

HOUSE No. 2061

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act relative to speech language pathologists..

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding sections 138 to 147 inclusive, of Chapter 112 of the
2 Massachusetts General Laws or any other law to the contrary, the board of licensure for speech-
3 language pathology and audiology (“the board”) shall waive the requirements set forth in
4 subclause (b) of clause (2) and clause (3) of section one hundred and forty-four of chapter one
5 hundred twelve of the General Laws for applicants who were actively engaged in the practice of
6 speech-language pathology in the commonwealth before January 6, 1983 upon proof of
7 professional practice satisfactory to the board. The board shall also waive the requirements set
8 forth in clause (3) of said section one hundred and forty-four of said chapter one hundred and
9 twelve for applicants who were actively engaged in the practice of audiology in the
10 commonwealth before January 6, 1983 upon proof of professional practice satisfactory to the
11 board. The board shall waive the examination requirements set forth in clause (4) of said section
12 one hundred and forty-four of said chapter one hundred and twelve for applicants who were
13 actively engaged in the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology in the
14 commonwealth before January 6, 1983.

15 SECTION 2. All persons who were actively engaged in the practice of speech-language
16 pathology or audiology in the commonwealth before January 6, 1983 shall apply for a license in
17 speech-language pathology or audiology within one year after the effective date of this act.

18 SECTION 3. The provisions of this act shall take effect upon its passage.