

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2349 Session of
1996

INTRODUCED BY CAPPABIANCA, JANUARY 31, 1996

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE,
JANUARY 31, 1996

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 12, 1986 (P.L.89, No.33), entitled "An
2 act amending the act of March 23, 1972 (P.L.136, No.52),
3 entitled 'An act relating to the practice of psychology,
4 providing for licensing of psychologists, making certain acts
5 illegal and providing penalties,' reestablishing the State
6 Board of Psychologist Examiners as the State Board of
7 Psychology; providing for its composition, powers and duties;
8 changing provisions relating to the issuance of licenses and
9 the suspension and revocation of licenses; providing for
10 fees; providing for penalties; and making repeals," further
11 providing for delayed implementation.

12 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
13 hereby enacts as follows:

14 Section 1. Section 20 of the act of April 12, 1986 (P.L.89,
15 No.33), entitled "An act amending the act of March 23, 1972
16 (P.L.136, No.52), entitled 'An act relating to the practice of
17 psychology, providing for licensing of psychologists, making
18 certain acts illegal and providing penalties,' reestablishing
19 the State Board of Psychologist Examiners as the State Board of
20 Psychology; providing for its composition, powers and duties;
21 changing provisions relating to the issuance of licenses and the
22 suspension and revocation of licenses; providing for fees;

1 providing for penalties; and making repeals," amended July 13,
2 1988 (P.L.508, No.88), is amended to read:

3 Section 20. To provide a transition period for persons who
4 had completed or were enrolled in a graduate degree program in
5 psychology or another of the behavioral sciences as of September
6 30, 1986, to apply for licensure under rules in existence
7 immediately prior to the effective date of this act, the board,
8 until [December 31, 1995] June 30, 1997, shall issue initial
9 licenses to persons who:

10 (1) by December 31, [1994] 1996, submitted evidence in a
11 manner prescribed by the board of having, as of September 30,
12 1986, completed or been then currently enrolled in a graduate
13 degree program in psychology or another of the behavioral
14 sciences; [and]

15 (2) have completed three years of supervised experience
16 as a psychologist-in-training, 3,500 hours of which shall
17 have been supervised by a licensed psychologist in accordance
18 with the requirements of the board; [and]

19 (3) have fulfilled all administrative requirements of
20 the board as of [December 31, 1994] January 31, 1995, and
21 possessed all of the other qualifications for licensure in
22 effect at the time of the examination; and

23 (4) have satisfactorily passed the examination.

24 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.