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HB 2561: psychologists; licensure requirements
Sponsor: Representative Dunn, LD 13
House Engrossed

Overview

States that the Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation System is an acceptable accreditation for a psychology license applicant (Applicant).

History

An Applicant must have a doctoral degree from a higher education institution (Institution) in clinical or counseling psychology, school or educational psychology or any other subject area in applied psychology acceptable to the Board of Psychologist Examiners. Statute outlines specified requirements for an Institution's doctoral psychology program which include: 1) accreditation from regional accrediting agencies; 2) identifiable psychology faculty; and 3) a core program that requires certain graduate semester hours in certain content areas. Applicants are also required to acquire 3,000 hours of supervised professional work experience (A.R.S. § 32-2071).

Currently, an Applicant meets the requirements of statute if the Applicant earned a doctoral degree from a program that was accredited by the American Psychology Association, Office of Program Consultation and Accreditation at the time of graduation (A.R.S. § 32-2071.01).

Provisions

| 1. | States | that | the | Psychological | Clinical | Science | Accreditation | System | is | an | acceptable |
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| | accredi | itatior | n for | an Applicant. (S | Sec. 1) | | | | | | |

| ☐ Prop 105 (45 votes) | ☐ Prop 108 (40 votes) | ☐ Emergency (40 votes) | ☐ Fiscal Note | |
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