

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **78th General Assembly**  
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4 **By: Senator Bradford**

# A Bill

**SENATE BILL 461**

## **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT AUDIOLOGISTS SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED  
9 TO BE LICENSED BY THE HEARING AID DISPENSERS BOARD; AND  
10 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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14 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding Act 46 of 1991 or any other law to the  
15 contrary, no person who is licensed by the State Board of Examiners in Speech  
16 Pathology and Audiology under Arkansas Code 17-97-301 et seq. as an  
17 audiologist in this state shall be required to be licensed by the Arkansas  
18 Board of Hearing Aid Dispensers, however, the Board of Examiners in Speech  
19 Pathology and Audiology shall, no later than July 1 of each year, provide to  
20 the Board of Hearing Aid Dispensers a list of all audiologists licensed by the  
21 Board of Examiners in Speech Pathology and Audiology. *The State Board of*  
22 *Examiners in Speech Pathology and Audiology shall promulgate regulations*  
23 *governing the dispensing of hearing aids by audiologists licensed by the Board*  
24 *provided that such regulations shall be no less stringent than the regulations*  
25 *adopted by the Arkansas Board of Hearing Aid Dispensers for the dispensing of*  
26 *hearing aids.*

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28 SECTION 2. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature  
29 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
30 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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32 SECTION 3. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to  
33 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
34 other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without  
35 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this

1 Act are declared to be severable.

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3 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are  
4 hereby repealed.

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