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psychologists; licensure requirements

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CHAPTER 237
HOUSE BILL 2561

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 32-2071.01, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE
STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGIST EXAMINERS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 32-2071.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended
3 to read:

4 32-2071.01. Requirements for licensure; remediation;
5 credentials

6 A. An applicant for licensure shall demonstrate to the board's
7 satisfaction that the applicant:

8 1. Has met the education and training qualifications for licensure
9 prescribed in section 32-2071 or subsection D of this section.

10 2. Has passed any examination or examinations required by section
11 32-2072.

12 3. Has a professional record that indicates that the applicant has
13 not committed any act or engaged in any conduct that constitutes grounds
14 for disciplinary action against a licensee pursuant to this chapter.

15 4. Has not had a license or a certificate to practice psychology
16 refused, revoked, suspended or restricted by a state, territory, district
17 or country for reasons that relate to unprofessional conduct.

18 5. Has not voluntarily surrendered a license in another regulatory
19 jurisdiction in the United States or Canada while under investigation for
20 conduct that relates to unprofessional conduct.

21 6. Does not have a complaint, allegation or investigation pending
22 before another regulatory jurisdiction in the United States or Canada that
23 relates to unprofessional conduct.

24 B. If the board finds that an applicant committed an act or engaged
25 in conduct that would constitute grounds for disciplinary action in this
26 state, or if the board or any jurisdiction has taken disciplinary action
27 against an applicant, the board may issue a license if the board first
28 determines to its satisfaction that the act or conduct has been corrected,
29 monitored or resolved. If the act or conduct has not been resolved before
30 issuing a license, the board must determine to its satisfaction that
31 mitigating circumstances exist that prevent its resolution.

32 C. An applicant for licensure meets the requirements of section
33 32-2071, subsection A, paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8 if the applicant
34 earned a doctoral degree from a program that was accredited by the
35 American psychological association, office of program consultation and
36 accreditation, OR THE PSYCHOLOGICAL CLINICAL SCIENCE ACCREDITATION SYSTEM
37 at the time of graduation.

38 D. An applicant for licensure who is licensed to practice
39 psychology at the independent level in another licensing jurisdiction of
40 the United States or Canada meets the requirements of subsection A,
41 paragraph 1 of this section if the applicant meets any of the following
42 requirements:

- 1 1. Holds a certificate of professional qualification in psychology
2 in good standing issued by the association of state and provincial
3 psychology boards or its successor.
- 4 2. Is currently credentialed by the national register of health
5 service providers in psychology or its successor and submits evidence of
6 having practiced psychology independently at the doctoral level for a
7 minimum of five years.
- 8 3. Is a diplomate of the American board of professional psychology.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 16, 2021.

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