State of South Dakota

NINETY-FOURTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2019

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SENATE BILL NO. 146

Introduced by: Senator Heinert and Representative Saba

1	FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions regarding licenses for speech-
2	language pathology services.
3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
4	Section 1. That § 36-37-19 be amended to read:
5	36-37-19. Any person who is employed as a paraprofessional providing speech-language
6	pathology services under the direct supervision of a speech-language pathologist who holds a
7	speech-language pathologist certificate from the South Dakota Department of Education as of
8	July 1, 2012, and does not otherwise meet the qualifications set forth in this chapter may apply
9	for and shall be granted a speech-language pathology assistant license and may continue to
10	practice as a speech-language pathology assistant. This exception expires July 1, 2020, at which
11	time all speech-language pathology assistants shall meet the requirements of this chapter.
12	The board shall issue a speech-pathology assistant license to a paraprofessional applicant
13	who:
14	(1) Has been continuously employed providing speech-language pathology services since
15	July 1, 2012;

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- 1 (2) Submits an application, upon a form prescribed by the board;
- 2 (3) Pays the application fee; and
- 3 (4) Has committed no act for which disciplinary action is justified.