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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 the licensing of speech-language pathologists and audiologists, with existing 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,

- 2 345.051, 345.065, and 345.080, RSMo, are repealed and eight new sections
- 3 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 345.015, 345.020, 345.025,
- 4 345.040, 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

- 2 mean:
- 3 (1) "Audiologist", a person who is licensed as an audiologist pursuant to
- 4 sections 345.010 to 345.080 to practice audiology;
- 5 (2) "Audiology aide", a person who is registered as an audiology aide by
- 6 the board, who does not act independently but works under the direction and
- 7 supervision of a licensed audiologist. Such person assists the audiologist with
- 8 activities which require an understanding of audiology but do not require formal
- 9 training in the relevant academics. To be eligible for registration by the board,
- 10 each applicant shall submit a registration fee, be of good moral and ethical
- 11 character; and:
- 12 (a) Be at least eighteen years of age;
- 13 (b) Furnish evidence of the person's educational qualifications which shall
- 14 be at a minimum:
- 15 a. Certification of graduation from an accredited high school or its

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

- 16 equivalent; and
- b. On-the-job training;
- 18 (c) Be employed in a setting in which direct and indirect supervision are provided on a regular and systematic basis by a licensed audiologist.
- 20 However, the aide shall not administer or interpret hearing screening or
- 21 diagnostic tests, fit or dispense hearing instruments, make ear impressions, make
- 22 diagnostic statements, determine case selection, present written reports to anyone
- 23 other than the supervisor without the signature of the supervisor, make referrals
- 24 to other professionals or agencies, use a title other than [speech-language
- 25 pathology aide or clinical] audiology aide, develop or modify treatment plans,
- 26 discharge clients from treatment or terminate treatment, disclose clinical
- 27 information, either orally or in writing, to anyone other than the supervising
- 28 [speech-language pathologist/audiologist] audiologist, or perform any procedure
- 29 for which he or she is not qualified, has not been adequately trained or both;
- 30 (3) "Board", the state board of registration for the healing arts;
- 31 (4) ["Clinical fellowship", the supervised professional employment period 32 following completion of the academic and practicum requirements of an accredited 33 training program as defined in sections 345.010 to 345.080;
- 34 (5)] "Commission", the advisory commission for speech-language 35 pathologists and audiologists;
- [(6)] (5) "Hearing instrument" or "hearing aid", any wearable device or instrument designed for or offered for the purpose of aiding or compensating for impaired human hearing and any parts, attachments or accessories, including ear molds, but excluding batteries, cords, receivers and repairs;
- 40 **[**(7)**] (6)** "Person", any individual, organization, or corporate body, except that only individuals may be licensed pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080;
- 42 [(8)] (7) "Practice of audiology":
- 43 (a) The application of accepted audiologic principles, methods and 44 procedures for the measurement, testing, interpretation, appraisal and prediction 45 related to disorders of the auditory system, balance system or related structures 46 and systems;
- 47 (b) Provides consultation[,] or counseling to the patient, client, student, 48 their family or interested parties;
- 49 (c) Provides academic, social and medical referrals when appropriate;
- 50 (d) Provides for establishing goals, implementing strategies, methods and 51 techniques, for habilitation, rehabilitation or aural rehabilitation, related to

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52 disorders of the auditory system, balance system or related structures and 53 systems;

- 54 (e) Provides for involvement in related research, teaching or public 55 education;
- (f) Provides for rendering of services or participates in the planning, directing or conducting of programs which are designed to modify audition, communicative, balance or cognitive disorder, which may involve speech and language or education issues;
- 60 (g) Provides and interprets behavioral and neurophysiologic 61 measurements of auditory balance, cognitive processing and related functions, 62 including intraoperative monitoring;
- 63 (h) Provides involvement in any tasks, procedures, acts or practices that 64 are necessary for evaluation of audition, hearing, training in the use of 65 amplification or assistive listening devices;
- 66 (i) Provides selection, assessment, fitting, programming, and dispensing 67 of hearing instruments, assistive listening devices, and other amplification 68 systems;
- (j) Provides for taking impressions of the ear, making custom ear molds,ear plugs, swim molds and industrial noise protectors;
 - (k) Provides assessment of external ear and cerumen management;
- 72 (l) Provides advising, fitting, mapping assessment of implantable devices 73 such as cochlear or auditory brain stem devices;
- 74 (m) Provides information in noise control and hearing conservation 75 including education, equipment selection, equipment calibration, site evaluation 76 and employee evaluation;
 - (n) Provides performing basic speech-language screening test;
- 78 (o) Provides involvement in social aspects of communication, including 79 challenging behavior and ineffective social skills, lack of communication 80 opportunities;
- 81 (p) Provides support and training of family members and other 82 communication partners for the individual with auditory balance, cognitive and 83 communication disorders;
- 84 (q) Provides aural rehabilitation and related services to individuals with 85 hearing loss and their families;
- 86 (r) Evaluates, collaborates and manages audition problems in the 87 assessment of the central auditory processing disorders and providing

- 88 intervention for individuals with central auditory processing disorders;
- 89 (s) Develops and manages academic and clinical problems in 90 communication sciences and disorders:
- 91 (t) Conducts, disseminates and applies research in communication 92 sciences and disorders;
- 93 [(9)] (8) "Practice of speech-language pathology":
- 94 (a) Provides screening, identification, assessment, diagnosis, treatment, 95 intervention, including but not limited to prevention, restoration, amelioration 96 and compensation, and follow-up services for disorders of:
- 97 a. Speech: articulation, fluency, voice, including respiration, phonation 98 and resonance;
- b. Language, involving the parameters of phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics and pragmatic; and including disorders of receptive and expressive communication in oral, written, graphic and manual modalities;
- 102 c. Oral, pharyngeal, cervical esophageal and related functions, such as 103 dysphagia, including disorders of swallowing and oral functions for feeding; 104 orofacial myofunctional disorders;
- d. Cognitive aspects of communication, including communication disability and other functional disabilities associated with cognitive impairment;
- e. Social aspects of communication, including challenging behavior, ineffective social skills, lack of communication opportunities;
- 109 (b) Provides consultation and counseling and makes referrals when 110 appropriate;
- 111 (c) Trains and supports family members and other communication 112 partners of individuals with speech, voice, language, communication and 113 swallowing disabilities;
- 114 (d) Develops and establishes effective augmentative and alternative 115 communication techniques and strategies, including selecting, prescribing and 116 dispensing of augmentative aids and devices; and the training of individuals, 117 their families and other communication partners in their use;
- 118 (e) Selects, fits and establishes effective use of appropriate 119 prosthetic/adaptive devices for speaking and swallowing, such as 120 tracheoesophageal valves, electrolarynges, or speaking valves;
- 121 (f) Uses instrumental technology to diagnose and treat disorders of 122 communication and swallowing, such as videofluoroscopy, nasendoscopy, 123 ultrasonography and stroboscopy;

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124 (g) Provides aural rehabilitative and related counseling services to 125 individuals with hearing loss and to their families;

- (h) Collaborates in the assessment of central auditory processing disorders in cases in which there is evidence of speech, language or other cognitive communication disorders; provides intervention for individuals with central auditory processing disorders;
- 130 (i) Conducts pure-tone air conduction hearing screening and screening 131 tympanometry for the purpose of the initial identification or referral;
- (j) Enhances speech and language proficiency and communication effectiveness, including but not limited to accent reduction, collaboration with teachers of English as a second language and improvement of voice, performance and singing;
 - (k) Trains and supervises support personnel;
- 137 (l) Develops and manages academic and clinical programs in 138 communication sciences and disorders;
- 139 (m) Conducts, disseminates and applies research in communication 140 sciences and disorders;
- 141 (n) Measures outcomes of treatment and conducts continuous evaluation 142 of the effectiveness of practices and programs to improve and maintain quality 143 of services;
- [(10)] (9) "Speech-language pathologist", a person who is licensed as a speech-language pathologist pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080; who engages in the practice of speech-language pathology as defined in sections 345.010 to 345.080;
- [(11)] (10) "Speech-language pathology aide", a person who is registered 148 as a speech-language aide by the board, who does not act independently but 149 works under the direction and supervision of a licensed speech-language 150 151 pathologist. Such person assists the speech-language pathologist with activities 152 which require an understanding of speech-language pathology but do not require 153 formal training in the relevant academics. To be eligible for registration by the board, each applicant shall submit a registration fee, be of good moral and ethical 154 155 character; and:
 - (a) Be at least eighteen years of age;
- 157 (b) Furnish evidence of the person's educational qualifications which shall 158 be at a minimum:
- a. Certification of graduation from an accredited high school or its

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- b. On-the-job training;
- 162 (c) Be employed in a setting in which direct and indirect supervision is 163 provided on a regular and systematic basis by a licensed speech-language 164 pathologist. However, the aide shall not administer or interpret hearing 165 screening or diagnostic tests, fit or dispense hearing instruments, make ear impressions, make diagnostic statements, determine case selection, present 166 167 written reports to anyone other than the supervisor without the signature of the 168 supervisor, make referrals to other professionals or agencies, use a title other than speech-language pathology aide [or clinical audiology aide], develop or 169 170 modify treatment plans, discharge clients from treatment or terminate treatment, 171 disclose clinical information, either orally or in writing, to anyone other than the 172supervising speech-language [pathologist/audiologist] pathologist, or perform any procedure for which he or she is not qualified, has not been adequately 173 174 trained or both;
 - [(12)] (11) "Speech-language pathology assistant", a person who is registered as a speech-language pathology assistant by the board, who does not act independently but works under the direction and supervision of a licensed speech-language pathologist practicing for at least one year or speechlanguage pathologist practicing under subdivisions (1) or (6) of subsection 1 of section 345.025 for at least one year and whose activities require both academic and practical training in the field of speech-language pathology although less training than those established by sections 345.010 to 345.080 as necessary for licensing as a speech-language pathologist. To be eligible for registration by the board, each applicant shall submit the registration fee, supervising speech-language pathologist information if employment is confirmed, if not such information shall be provided after registration, be of good moral character and furnish evidence of the person's educational qualifications which meet the following:
- (a) Hold a bachelor's level degree [in the field of speech-language 190 pathology from an institution accredited or approved by a regional accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education or its equivalent; and
 - (b) Submit official transcripts from one or more accredited colleges or universities presenting evidence of the completion of bachelor's level course work and clinical [practicum] requirements [equivalent to that required or approved

by a regional accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education or its equivalent] in the field of speech-language 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.

- 6 2. No person shall practice or hold himself or herself out as being able to 7 practice speech-language pathology or audiology in this state unless the person is licensed in accordance with the provisions of sections 345.010 to 345.080. Nothing in sections 345.010 to 345.080, however, shall be construed to 10 prevent a qualified person licensed in this state under any other law from engaging in the profession for which the person is licensed, and a licensed 11 12 physician or surgeon may practice speech-language pathology or audiology without being licensed in accordance with the provisions of sections 345.010 to 13 14 345.080.
- 3. No person shall hold himself or herself out as being a speech-language 15 pathologist in this state unless the person is licensed as provided in sections 16 345.010 to 345.080. Any person who, in any manner, represents himself or 1718 herself as a speech-language pathologist or who uses in connection with such 19 person's name the words or letters: "speech-language pathologist", "speech 20 pathologist", "speech therapy", "speech therapist", "speech clinic", "speech 21clinician", "S.L.P.", "language specialist", "logopedist" or any other letters, words, 22 abbreviations or insignia, indicating or implying that the person is a speech-language pathologist without a valid existing license is guilty of a class 23 B misdemeanor. 24
- 4. No person shall hold himself or herself out as being an audiologist in 25 this state unless the person is licensed as provided in sections 345.010 to 26 345.080. Any person who, in any manner, represents himself or herself as an 27 audiologist or who uses in connection with such person's name the words: 28 29 "audiology", "audiologist", "audiological", "hearing clinic", "hearing clinician", 30 "hearing therapist" or any other letters, words, abbreviations or insignia, 31 indicating or implying that the person is an audiologist without a valid existing license is guilty of a class B misdemeanor. 32

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pathology assistant or aide or audiology aide in this state unless the person is 34 35 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:
- (1) The activities, services, and the use of an official title on the part of a person in the employ of a federal agency insofar as such services are part of the 3 duties of the person's office or position with such agency;
 - (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 pursuing a course of study at a university or college that has been 7 8 approved by its regional accrediting association, or working in a recognized training center, if these activities and services constitute a part of the person's 10 course of study supervised by a licensed speech-language pathologist or 11 audiologist as provided in section 345.050;
 - (4) The activities and services of physicians and surgeons licensed pursuant to chapter 334;
- (5) Audiometric technicians who are certified by the council for 14 accreditation of occupational hearing conservationists when conducting pure tone 15 air conduction audiometric tests for purposes of industrial hearing conservation 16 and comply with requirements of the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration;
 - (6) A person who holds a current valid certificate as a speech-language pathologist issued before January 1, 2016, by the Missouri department of elementary and secondary education and who is an employee of a public school while providing speech-language pathology services in such school system.
- 23 2. No one shall be exempt pursuant to subdivision (1) or (6) of subsection 1 of this section if the person does any work as a speech-language pathologist or 24 25audiologist outside of the exempted areas outlined in this section for which a fee

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or compensation may be paid by the recipient of the service. When college or university clinics charge a fee, supervisors of student clinicians shall be licensed.

345.040. The board shall adopt a seal by which it shall authenticate its proceedings. Copies of its proceedings, records, and acts, when signed by the [secretary] executive director 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 5 Council on Academic Accreditation of the American Speech-Language-Hearing 6 Association or other accrediting agency approved by the board in the area in 7 which licensure is sought;
 - (2) Submit official transcripts from one or more accredited colleges or universities presenting evidence of the completion of course work and clinical practicum requirements equivalent to that required by the Council on Academic Accreditation of the American 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;
 - (4)] Pass an examination promulgated or approved by the board. The board shall determine the subject and scope of the examinations.
 - 2. To be eligible for licensure by the board without examination, each applicant shall make application on forms prescribed by the board, submit the application fee and shall be of good moral and ethical character, submit an activity statement and meet one of the following requirements:
- 26 (1) The board shall issue a license to any speech-language pathologist or 27 audiologist who is licensed in another jurisdiction and who has had no violations, 28 suspension or revocations of a license to practice speech-language pathology or 29 audiology in any jurisdiction; provided that, such person is licensed in a 30 jurisdiction whose requirements are substantially equal to, or greater than,

- 31 Missouri at the time the applicant applies for licensure; or
- 32 (2) Hold the certificate of clinical competence issued by the American
- 33 Speech-Language-Hearing Association in the area in which licensure is sought.
 - 345.051. 1. Every person licensed or registered pursuant to the provisions
 - 2 of sections 345.010 to 345.080 shall renew the license or registration on or
 - 3 before the renewal date. Such renewal date shall be determined by the
 - 4 board. The application shall be made on a form furnished by the board. The
 - 5 application shall include, but not be limited to, disclosure of the applicant's full
 - 6 name and the applicant's office and residence addresses and the date and number
 - 7 of the applicant's license **or registration**, all final disciplinary actions taken
 - 8 against the applicant by any speech-language-hearing association or society,
- 9 state, territory[,] or federal agency or country and information concerning the
- 10 applicant's current physical and mental fitness to practice [as a speech-language
- 11 pathologist or audiologist].
- 12 2. A blank form for application for license **or registration** renewal shall
- 13 be mailed to each person licensed or registered in this state at the person's last
- 14 known office or residence address. The failure to mail the form of application or
- 15 the failure to receive it does not, however, relieve any person of the duty to renew
- 16 the license or registration and pay the fee required by sections 345.010 to
- 17 345.080 for failure to renew the license or registration.
- 3. An applicant for renewal of a license [pursuant to] or registration
- 19 **under** this section shall:
- 20 (1) Submit an amount established by the board; and
- 21 (2) Meet any other requirements the board establishes as conditions for
- 22 license or registration renewal, including the demonstration of continued
- 23 competence to practice the profession for which the license or registration is
- 24 issued. A requirement of continued competence may include, but is not limited
- 25 to, continuing education, examination, self-evaluation, peer review, performance
- 26 appraisal or practical simulation.
- 4. If a license **or registration** is suspended pursuant to section 345.065,
- 28 the license or registration expires on the expiration date as established by the
- 29 board for all licenses and registrations issued pursuant to sections 345.010 to
- 30 345.080. Such license or registration may be renewed but does not entitle the
- 31 licensee to engage in the licensed or registered activity or in any other conduct
- 32 or activity which violates the order of judgment by which the license or
 - 3 registration was suspended until such license or registration has been

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35 5. If a license or registration is revoked on disciplinary grounds pursuant to section 345.065, the license or registration expires on the 36 expiration date as established by the board for all licenses and registrations 37 38 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 39 expiration, the licensee, as a condition of reinstatement, shall pay a 40 reinstatement fee that is equal to the renewal fee in effect on the last regular 41 42 renewal date immediately preceding the date of reinstatement plus any late fee 43 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 5 advise the applicant of the applicant's right to file a complaint with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621. As an 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 limitation to an applicant for licensure or registration for any one or any combination of causes stated in subsection 2 of this 11 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 12 become effective and a statement that the applicant has thirty days to request in 13 writing a hearing before the administrative hearing commission. If the board 15 issues a probationary, limited or restricted license or registration to an applicant for licensure or registration, either party may file a written petition 16 with the administrative hearing commission within thirty days of the effective 17 date of the probationary, limited or restricted license or registration seeking 18 review of the board's determination. If no written request for a hearing is 19 received by the administrative hearing commission within the thirty-day period, 20 the right to seek review of the board's decision shall be considered as waived. 21

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

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27 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 34 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;
- 42 (4) Obtaining or attempting to obtain any fee, charge, tuition or other 43 compensation by fraud, deception or misrepresentation;
 - (5) Incompetency, misconduct, gross negligence, fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty in the performance of the functions or duties of any profession licensed or regulated by sections 345.010 to 345.080;
 - (6) Violation of, or assisting or enabling any person to violate, any provision of sections 345.010 to 345.080, or of any lawful rule or regulation adopted pursuant to sections 345.010 to 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;
 - (8) Disciplinary action against the holder of a license or other right to practice any profession regulated by sections 345.010 to 345.080 granted by another state, territory, federal agency or country upon grounds for which revocation or suspension is authorized in this state;
- (9) A person is finally adjudged insane or incompetent by a court of 57 competent jurisdiction; 58
- 59 (10) Assisting or enabling any person to practice or offer to practice any 60 profession licensed or regulated by sections 345.010 to 345.080 who is not 61 registered and currently eligible to practice pursuant to sections 345.010 to 62 345.080;

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63 (11) Issuance of a certificate of registration or authority, permit or license 64 based upon a material mistake of fact;

- 65 (12) Failure to display a valid certificate or license if so required by 66 sections 345.010 to 345.080 or any rule promulgated pursuant to sections 345.010 67 to 345.080;
 - (13) Violation of any professional trust or confidence;
- 69 (14) Fraudulently or deceptively using a license, provisional license or 70 registration;
- 71 (15) Altering a license, provisional license or registration;
- 72 (16) Willfully making or filing a false report or record in the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology;
- 74 (17) Using or promoting or causing the use of any misleading, deceiving, 75 improbable or untruthful advertising matter, promotional literature, testimonial, 76 guarantee, warranty, label, brand, insignia or any other representation;
- 77 (18) Falsely representing the use or availability of services or advice of a physician;
- 79 (19) Misrepresenting the applicant, licensee or holder by using the word 80 doctor or any similar word, abbreviation or symbol if the use is not accurate or 81 if the degree was not obtained from a regionally accredited institution;
- 82 (20) Committing any act of dishonorable, immoral or unprofessional 83 conduct while 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.
- 87 3. After the filing of such complaint, the proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 621. Upon a finding by the 88 89 administrative hearing commission that the grounds, provided in subsection 2 of this section, for disciplinary action are met, the board may, singly or in 90 combination, censure or place the person named in the complaint on probation on 91 such terms and conditions as the board deems appropriate for a period not to 92 exceed ten years, or may suspend, for a period not to exceed three years, or 93 restrict or limit the person's ability to practice for an indefinite period 94 95 of time, or revoke the license or 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

99 not need to allege and prove that there is no adequate remedy at law to obtain 100 an injunction. The members of the board and the advisory commission shall not 101 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.

6 2. After August 28, 1997, the commission shall consist of seven members, 7 one of whom 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 commission shall be 10 licensed speech-language pathologists and three members of the commission shall be licensed audiologists. The public member shall be at the time of appointment 11 12 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 13 14 licensed or regulated pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080 or the spouse of such person; and a person who does not have and never has had a material, 15 16 financial interest in either the providing of the professional services regulated by sections 345.010 to 345.080, or an activity or organization directly related to any 17 18 profession licensed or regulated pursuant to sections 345.010 to 345.080. Members shall be appointed to serve three-year terms, except as 19 20 provided in this subsection. Each member of the advisory commission for 21 [speech] speech-language pathologists and [clinical] audiologists on August 28, 22 1995, shall become a member of the advisory commission for speech-language pathologists and [clinical] audiologists and shall continue to serve until the term 23for which the member was appointed expires. Each member of the advisory 24commission for speech-language pathologists and [clinical] audiologists on August 2526 28, 1997, shall become a member of the advisory commission for speech-language 27 pathologists and audiologists and shall continue to serve until the term for which the member was appointed expires. The first public member appointed pursuant 28 29 to this subsection shall be appointed for a two-year term and the one additional 30 member appointed pursuant to this subsection shall be appointed for a full 31 three-year term. No person [shall be eligible for reappointment] who has served 32 as a member of the advisory commission for [speech] speech-language 33 pathologists and audiologists [or as a member of the commission as established

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on August 28, 1995, for a total of six years] for two consecutive terms may 34 be reappointed to the advisory commission until a lapse of at least two 35 years has occurred following the completion of his or her two 36 37 consecutive terms. The membership of the commission shall reflect the differences in levels of education, work experience and geographic residence. For 38 a licensed speech-language pathologist member, the president of the Missouri 39 Speech-Language-Hearing Association in office at the time, and for a licensed 40 audiologist member, the president of the Missouri Academy of Audiologists in 41 office at the time, in consultation with the president of the Missouri 42 Speech-Language-Hearing Association, shall, at least ninety days prior to the 43 expiration of a term of a commission member, other than the public member, or 44 45 as soon as feasible after a vacancy on the commission otherwise occurs, submit 46 to the executive director of the [division of professional registration] board a list of five persons qualified and willing to fill the vacancy in question, with the 47 48 request and recommendation that the board of registration for the healing arts appoint one of the five persons so listed, and with the list so submitted, the 49 50 president of the Missouri Speech-Language-Hearing Association or the president of the Missouri Academy of Audiologists in office at the time shall include in his 51 or her letter of transmittal a description of the method by which the names were 52 chosen by that association. 53

- 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.
- 5. The board of registration for the healing arts may remove a commission member for misconduct, incompetency or neglect of the member's official duties after giving the member written notice of the charges against such member and

70 an opportunity to be heard thereon.

[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
- (3) Submits to the board an application fee, as set by the board, for the provisional license.
- 2. A provisional license is effective for one year and may be extended for an additional twelve months only for purposes of completing the postgraduate clinical experience portion of the clinical fellowship; provided that, the applicant has passed the national examination and shall hold a master's degree from an approved training program in his or her area of application.
- 3. Within twelve months of issuance of the provisional license, the applicant 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.]

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