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## SENATE BILL No. 240

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DIGEST OF SB 240 (Updated February 17, 2011 3:28 pm - DI 14)

**Citations Affected:** IC 25-35.6; noncode.

**Synopsis:** Speech-language pathologists. Recognizes speech-language pathologists who: (1) before September 1, 1990, completed all the course work and obtained all the experience required to receive a life license from the department of education; and (2) was issued a life license by the department of education; as eligible to supervise speech-language pathology support personnel (in lieu of another requirement to have obtained a certificate of clinical competence from a nationally recognized association). Removes a provision requiring that, to supervise speech-language pathology support personnel, a speech-language pathologist have at least three years of clinical experience. Provides for licensure of speech-language pathologists if certain continuing education standards are met. Voids part of an administrative rule concerning qualification requirements to supervise speech-language pathology support personnel.

**Effective:** July 1, 2010 (retroactive); July 1, 2011.

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January 6, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Policy.  
February 14, 2011, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.  
February 17, 2011, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.

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First Regular Session 117th General Assembly (2011)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 25-35.6-1-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.197-2007,  
2 SECTION 91, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2011]: Sec. 8. (a) The board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2  
4 to define the role of support personnel, including the following:  
5 (1) Supervisory responsibilities of the speech-language  
6 pathologist.  
7 (2) Ratio of support personnel to speech-language pathologists.  
8 (3) Scope of duties and restrictions of responsibilities for each  
9 type of support personnel.  
10 (4) Frequency, duration, and documentation of supervision.  
11 (5) Education and training required to perform services.  
12 (6) Procedures for renewing registration and terminating duties.  
13 (b) A speech-language pathologist must meet the following  
14 qualifications to supervise speech-language pathology support  
15 personnel:  
16 (1) Hold a current license as a speech-language pathologist issued  
17 by the board.

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~~(2) Have at least three (3) years of clinical experience.~~

~~(3) (2) Except for an individual who:~~

~~(A) before September 1, 1990, completed all the course work and obtained all the experience required to receive a life license from the department of education; and~~

~~(B) was issued a life license by the department of education;~~

~~hold a certificate of clinical competence in speech-language pathology or its equivalent issued by a nationally recognized association for speech-language and hearing.~~

(c) Speech-language pathology support personnel may provide support services only under the supervision of a speech-language pathologist.

SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2010 (RETROACTIVE)] (a) **Notwithstanding IC 25-35.6-1-8(b)(3), before amendment by this act on July 1, 2011, a speech-language pathologist is not required to hold a certificate of clinical competence in speech-language pathology or its equivalent issued by a nationally recognized association for speech-language and hearing to supervise speech-language pathology support personnel.**

(b) This SECTION expires July 1, 2013.

SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011] (a) **The Indiana professional licensing agency shall issue a license in speech-language pathology as follows:**

(1) **To each individual who applies for licensure and meets the following qualifications:**

(A) **Holds a license in speech and hearing therapy issued by the department of education.**

(B) **Has a master's degree in speech-language pathology or a related discipline.**

(C) **Has been employed as a speech-language pathologist for at least nine (9) months in the last five (5) years.**

(2) **To each individual who applies for licensure and meets all of the following qualifications:**

(A) **Holds a license in speech-language pathology issued by the department of education.**

(B) **Has:**

(i) **been employed as a speech-language pathologist for at least nine (9) months in the last five (5) years; or**

(ii) **taken at least thirty-six (36) hours of continuing education approved by the department of education or**

**the health professions bureau after December 31, 2007, and before**

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1       **January 1, 2013.**  
2           **(b) This SECTION expires July 1, 2013.**  
3           SECTION 4. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2010 (RETROACTIVE)] **(a)**  
4       **880 IAC 1-2.1-9(i) is void.**  
5           **(b) The publisher of the Indiana Administrative Code and**  
6       **Indiana Register shall remove 880 IAC 1-2.1-9(i) from the Indiana**  
7       **Administrative Code.**  
8           **(c) This SECTION expires January 1, 2012.**  
9           SECTION 5. **An emergency is declared for this act.**

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## COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Public Policy, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 240, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 2, strike line 1.

Page 2, line 2, strike "(3)" and insert "(2)".

Page 2, line 2, delete "Except for an individual who received a life license from" and insert "**Except for an individual who:**

**(A) before September 1, 1990, completed all the course work and obtained all the experience required to receive a life license from the department of education; and**

**(B) was issued a life license by the department of education;"**.

Page 2, line 3, delete "the department of education before 1985,".

Page 2, line 3, beginning with "hold" begin a new line block indented.

Page 2, line 17, delete "2011." and insert "**2012.**".

Page 2, between lines 17 and 18, begin a new paragraph and insert: "**SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2010 (RETROACTIVE)] (a) 880 IAC 1-2.1-9(i) is void.**

**(b) The publisher of the Indiana Administrative Code and Indiana Register shall remove 880 IAC 1-2.1-9(i) from the Indiana Administrative Code.**

**(c) This SECTION expires January 1, 2012."**

Re-number all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 240 as introduced.)

ALTING, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

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 SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senate Bill 240 be amended to read as follows:

Page 2, line 21, delete "2012." and insert "**2013.**".

Page 2, between lines 21 and 22, begin a new paragraph and insert the following:

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"SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011] (a) The Indiana professional licensing agency shall issue a license in speech-language pathology as follows:

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(C) Has been employed as a speech-language pathologist for at least nine (9) months in the last five (5) years.

(2) To each individual who applies for licensure and meets all of the following qualifications:

(A) Holds a license in speech-language pathology issued by the department of education.

(B) Has:

(i) been employed as a speech-language pathologist for at least nine (9) months in the last five (5) years; or

(ii) taken at least thirty-six (36) hours of continuing education approved by the department of education or

the health professions bureau after December 31, 2007, and before January 1, 2013.

(b) This SECTION expires July 1, 2013."

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to SB 240 as printed February 14, 2011.)

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