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## HOUSE BILL 452

Short Title: Amend Psychology Practice Act/AB.

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Sponsors: Representative Lemmond.

Referred to: Business and Labor.

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1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT TO AMEND THE PSYCHOLOGY PRACTICE ACT.
3	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
4	Section 1. G.S. 90-270.2(7) reads as rewritten:
5	"(7) Licensed psychological associate.psychologist-masters. – An individual to
6	whom a license has been issued pursuant to the provisions of this
7	Article, whose license is in force and not suspended or revoked, and
8	whose license permits him or her to engage in the practice of
9	psychology as defined in this Article."
10	Sec. 2. G.S. 90-270.3 reads as rewritten:
11	"§ 90-270.3. Practice of medicine and optometry not permitted.
12	Nothing in this Article shall be construed as permitting licensed psychologists or
13	licensed psychological associates-psychologist-masters to engage in any manner in all or
14	any of the parts of the practice of medicine or optometry licensed under Articles 1 and 6
15	of Chapter 90 of the General Statutes, including, among others, the diagnosis and
16	correction of visual and muscular anomalies of the human eyes and visual apparatus, eye
17	exercises, orthoptics, vision training, visual training and developmental vision. A
18	licensed psychologist or licensed psychological associate psychologist-masters shall assist
19	his or her client or patient in obtaining professional help for all aspects of the client's or
20	patient's problems that fall outside the boundaries of the psychologist's own competence,

including provision for the diagnosis and treatment of relevant medical or optometric
 problems."

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Sec. 3. G.S. 90-270.4(c) reads as rewritten:

4 Persons certified by the State Board of Education as school psychologists and "(c) 5 serving as regular salaried employees of the Department of Public Instruction or local 6 boards of education are not required to be licensed under this Article in order to perform 7 the duties for which they serve the Department of Public Instruction or local boards of 8 education, and nothing in this Article shall be construed as limiting their activities, 9 services, or titles while performing those duties for which they serve the Department of 10 Public Instruction or local boards of education. If a person certified by the State Board of Education as a school psychologist and serving as a regular salaried employee of the 11 12 Department of Public Instruction or a local board of education is or becomes a licensed psychologist under this Article, he or she shall be required to comply with all conditions, 13 14 requirements, and obligations imposed by statute or by Board rules upon all other 15 licensed psychologists as a condition to retaining that license. Other provisions of this Article notwithstanding, if a person certified by the State Board of Education as a school 16 17 psychologist and serving as a regular salaried employee of the Department of Public 18 Instruction or a local board of education is or becomes may become a licensed psychological associate psychologist-masters under this Article, he or she shall not be 19 20 required to comply with the supervision requirements-without completing the supervision requirements specified in G.S. 90-270.5(e) otherwise applicable to licensed psychological 21 associates by Board rules or by this Article in the course of his or her regular salaried 22 23 employment with the Department of Public Instruction or a local board of education, but he or 24 she shall be required to comply with all other conditions, requirements, and obligations imposed by statute or a local board of education or by Board rules upon all other licensed 25 psychological associates psychologist-masters as a condition to receiving and retaining that 26 The exemption from a provisional supervision period for any licensed 27 license. psychologist-masters who is also a certified school psychologist under this subsection 28 applies only so long as he or she remains as a regular salaried employee with the 29 Department of Public Instruction or a local board of education. Should a psychologist-30 masters who becomes licensed while employed with the Department of Public Instruction 31 or a local board of education wish to work as a psychologist in any other setting, he or 32 she is required to complete the supervision requirements set forth in G.S. 90-270.5(e) as a 33 34 condition of maintaining his or her license."

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Sec. 4. G.S. 90-270.4(d) reads as rewritten:

Nothing in this Article shall be construed as limiting the activities, services, 36 "(d) and use of title designating training status of a student, intern, fellow, or other trainee 37 preparing for the practice of psychology under the supervision and responsibility of a 38 qualified psychologist in an institution of higher education or service facility, provided 39 that such activities and services constitute a part of his course of or her course of study as 40 a matriculated graduate student in psychology. For individuals pursuing postdoctoral or 41 postmasters training or experience in psychology, nothing shall limit the use of a title 42 designating training status, but the Board may develop rules defining qualified 43

supervision, disclosure of supervisory relationships, frequency of supervision, settings to
which trainees may be assigned, activities in which trainees may engage, qualifications
for trainee status, nature of responsibility assumed by the supervisor, and the structure,
content, and organization of postdoctoral experience."

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## Sec. 5. G.S. 90-270.5 reads as rewritten:

# 6 "§ 90-270.5. Application; examination; supervision; provisional and temporary 7 licenses.

8 Except as otherwise exempted by G.S. 90-270.4, persons who are qualified by (a) 9 education to practice psychology in this State must make application for licensure to the 10 Board within 30 days of offering to practice or undertaking the practice of psychology in North Carolina. Applications must then be completed for review by the Board within the 11 12 time period stipulated in the duly adopted rules of the Board. Persons who practice or offer to practice psychology for more than 30 days without making application for 13 14 licensure, who fail to complete the application process within the time period specified by the Board, or who are denied licensure pursuant to G.S. 90-270.11 or G.S. 90-270.15, 15 may not subsequently practice or offer to practice psychology without first becoming 16 17 licensed.

18 (b)After making application for licensure, applicants must take the first examination to which they are admitted by the Board. If applicants fail the examination, 19 20 they may continue to practice psychology until they take the next examination to which 21 they are admitted by the Board. If applicants fail the second examination, they shall cease the practice of psychology per G.S. 90-270.4(h), and may not subsequently practice 22 23 or offer to practice psychology without first reapplying for and receiving a license from 24 the Board. An applicant who does not take an examination on the date prescribed by the Board shall be deemed to have failed that examination. 25

26 All individuals who have yet to apply and who are practicing or offering to (c)27 practice psychology in North Carolina, and all applicants who are practicing or offering to practice psychology in North Carolina, shall at all times comply with supervision 28 29 requirements established by the Board. The Board shall specify in its rules the format, setting, content, time frame, amounts of supervision, qualifications of supervisors, 30 disclosure of supervisory relationships, the organization of the supervised experience, and 31 32 the nature of the responsibility assumed by the supervisor. Individuals shall be 33 supervised for all activities comprising the practice of psychology until they have met the 34 following conditions: 35

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- (1) For licensed psychologist applicants, until they have passed the examination to which they have been admitted by the Board, have been notified of the results, have completed supervision requirements specified in subsection (d) of this section, and have been informed by the Board of permanent licensure as a licensed psychologist; or
- 40(2)For licensed psychological associate psychologist-masters applicants,41until they have passed the examination to which they have been42admitted by the Board, have been notified of the results, have completed43supervision requirements specified in subsection (e) of this section, and

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psychological associate, after which time supervision is required only for those activities specified in subsection (e) of this section. psychologist-

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5 (d) For permanent licensure as a licensed psychologist, an otherwise qualified psychologist must secure two years of acceptable and appropriate supervised experience 6 7 germane to his or her training and intended area of practice as a psychologist. The Board 8 shall permit such supervised experience to be acquired on a less than full-time basis, and 9 shall additionally specify in its rules the format, setting, content, time frame, amounts of 10 supervision, qualifications of supervisors, disclosure of supervisory relationships, the organization of the supervised experience, and the nature of the responsibility assumed 11 12 by the supervisor. Supervision of health services must be received from qualified 13 licensed psychologists holding health services provider certificates, or from other psychologists recognized by the Board in accordance with Board rules. 14

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(1) One of these years of experience shall be postdoctoral, and for this year, the Board may require, as specified in its rules, that the supervised experience be comparable to the knowledge and skills acquired during formal doctoral or postdoctoral education, in accordance with established professional standards.

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- (2) One of these years may be predoctoral and the Board shall establish rules governing appropriate supervised predoctoral experience.
- A psychologist who meets all other requirements of G.S. 90-270.11(a) 22 (3) as a licensed psychologist, except the two years of supervised 23 experience, may be issued a provisional license by the Board for the 24 25 practice of psychology. If the psychologist terminates the supervised experience before the completion of two years, the Board may place the 26 psychologist on inactive status, during which time supervision will not 27 be required, and the practice of psychology or the offer to practice 28 psychology is prohibited. In the event a licensed psychologist issued a 29 provisional license under this subsection is placed on inactive status or 30 is completing the supervised experience on a part-time basis, the Board 31 may renew the provisional license as necessary until such time as the 32 psychologist has completed the equivalent of two years' supervised 33 34 experience.

A licensed psychological associate shall be supervised by a qualified licensed 35 (e) psychologist, or other qualified professionals, in accordance with Board rules specifying 36 the format, setting, content, time frame, amounts of supervision, qualifications of 37 supervisors, disclosure of supervisory relationships, the organization of the supervised 38 experience, and the nature of the responsibility assumed by the supervisor. A licensed 39 psychological associate who provides health services shall be supervised, for those 40 activities requiring supervision, by a qualified licensed psychologist holding health 41 services provider certification or by other qualified professionals under the overall 42 direction of a qualified licensed psychologist holding health services provider 43

1	certification, in	accordance with Board rules. Except as provided below, supervision,
2	including the	supervision of health services, is required only when a licensed
3	psychological	associate engages in: assessment of personality functioning;
4	neuropsycholog	gical evaluation; psychotherapy, counseling, and other interventions with
5	clinical popula	ations for the purpose of preventing or eliminating symptomatic,
6		undesired behavior; and, the use of intrusive, punitive, or experimental
7		hniques, or measures. The Board shall adopt rules implementing and
8	defining this	provision, and as the practice of psychology evolves, may identify
9	additional activ	vities requiring supervision in order to maintain acceptable standards of
10	practice.	
11	In order to rece	eive permanent licensure as a licensed psychologist-masters, an otherwise
12	qualified psych	ologist must secure three years of acceptable and appropriate supervised
13	experience gerr	nane to his or her training and intended area of practice as a psychologist.
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15	basis, and shall	additionally specify in its rules the format, setting, content, time frame,
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17		he organization of the supervision experience, and the nature of the
18	responsibility a	ssumed by the supervisor. Supervision of health services must be by a
19	qualified licent	sed psychologist or a licensed psychologist-masters holding a health
20	services provid	er certificate, or by any other psychologist approved by the Board for this
21	purpose in acco	rdance with Board rules.
22	<u>(1)</u>	Three years of supervised experience shall be acquired following
23		completion of the masters degree.
24	<u>(2)</u>	The three years of experience must involve at least 144 hours of
25		supervision over the course of 5,400 hours of psychology practice. For
26		these three years, the Board may require by rule, that the supervised
27		experience be comparable to the knowledge and skills acquired during
28		formal masters or postmasters education, in accordance with established
29		professional standards.
30	<u>(3)</u>	A masters level psychologist who meets all other requirements as a
31		licensed psychologist-masters under G.S. 90-270.11(b), except the three
32		years of supervised experience, may be issued by the Board a
33		provisional license for the practice of psychology. If the psychologist
34		terminates the supervised experience before the completion of three
35		years, the Board may place the psychologist on inactive status, during
36		which time supervision will not be required, and the psychologist shall
37		not practice psychology or offer to practice psychology. In the event a
38		licensed psychologist-masters issued a provisional license under this
39		subsection is placed on inactive status or is completing the supervised
40		experience on a part-time basis, the Board may renew the provisional
41		license as necessary until such time as the psychologist has completed
42		the equivalent of three years' supervised experience.

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A nonresident psychologist who is either licensed or certified by a similar 1 (f)2 Board in another jurisdiction whose standards, in the opinion of the Board, are, at the date 3 of his or her certification or licensure, substantially equivalent to or higher than the 4 requirements of this Article, may be issued a temporary license by the Board for the 5 practice of psychology in this State for a period not to exceed the aggregate of 30 days in 6 any calendar year. The Board may issue temporary health services provider certification 7 simultaneously if the nonresident psychologist can demonstrate two years of acceptable 8 supervised health services experience. All temporarily licensed psychologists shall 9 comply with supervision requirements established by the Board.

10 (g) An applicant for reinstatement of licensure, whose license was suspended 11 under G.S. 90-270.15(f), may be issued a temporary license and temporary health 12 services provider certification in accordance with the duly adopted rules of the Board." 13 Sec. 6. G.S. 90-270.6 reads as rewritten:

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## 14 "§ 90-270.6. Psychology Board; appointment; term of office; composition.

15 For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Article, there is created a North Carolina Psychology Board, which shall consist of seven members appointed by the 16 17 Governor. At all times three members shall be licensed psychologists, psychologists with 18 a postdoctorate degree in psychology, two members shall be licensed psychological associates, psychologist-masters, and two members shall be members of the public who 19 20 are not licensed under this Article. Each member of the Board must reside in a different 21 congressional district at the time of the appointment. Due consideration shall also be given to the adequate representation of the various fields and areas of practice of 22 23 psychology. Terms of office shall be three years. All terms of service on the Board 24 expire June 30 in appropriate years. As the term of a licensed psychologist member with a postdoctorate degree in psychology expires, or as a vacancy of a psychologist member 25 occurs in that category for any other reason, the North Carolina Psychological 26 27 Association, or its successor, Association shall, having sought the advice of the chairs of the graduate departments of psychology in the State, for each vacancy, submit to the 28 29 Governor a list of the names of three-two eligible persons persons for each vacancy. As 30 the term of a licensed psychologist-masters expires or as a vacancy occurs in that category for any other reason, the organization representing the majority of licensed 31 psychologist-masters in North Carolina shall, having sought the advice of the chairs of 32 the graduate departments of psychology in the State for each vacancy, submit to the 33 Governor a list of the names of two eligible persons for each vacancy. From this list-these 34 35 lists the Governor shall make the appointment-these appointments, each for a full term, or for the remainder of the unexpired term, if any. Each Board member shall serve until his 36 or her successor has been appointed. As the term of a member expires, or if one should 37 38 become vacant for any reason, the Governor shall appoint a new member within 60 days of the vacancy's occurring. No member, either public or licensed under this Article, shall 39 40 serve more than three complete consecutive terms." 41 Sec. 7. G.S. 90-270.10 reads as rewritten:

42 "§ 90-270.10. Annual report.

On June 30 of each year, the Board shall submit a report to the Governor of the 1 2 Board's activities since the preceding July 1, including the names of all licensed 3 psychologists and licensed psychological associates psychologist-masters to whom licenses 4 have been granted under this Article, any cases heard and decisions rendered in matters 5 before the Board, the recommendations of the Board as to future actions and policies, and 6 a financial report. Each member of the Board shall review and sign the report before its 7 submission to the Governor. Any Board member shall have the right to record a 8 dissenting view." 9 Sec. 8. G.S. 90-270.11 reads as rewritten: 10 "§ 90-270.11. Licensure; examination; foreign graduates. Licensed Psychologist. - The Board shall issue a permanent license to practice 11 12 psychology to any applicant who pays an application fee and any applicable examination fee as specified in G.S. 90-270.18(b), who who passes an examination in psychology as 13 14 prescribed by the Board, and who submits evidence verified by oath and satisfactory to 15 the Board that he or she: 16 (1)Is at least 18 years of age; 17 (2)Is of good moral character; 18 (3) Has received a doctoral degree based on a planned and directed program of studies in psychology from an institution of higher education. The 19 20 degree program, wherever administratively housed, must be publicly 21 identified and clearly labeled as a psychology program. The Board shall adopt rules implementing and defining these provisions, including, but 22 23 not limited to, such factors as residence in the educational program, 24 internship and related field experiences, number of course credits, course content, numbers and qualifications of faculty, and program 25 identification and identity. 26 27 (4) Has had at least two years of acceptable and appropriate supervised experience germane to his or her training and intended area of practice 28 29 as a psychologist as specified in G.S. 90-270.5(d). 30 (b) Licensed Psychological Associate. Psychologist-Masters. -The Board shall issue a permanent license to practice psychology to any 31 (1) applicant who pays an application fee and any applicable examination 32 33 fee as specified in G.S. 90-270.18(b), who passes an examination in psychology as prescribed by the Board, and who submits evidence 34 35 verified by oath and satisfactory to the Board that he or she: Is at least 18 years of age; 36 a. Is of good moral character; 37 b. 38 Has received a master's degree in psychology or a specialist c. 39 degree in psychology from an institution of higher education. The degree program, wherever administratively housed, must be 40 publicly identified and clearly labeled as a psychology program. 41 42 The Board shall adopt rules implementing and defining these provisions, including, but not limited to, such factors as residence 43

1	in the program, internship and related field experiences, number
2	of course credits, course content, numbers and qualifications of
3	faculty, and program identification and identity.
4	d. <u>Has completed at least three years of supervised acceptable and</u>
5	appropriate experience germane to his or her training and
6	intended area of practice as a psychologist as specified in G.S.
7	<u>90-270.5(e).</u>
8	(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, a licensed
9	psychologist applicant who has met all requirements for licensure
10	except passing the examination at the licensed psychologist level,
11	examination, may be issued a license as a licensed psychological associate
12	psychological-masters without having a master's degree or specialist
13	degree in psychology if the applicant passes the examination at the
14	licensed psychological associate levela minimum level, as prescribed by
15	the Board.
16	(c) Foreign Graduates. – Applicants trained in institutions outside the United
17	States, applying for licensure at either the licensed psychologist or licensed psychological
18	associate psychologist-masters level, must show satisfactory evidence of training and
19	degrees substantially equivalent to those required of applicants trained within the United
20	States, pursuant to Board rules and regulations.
21	(d) Prior Licensure. – A person who is licensed in good standing as a licensed
22	practicing psychologist or psychological associate with at least three years of supervised
23	clinical experience under the provisions of the Practicing Psychologist Licensing
24	Psychology Practice Act in effect immediately prior to the ratification of this Psychology
25	Practice Act shall be deemed, as of October 1, 1993 deemed to have met all requirements for
26	permanent licensure and independent practice as a licensed psychologist or licensed
27	psychologist-masters under this act-Article and shall be eligible for renewal of licensure
28	in accordance with the provisions of this act. <u>Article.</u> "
29	Sec. 9. G.S. 90-270.15(a)(9) reads as rewritten:
30	"(9) For a licensed psychologist, psychologist or psychologist-masters, has
31	provided health services without health services provider certification;".
32	Sec. 10. G.S. 90-270.16(a) reads as rewritten: I'(a) Example to a substitute of the C.S. 00.270 for it shall be a scientistic of the substitute of the scient sector of the substitute of the scient sector of the scie
33	"(a) Except as permitted in G.S. 90-270.4 and G.S. 90-270.5, it shall be a violation
34	of this Article for any person not licensed in accordance with the provisions of this
35	Article to represent himself or herself as a psychologist, licensed psychologist, licensed
36 37	psychological associate, psychologist-masters, or health services provider in psychology."
37 38	Sec. 11. G.S. 90-270.18(b) reads as rewritten: "(b) Fees for activities specified by this Article are as follows:
38 39	(b) Fees for activities specified by this Afficie are as follows. (1) Application fees for licensed psychologists and licensed <del>psychological</del>
39 40	associates psychologist-masters per G.S. 90-270.11(a) and (b)(1), or G.S.
40 41	90-270.13, shall not exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00).
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1	(2)	Fees for the national written examination shall be the cost of the
2		examination to the Board plus an additional fee not to exceed fifty
3		dollars (\$50.00).
4	(3)	Fees for additional examinations shall be as prescribed by the Board.
5	(4)	Fees for the renewal of licenses, per G.S. 90-270.14(a)(1), shall not
6		exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) per biennium. This fee may
7		not be prorated.
8 9	(5)	Late fees for license renewal, per G.S. 90-270.14(a)(1), shall be twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).
10	(6)	Fees for the reinstatement of a license, per G.S. 90-270.15(f), shall not
11	(0)	exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00).
12	(7)	Fees for a duplicate license, per G.S. 90-270.14(b), shall be twenty-five
12	(')	dollars (\$25.00).
14	(8)	Fees for a temporary license, per G.S. 90-270.5(f) and 90-270.5(g), shall
15	( )	be twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).
16	(9)	Application fees for a health services provider certificate, per G.S. 90-
17		270.20, shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00)."
18	Sec. 1	2. G.S. 90-270.20 reads as rewritten:
19	"§ 90-270.20. H	Provision of health services; certification as health services provider.
20		h services, as defined in G.S. 90-270.2(4) and G.S. 90-270.2(8), may be
21		alified licensed psychological associates, psychologist-masters, qualified
22	· ·	logists holding provisional, temporary, or permanent licenses, or qualified
23		lified licensed psychological associates, psychologist-masters, qualified
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25	• •	alth services only under supervision as specified in the duly adopted rules
26	of the Board.	
27		January 1, 1995, any licensed psychologist who is qualified by education,
28	-	nanent licensure and a doctoral degree, and who provides or offers to
29	<u> </u>	services to the public must be certified as a health services provider
30	· · · ·	SP-P) by the Board. The Board shall certify as health services provider
31		nose applicants who shall demonstrate at least two years of acceptable
32	-	th services experience, of which at least one year is postdoctoral. The
33	-	cify the format, setting, content, and organization of the supervised health
34	1	ence or program. The Board may, upon verification of supervised
35	_	the meeting of all requirements as a licensed psychologist, issue the
36		rtificate simultaneously. An application fee, as specified in G.S. 90-
37 38	270.18(b)(9), m	-
38 39		January 1, 1995, any licensed psychological associate Prior to June 1, 1996, st_who is qualified by education education, has at least two years of
39 40		rvised health services experience, and was licensed under this Article as a
40 41		associate may be granted certification as a health services provider
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42 psychological associate (HSP-PA). psychologist (HSP-P). The Board may, upon 43 verification of qualifications and the meeting of all requirements as a licensed

psychological associate, psychologist-masters, issue the license and certificate 1 2 simultaneously. An application fee, as specified in G.S. 90-270.18(b)(9), must be paid. 3 After January 1, 1995, any Any licensed psychologist or licensed psychologist-(d)masters holding a provisional license who is qualified by education may be granted 4 5 certification as a health services provider psychologist (provisional) (HSP-PP) by the 6 Board. The Board may, upon verification of qualifications and the meeting of all 7 requirements for a provisional license, issue the license and certificate simultaneously. 8 An application fee, as specified in G.S. 90-270.18(b)(9), must be paid. 9 <del>(e)</del> Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, if application 10 is made to the Board before June 30, 1994, by a licensed psychologist who is listed in the National Register of Health Services Providers in Psychology, or who holds permanent 11 12 licensure and who can demonstrate that he or she has been engaged acceptably in the 13 provision of health services for two years or its equivalent, that licensed psychologist 14 shall be certified as a health services provider psychologist. The applicant, in order to 15 demonstrate two years of acceptable experience or its equivalent, must meet one of the 16 following conditions: 17 (1)The applicant is a diplomate in good standing of the American Board of 18 Professional Psychology in any of the areas of professional practice 19 deemed appropriate by the Board; 20 The applicant has the equivalent of two years of acceptable full-time (2)21 experience, one of which was postdoctoral, at sites where health services are provided; 22 23 The applicant submits evidence satisfactory to the Board demonstrating (3)24 that he or she has been engaged acceptably for the equivalent of at least two years full-time in the provision of health services; or 25 Any other conditions that the Board may deem acceptable. 26 (4)27 On June 1, 1996, and thereafter, any licensed psychologist-masters who is (e) qualified by education, who holds permanent licensure and a masters degree, and who 28 29 provides or offers to provide health services to the public must be certified as a health 30 services provider psychologist (HSP-P) by the Board. The Board shall certify as health services provider psychologists those applicants who shall demonstrate at least three 31 years of acceptable supervised health services experience, all of which are postmasters. 32 33 The Board shall specify the format setting, content, and organization of the supervised health services experience or program. The Board may, upon verification of supervised 34 35 experience and the meeting of all requirements as a licensed psychologist-masters, issue the license and certificate simultaneously. An applicant shall pay an application fee, as 36 37 specified in G.S. 90-270.18(b)(9). 38 Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (c) of this section, if application (f)is made to the Board before June 30, 1994, by a licensed psychological associate who can 39 demonstrate that he or she has been engaged acceptably in the provision of health 40 services under supervision for two years or its equivalent, that licensed psychological 41 42 associate shall be certified as a health services provider psychological associate.

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1 (g) The Board shall have the authority to deny, revoke, or suspend the health 2 services provider certificate issued pursuant to these subsections upon a finding that the 3 psychologist has not behaved in conformity with the ethical and professional standards 4 prescribed in G.S. 90-270.15."

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Sec. 13. This act is effective upon ratification.