (i) Provides selection, assessment, fitting, programming, and dispensing of hearing 58 instruments, assistive listening devices, and other amplification systems;

59 (j) Provides for taking impressions of the ear, making custom ear molds, ear plugs, swim 60 molds and industrial noise protectors;

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

62 (l) Provides advising, fitting, mapping assessment of implantable devices such as 63 cochlear or auditory brain stem devices;

64 (m) Provides information in noise control and hearing conservation including education, 65 equipment selection, equipment calibration, site evaluation and employee evaluation;

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

67 (o) Provides involvement in social aspects of communication, including challenging 68 behavior and ineffective social skills, lack of communication opportunities;

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

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

(r) Evaluates, collaborates and manages audition problems in the assessment of the
 central auditory processing disorders and providing intervention for individuals with central
 auditory processing disorders;

(s) Develops and manages academic and clinical problems in communication sciencesand disorders;

(t) Conducts, disseminates and applies research in communication sciences anddisorders;

80 (9) "Practice of speech-language pathology":

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

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

85 b. Language, involving the parameters of phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics and 86 pragmatic; and including disorders of receptive and expressive communication in oral, written, 87 graphic and manual modalities:

88 Oral, pharyngeal, cervical esophageal and related functions, such as dysphagia, c. 89 including disorders of swallowing and oral functions for feeding; orofacial myofunctional 90 disorders;

91 d. Cognitive aspects of communication, including communication disability and other 92 functional disabilities associated with cognitive impairment;

Social aspects of communication, including challenging behavior, ineffective social 93 e. 94 skills, lack of communication opportunities;

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

96 (c) Trains and supports family members and other communication partners of individuals 97 with speech, voice, language, communication and swallowing disabilities;

98 (d) Develops and establishes effective augmentative and alternative communication techniques and strategies, including selecting, prescribing and dispensing of augmentative aids 99 100 and devices; and the training of individuals, their families and other communication partners in 101 their use:

102 (e) Selects, fits and establishes effective use of appropriate prosthetic/adaptive devices 103 for speaking and swallowing, such as tracheoesophageal valves, electrolarynges, or speaking 104 valves:

105 (f) Uses instrumental technology to diagnose and treat disorders of communication and 106 swallowing, such as videofluoroscopy, nasendoscopy, ultrasonography and stroboscopy;

107 (g) Provides aural rehabilitative and related counseling services to individuals with 108 hearing loss and to their families;

109 (h) Collaborates in the assessment of central auditory processing disorders in cases in 110 which there is evidence of speech, language or other cognitive communication disorders; 111 provides intervention for individuals with central auditory processing disorders;

112 (i) Conducts pure-tone air conduction hearing screening and screening tympanometry 113 for the purpose of the initial identification or referral;

114 Enhances speech and language proficiency and communication effectiveness, (i) 115 including but not limited to accent reduction, collaboration with teachers of English as a second 116 language and improvement of voice, performance and singing;

117 (k) Trains and supervises support personnel;

118 (I) Develops and manages academic and clinical programs in communication sciences 119 and disorders;

120 (m) Conducts, disseminates and applies research in communication sciences and 121 disorders;

(n) Measures outcomes of treatment and conducts continuous evaluation of theeffectiveness of practices and programs to improve and maintain quality of services;

124 (10) "Speech-language pathologist", a person who is licensed as a speech-language 125 pathologist pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080; who engages in the practice of 126 speech-language pathology as defined in sections 345.010 to 345.080;

127 (11) "Speech-language pathology aide", a person who is registered as a speech-language 128 aide by the board, who does not act independently but works under the direction and supervision 129 of a licensed speech-language pathologist. Such person assists the speech-language pathologist 130 with activities which require an understanding of speech-language pathology but do not require 131 formal training in the relevant academics. To be eligible for registration by the board, each 132 applicant shall submit a registration fee, be of good moral and ethical character; and:

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(a) Be at least eighteen years of age;

134 (b) Furnish evidence of the person's educational qualifications which shall be at a 135 minimum:

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a. Certification of graduation from an accredited high school or its equivalent; and

b. On-the-job training;

138 (c) Be employed in a setting in which direct and indirect supervision is provided on a 139 regular and systematic basis by a licensed speech-language pathologist. However, the aide shall 140 not administer or interpret hearing screening or diagnostic tests, fit or dispense hearing 141 instruments, make ear impressions, make diagnostic statements, determine case selection, present 142 written reports to anyone other than the supervisor without the signature of the supervisor, make 143 referrals to other professionals or agencies, use a title other than speech-language pathology aide 144 [or clinical audiology aide], develop or modify treatment plans, discharge clients from treatment 145 or terminate treatment, disclose clinical information, either orally or in writing, to anyone other 146 than the supervising speech-language [pathologist/audiologist] **pathologist**, or perform any 147 procedure for which he or she is not qualified, has not been adequately trained or both;

148 "Speech-language pathology assistant", a person who is registered as a (12)149 speech-language pathology assistant by the board, who does not act independently but works 150 under the direction and supervision of a licensed speech-language pathologist or speech-151 language pathologist practicing under subdivisions (1) or (6) of subsection 1 of section 152 345.025 for at least one year and whose activities require both academic and practical training 153 in the field of speech-language pathology although less training than those established by 154 sections 345.010 to 345.080 as necessary for licensing as a speech-language pathologist. To be 155 eligible for registration by the board, each applicant shall submit the registration fee, be of good

156 moral character and furnish evidence of the person's educational qualifications which meet the 157 following:

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

161 (b) Submit official transcripts from one or more accredited colleges or universities 162 presenting evidence of the completion of bachelor's level course work and clinical [practicum] 163 requirements [equivalent to that required or approved by a regional accrediting body recognized 164 by the United States Department of Education or its equivalent] in the field of speech-language 165 pathology as established by the board through rules and regulations.

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

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

12 3. No person shall hold himself or herself out as being a speech-language pathologist in 13 this state unless the person is licensed as provided in sections 345.010 to 345.080. Any person 14 who, in any manner, represents himself or herself as a speech-language pathologist or who uses 15 in connection with such person's name the words or letters: "speech-language pathologist", "speech pathologist", "speech therapy", "speech therapist", "speech clinic", "speech clinician", 16 17 "S.L.P.", "language specialist", "logopedist" or any other letters, words, abbreviations or insignia, indicating or implying that the person is a speech-language pathologist without a valid existing 18 19 license is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

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

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

6. Nothing in sections 345.010 to 345.080 shall prohibit a corporation, partnership, trust, association, or other like organization from engaging in the business of speech-language pathology or audiology without licensure if it employs licensed natural persons in the direct practice of speech-language pathology or audiology. [Any such corporation, partnership, trust, association, or other like organization shall also file with the board a statement, on a form approved by the board, that it submits itself to the rules and regulations of the board and the provisions of sections 345.010 to 345.080 which the board shall 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 a person in the
3 employ of a federal agency insofar as such services are part of the duties of the person's office
4 or position with such agency;

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

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

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

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

17 (6) A person who holds a current valid certificate as a speech-language pathologist 18 issued **before January 1, 2014** by the Missouri department of elementary and secondary 19 education and who is an employee of a public school while providing speech-language pathology 20 services in such school system.

2. No one shall be exempt pursuant to subdivision (1) or (6) of subsection 1 of this 22 section if the person does any work as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist outside of 23 the exempted areas outlined in this section for which a fee or compensation may be paid by the 24 recipient of the service. When college or university clinics charge a fee, supervisors of student 25 clinicians shall be licensed.

345.040. The board shall adopt a seal by which it shall authenticate its proceedings.
2 Copies of its proceedings, records, and acts, when signed by the [secretary] executive director
3 and authenticated by the seal, shall be prima facie evidence in all courts of this state.

345.050. 1. To be eligible for licensure by the board by examination, each applicant shall submit the application fee and shall furnish evidence of such 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 Council on 5 Academic Accreditation of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association or other 6 accrediting agency approved by the board in the area in which licensure is sought;

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

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

17 (4)] Pass an examination promulgated or approved by the board. The board shall 18 determine the subject and scope of the examinations.

19 2. To be eligible for licensure by the board without examination, each applicant shall 20 make application on forms prescribed by the board, submit the application fee and shall be of 21 good moral and ethical character, submit an activity statement and meet one of the following 22 requirements:

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

(2) Hold the certificate of clinical competence issued by the American29 Speech-Language-Hearing Association in the area in which licensure is sought.

345.051. 1. Every person licensed or registered pursuant to the provisions of sections 345.010 to 345.080 shall renew the license **or registration** on or before the renewal date. Such renewal date shall be determined by the board. The application shall be made on a form furnished by the board. The application shall include, but not be limited to, disclosure of the

5 applicant's full name and the applicant's office and residence addresses and the date and number 6 of the applicant's license **or registration**, all final disciplinary actions taken against the applicant 7 by any speech-language-hearing association or society, state, territory[,] **or** federal agency or 8 country and information concerning the applicant's current physical and mental fitness to practice 9 [as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist].

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

3. An applicant for renewal of a license [pursuant to] or registration under this sectionshall:

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

18 (2) Meet any other requirements the board establishes as conditions for license or 19 **registration** renewal, including the demonstration of continued competence to practice the 20 profession for which the license or **registration** is issued. A requirement of continued 21 competence may include, but is not limited to, continuing education, examination, 22 self-evaluation, peer review, performance appraisal or practical simulation.

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

5. If a license or registration is revoked on disciplinary grounds pursuant to section 345.065, the license or registration expires on the expiration date as established by the board for all licenses and registrations issued pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080. Such license or registration may not be renewed. If a license or registration is reinstated after its expiration, the licensee, as a condition of reinstatement, shall pay a reinstatement fee that is equal to the renewal fee in effect on the last regular renewal date immediately preceding the date of reinstatement plus any late fee established by the board.

345.065. 1. The board may refuse to issue any certificate of registration or authority, permit or license required pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080 for one or any combination of causes stated in subsection 2 of this section. The board shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the refusal and shall advise the applicant of the applicant's right to file a complaint with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621. As an 6 alternative to a refusal to issue or renew any certificate, registration or authority, the board may,

at its discretion, issue a license or registration which is subject to probation, restriction or 7 8 limitation to an applicant for licensure or registration for any one or any combination of causes 9 stated in subsection 2 of this section. The board's order of probation, limitation or restriction shall contain a statement of the discipline imposed, the basis therefor, the date such action shall 10 11 become effective and a statement that the applicant has thirty days to request in writing a hearing 12 before the administrative hearing commission. If the board issues a probationary, limited or 13 restricted license or registration to an applicant for licensure or registration, either party may file a written petition with the administrative hearing commission within thirty days of the 14 15 effective date of the probationary, limited or restricted license or registration seeking review 16 of the board's determination. If no written request for a hearing is received by the administrative 17 hearing commission within the thirty-day period, the right to seek review of the board's decision 18 shall be considered as waived.

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

(1) Use of any controlled substance, as defined in chapter 195, or alcoholic beverage to
an extent that such use impairs a person's ability to perform the work of any profession licensed
or regulated by sections 345.010 to 345.080;

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

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

37 (4) Obtaining or attempting to obtain any fee, charge, tuition or other compensation by38 fraud, deception or misrepresentation;

39 (5) Incompetency, misconduct, gross negligence, fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty
40 in the performance of the functions or duties of any profession licensed or regulated by sections
41 345.010 to 345.080;

42 (6) Violation of, or assisting or enabling any person to violate, any provision of sections 43 345.010 to 345.080, or of any lawful rule or regulation adopted pursuant to sections 345.010 to 44 345.080;

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

48 (8) Disciplinary action against the holder of a license or other right to practice any 49 profession regulated by sections 345.010 to 345.080 granted by another state, territory, federal 50 agency or country upon grounds for which revocation or suspension is authorized in this state;

51 (9) A person is finally adjudged insane or incompetent by a court of competent 52 jurisdiction;

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

56 (11) Issuance of a certificate of registration or authority, permit or license based upon 57 a material mistake of fact;

58 (12) Failure to display a valid certificate or license if so required by sections 345.010 to 59 345.080 or any rule promulgated pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080;

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

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

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

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

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

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

69 (19) Misrepresenting the applicant, licensee or holder by using the word doctor or any 70 similar word, abbreviation or symbol if the use is not accurate or if the degree was not obtained 71 from a regionally accredited institution;

72 (20) Committing any act of dishonorable, immoral or unprofessional conduct while 73 engaging in the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology;

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

77 3. After the filing of such complaint, the proceedings shall be conducted in accordance 78 with the provisions of chapter 621. Upon a finding by the administrative hearing commission 79 that the grounds, provided in subsection 2 of this section, for disciplinary action are met, the 80 board may, singly or in combination, censure or place the person named in the complaint on probation on such terms and conditions as the board deems appropriate for a period not to exceed 81 82 ten years, or may suspend, for a period not to exceed three years, or restrict or limit the 83 person's ability to practice for an indefinite period of time, or revoke the license or 84 registration.

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

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

5 2. After August 28, 1997, the commission shall consist of seven members, one of whom 6 shall be a voting public member, appointed by the board of registration for the healing arts. Each member shall be a citizen of the United States and a resident of this state. Three members of the 7 commission shall be licensed speech-language pathologists and three members of the 8 9 commission shall be licensed audiologists. The public member shall be at the time of 10 appointment a citizen of the United States; a resident of this state for a period of one year and a registered voter; a person who is not and never was a member of any profession licensed or 11 12 regulated pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080 or the spouse of such person; and a person 13 who does not have and never has had a material, financial interest in either the providing of the 14 professional services regulated by sections 345.010 to 345.080, or an activity or organization 15 directly related to any profession licensed or regulated pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080. 16 Members shall be appointed to serve three-year terms, except as provided in this subsection. 17 Each member of the advisory commission for [speech] speech-language pathologists and 18 [clinical] audiologists on August 28, 1995, shall become a member of the advisory commission 19 for speech-language pathologists and [clinical] audiologists and shall continue to serve until the 20 term for which the member was appointed expires. Each member of the advisory commission 21 for speech-language pathologists and [clinical] audiologists on August 28, 1997, shall become 22 a member of the advisory commission for speech-language pathologists and audiologists and 23 shall continue to serve until the term for which the member was appointed expires. The first

24 public member appointed pursuant to this subsection shall be appointed for a two-year term and 25 the one additional member appointed pursuant to this subsection shall be appointed for a full 26 three-year term. No person [shall be eligible for reappointment] who has served as a member of 27 the advisory commission for [speech] speech-language pathologists and audiologists [or as a 28 member of the commission as established on August 28, 1995, for a total of six years] for two consecutive terms may be reappointed to the advisory commission until a lapse of at least 29 30 two years has occurred following the completion of his or her two consecutive terms. The 31 membership of the commission shall reflect the differences in levels of education, work 32 experience and geographic residence. For a licensed speech-language pathologist member, the 33 president of the Missouri Speech-Language-Hearing Association in office at the time, and for 34 a licensed audiologist member, the president of the Missouri Academy of Audiologists in office 35 at the time, in consultation with the president of the Missouri Speech-Language-Hearing 36 Association, shall, at least ninety days prior to the expiration of a term of a commission member, 37 other than the public member, or as soon as feasible after a vacancy on the commission otherwise 38 occurs, submit to the executive director of the [division of professional registration] board a list 39 of five persons qualified and willing to fill the vacancy in question, with the request and 40 recommendation that the board of registration for the healing arts appoint one of the five persons 41 so listed, and with the list so submitted, the president of the Missouri Speech-Language-Hearing 42 Association or the president of the Missouri Academy of Audiologists in office at the time shall 43 include in his or her letter of transmittal a description of the method by which the names were 44 chosen by that association.

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

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

56 5. The board of registration for the healing arts may remove a commission member for 57 misconduct, incompetency or neglect of the member's official duties after giving the member 58 written notice of the charges against such member and an opportunity to be heard thereon. 2

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[345.022. 1. Any person in the person's clinical fellowship as defined in sections 345.010 to 345.080 shall hold a provisional license to practice speech-language pathology or audiology. The board may issue a provisional license to an applicant who:

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

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

10 (3) Submits to the board an application fee, as set by the board, for the 11 provisional license.

12 2. A provisional license is effective for one year and may be extended for 13 an additional twelve months only for purposes of completing the postgraduate 14 clinical experience portion of the clinical fellowship; provided that, the applicant 15 has passed the national examination and shall hold a master's degree from an 16 approved training program in his or her area of application.

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

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