

ACT 7

H.B. NO. 1906

A Bill for an Act Relating to Licensing of Psychologists.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 465-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending the definition of “professional psychology training program” to read as follows: ““Professional psychology training program” means a doctoral training program that includes (1) and (2), or (1) and (3) of the following:

- (1) Is a planned program of study which reflects an integration of the science and practice of psychology including practica and internship; and
- (2) Is designated as a doctoral program in psychology by the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards and the National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology or is accredited by [the American Psychological Association or] the Canadian Psychological Association; or
- (3) Is offered in a regionally accredited institution of higher education.”

SECTION 2. Section 465-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

“(a) Every applicant for a license as a psychologist shall submit evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant meets the following requirements:

- (1) The applicant for licensure shall possess a doctoral degree from [a]:
 - (A) An American Psychological Association approved program in clinical psychology; or

- (B) A professional psychology training program, awarded by an institution of higher education, or from a regionally accredited institution;
- (2) The applicant for licensure shall demonstrate that the applicant has completed [two years] one year of post doctoral supervised experience in health service in psychology, and:
 - (A) An internship approved by the American Psychological Association; or
 - (B) One year of supervised experience in health service in psychology, [of which at least one year is] in an internship or residency program in an organized health service training program[, and one year is post doctoral]; and
- (3) The applicant for licensure has passed a written examination as may be prescribed by the board.”

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved April 6, 2000.)