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SENATE BILL No. 189

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Citations Affected: IC 25-35.6; noncode.

Synopsis: Emergency communication disorder permits. Allows the department of education (department) to issue an emergency communication disorder permit to an individual to serve the needs of certain students who are eligible for speech and language services. Provides that the director of a graduate program in communication disorders shall confirm to the department that an individual is complying with certain emergency communication disorder permit requirements. Requires the Indiana professional licensing agency, in consultation with the department of education and the speech-language pathology and audiology board to: (1) examine the requirements for licensure as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist in Indiana; and (2) not later than July 1, 2020, issue to the general assembly a report containing recommendations for streamlining the process for obtaining a license as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist in Indiana.

Effective: Upon passage.

**Becker, Leising, Raatz, Melton,
Kruse**

January 3, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.
January 17, 2019, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.
January 22, 2019, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.

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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 25-35.6-1-8.6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 8.6. (a) The department of**
4 **education may issue an emergency communication disorder permit**
5 **to an individual, as necessary, to serve the needs of students who**
6 **are eligible for speech and language services under the federal**
7 **Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (20**
8 **U.S.C. 1400 et seq.).**
9 (b) To be eligible to receive an emergency communication
10 disorder permit, an individual must:
11 (1) have a bachelor's degree in speech, language, and hearing
12 sciences or an equivalent bachelor's degree in this subject
13 area; and
14 (2) be enrolled, and have submitted a verified plan of study, in
15 a graduate program in communication disorders.
16 (c) The director of a graduate program in communication
17 disorders shall, at the end of each semester or its equivalent,

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1 confirm to the department of education, in a manner prescribed by
2 the department of education, that an individual described in
3 subsection (b) who:

4 (1) is enrolled in the graduate program; and

5 (2) holds an emergency communication disorder permit;
6 complies with subsection (b)(2).

7 (d) An individual with an emergency communication disorder
8 permit may not provide services beyond the scope of the
9 individual's education and training.

10 (e) An individual who is issued an emergency communication
11 disorder permit shall have accessibility to a licensed
12 speech-language pathologist in order to collaborate on the
13 provision of services at no additional cost to the school corporation.

14 (f) An individual with an emergency communication disorder
15 permit may not use a title that states or implies that the individual
16 is a licensed speech-language pathologist.

17 (g) This section expires June 30, 2021.

18 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The Indiana
19 professional licensing agency, in consultation with the department
20 of education and the speech-language pathology and audiology
21 board, shall:

22 (1) examine the requirements for licensure as a
23 speech-language pathologist or audiologist in Indiana; and

24 (2) not later than July 1, 2020, issue to the general assembly
25 a report containing recommendations for amendment of
26 IC 25-35.6 to streamline the process for obtaining a license as
27 a speech-language pathologist or audiologist in Indiana.

28 The report issued to the general assembly under this SECTION
29 must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

30 (b) This SECTION expires December 31, 2020.

31 SECTION 3. An emergency is declared for this act.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 189, 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 1, between lines 15 and 16, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"(c) The director of a graduate program in communication disorders shall, at the end of each semester or its equivalent, confirm to the department of education, in a manner prescribed by the department of education, that an individual described in subsection (b) who:

(1) is enrolled in the graduate program; and

(2) holds an emergency communication disorder permit;

complies with subsection (b)(2)."

Page 1, line 16, delete "(c)" and insert "(d)".

Page 2, line 2, delete "(d)" and insert "(e)".

Page 2, line 6, delete "(e)" and insert "(f)".

Page 2, between lines 8 and 9, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"(g) This section expires June 30, 2021."

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 189 as introduced.)

RAATZ, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0.

 SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senate Bill 189 be amended to read as follows:

Page 2, between lines 17 and 18, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The Indiana professional licensing agency, in consultation with the department of education and the speech-language pathology and audiology board, shall:

(1) examine the requirements for licensure as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist in Indiana; and

(2) not later than July 1, 2020, issue to the general assembly

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a report containing recommendations for amendment of IC 25-35.6 to streamline the process for obtaining a license as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist in Indiana.

The report issued to the general assembly under this SECTION must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

(b) This SECTION expires December 31, 2020."

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to SB 189 as printed January 18, 2019.)

SPARTZ

