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(As Amended)

**"AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC HEALTH LICENSING STATUTES."**

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1 Strike section 63 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu  
2 thereof:

3 "Sec. 63. Section 20-411 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):

5 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section no person  
6 shall be licensed under this chapter until such person has successfully  
7 passed a written examination, the subject and scope of which shall be  
8 determined by the commissioner. Application for such examination  
9 shall be on forms prescribed and furnished by the department and  
10 accompanied by satisfactory proof that the applicant: (1) Is of good  
11 professional character; (2) possesses a master's or doctorate degree in  
12 speech and language pathology [or audiology] from a program

13 accredited, at the time of the applicant's graduation, by the educational  
14 standards board of the American Speech-Language Hearing  
15 Association or such successor organization as may be approved by the  
16 department, or has completed an integrated educational program  
17 which, at the time of the applicant's completion, satisfied the  
18 educational requirements of said organization for the award of a  
19 certificate of clinical competence; (3) has [had] satisfactorily completed  
20 a minimum of thirty-six weeks, [and] including not less than one  
21 thousand eighty hours of full-time, or a minimum of forty-eight weeks,  
22 [and] including not less than one thousand four hundred forty hours  
23 of part-time professional employment in speech and language  
24 pathology [or audiology] under the supervision of a licensed or  
25 certified speech and language pathologist, [or audiologist.] Such  
26 employment shall follow the completion of the educational  
27 requirements of subdivision (2) of this subsection and shall consist of  
28 at least six sessions of supervision per month providing a total of at  
29 least four hours of supervision per month, at least two sessions of  
30 which shall provide a total of at least two hours of direct on-site  
31 observation of speech and language pathology services provided by  
32 the applicant. [Persons engaged in such employment under the direct  
33 supervision of a person holding a valid hearing instrument specialist's  
34 license or as an audiologist under this chapter who is authorized to fit  
35 and sell hearing aids pursuant to section 20-398 shall not be required to  
36 obtain a temporary permit pursuant to section 20-400.] "Full-time  
37 employment" means a minimum of thirty hours a week and "part-time  
38 employment" means a minimum of fifteen hours a week. [The  
39 postgraduate supervised employment requirements of subdivision (3)  
40 of this subsection shall be waived for persons who meet the January 1,  
41 2007, Standards for the Certificate of Clinical Competence in  
42 Audiology of the American Speech-Language Hearing Association, or  
43 its successor organization.]

44 (b) The commissioner may waive the written examination for any  
45 person who (1) is licensed as a speech and language pathologist [or  
46 audiologist] in another state or territory of the United States and such

47 state or territory has licensing requirements at least equivalent to the  
48 requirements in this state; or (2) holds a certificate from a national  
49 professional organization, approved by the commissioner, in speech  
50 and language pathology. [or audiology.]"