

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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CHAPTER 326
HOUSE BILL 538

AN ACT TO AMEND THE EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE
OF PRACTICING PSYCHOLOGISTS AND TO ALLOW LICENSURE OF
PSYCHOLOGISTS TRAINED IN FOREIGN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 90-270.11(a)(1)c, is rewritten to read as follows:

"c. Has received a doctoral degree based on a planned and directed program of studies in psychology from an accredited educational institution; and subsequent to receiving a doctoral degree has had at least two years of acceptable and appropriate supervised experience germane to his/her area of practice as a psychologist. The Board shall adopt rules and regulations implementing and defining these provisions, including but not limited to such factors as residence in the program, internship and related field experiences, numbers of course credits, course content, numbers and qualifications of faculty, and program identification and identity."

Sec. 2. G.S. 90-270.11 is amended by adding thereto a new subsection (d) to read as follows:

"(d) Foreign Graduates. Applicants trained in institutions outside the United States, applying for licensure at either the practicing psychologist or psychological associate level, must show satisfactory evidence of training and degrees equivalent to those required of applicants trained within the United States, pursuant to Board rules and regulations."

Sec. 3. This act shall become effective on July 1, 1987, except that applicants applying for licensure as practicing psychologists on or before July 1, 1993, who receive their degrees after July 1, 1987, and who were enrolled in doctoral training programs on or before December 31, 1987, and applicants applying for licensure as practicing psychologists on or before July 1, 1989, shall be evaluated according to statutory provisions and Board rules and regulations in effect on June 30, 1987.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 9th day of June, 1987.