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## House Bill No. 4417

(By Delegates Douglas and Kuhn)



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AN ACT to amend and reenact section fifteen, article thirty-two, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to speech-language pathology and audiology license renewal; allowing the board to establish continuing education hours by legislative rule; and deleting obsolete language.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

That section fifteen, article thirty-two, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

### **ARTICLE 32. SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS AND AUDIOLOGISTS.**

#### **§30-32-15. License renewal.**

- 1 (a) Licenses issued under this article shall expire every two
- 2 years;

3 (b) Every person licensed under this bill shall:

4 (1) Pay an amount established by the board by legislative  
5 rule in order for his or her license to be renewed;

6 (2) Submit an application for renewal on a form prescribed  
7 by the board;

8 (3) Meet any other requirements the board establishes as  
9 conditions for license renewal; and

10 (4) Engage in continuing education activities, as set forth in  
11 legislative rule, whose content is directly related to the profes-  
12 sional growth and development of speech-language pathologists  
13 and audiologists. The following are examples of ways in which  
14 these hours may be obtained:

15 (i) Short courses, mini-seminars and teleconferences of the  
16 American speech-language-hearing association;

17 (ii) Educational sessions of the West Virginia speech-  
18 language-hearing association;

19 (iii) Educational sessions provided within the licensee's  
20 work setting; or

21 (iv) Any other activities approved by the board.

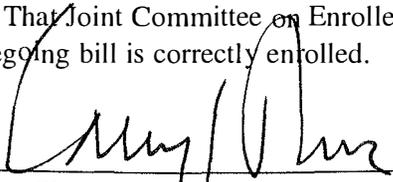
22 (c) Licensees are granted a grace period of thirty days after  
23 the expiration of their licenses in which to renew retroactively  
24 as long as they otherwise are entitled to have their licenses  
25 renewed and pay to the board the renewal fee and any late fee  
26 set by the board.

27 (d) A suspended license is subject to expiration and may be  
28 renewed as provided in this article, but such renewal shall not  
29 entitle the licensee, while the license remains suspended and

30 until it is reinstated, to engage in the licensed activity, or in any  
31 other conduct or activity in violation of the order of judgment  
32 by which the license was suspended.

33 (e) A license revoked on disciplinary grounds is subject to  
34 expiration as provided in this article, but it may not be renewed.  
35 If such license is reinstated after its expiration, the licensee, as  
36 a condition of reinstatement, shall pay a reinstatement fee that  
37 shall equal the renewal fee in effect on the last regular renewal  
38 date immediately preceding the date of reinstatement, plus any  
39 late fee set by the board by legislative rule.

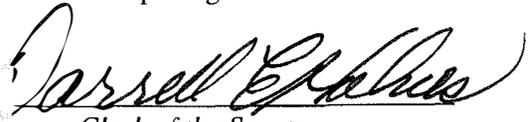
That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

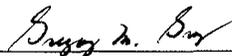
  
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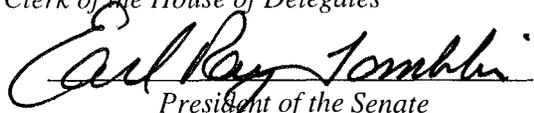
  
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Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within- is approved this the 2nd  
day of April, 2002.

  
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