

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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1 State of Arkansas

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HOUSE BILL 1250

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10 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

11 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE INDEPENDENT PRACTICE OF
12 PSYCHOLOGY BY QUALIFIED PERSONS AT THE MASTER'S
13 LEVEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

15 **Subtitle**

16 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE INDEPENDENT PRACTICE
17 OF PSYCHOLOGY BY QUALIFIED PERSONS AT
18 THE MASTER'S LEVEL.

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

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23 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-97-102(b)(2), concerning levels of*
24 *practice of psychology, is amended to add additional subdivisionS to read as*
25 *follows:*

26 *(D)(i) A psychological examiner licensed before December*
27 *31, 1997, shall be granted independent practice except in neuropsychological*
28 *assessment and projective personality assessment upon the Arkansas Psychology*
29 *Board receiving a letter requesting independent practice and a revised*
30 *statement of intent.*

31 *(ii) No additional hours of clinical supervision*
32 *shall be required for a license granted under subdivision (b)(2)(D)(i) of*
33 *this section.*

34 *(E) A psychological examiner licensed after December 31,*
35 *1997, shall be privileged to practice independently except in*



1 neuropsychological assessment and projective personality assessment, if the
2 person:

3 (i) Has completed a Master's degree program in
4 psychology;

5 (ii) Has completed three thousand (3,000) hours of
6 approved clinical supervised training after making application for
7 independent practice; and

8 (iii) Has filed a revised statement of intent with
9 the board and has provided documentation of having received appropriate
10 training and experience in those areas requested for independent practice.

11 (F) After December 31, 2013, no new psychological examiner
12 license shall be issued.

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14 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 17-97-303, concerning qualifications for
15 licensure as a psychological examiner, is amended to add an additional
16 subsection to read as follows:

17 (d)(1)(A) A psychological examiner licensed before December 31, 1997,
18 shall be granted independent practice except in neuropsychological assessment
19 and projective personality assessment upon the Arkansas Psychology Board
20 receiving a letter requesting independent practice and a revised statement of
21 intent.

22 (B) No additional hours of clinical supervision shall be
23 required for a license granted under subdivision (b)(2)(D)(i) of this
24 section.

25 (2) A psychological examiner licensed after December 31, 1997,
26 shall be privileged to practice independently except in neuropsychological
27 assessment and projective personality assessment, if the person:

28 (A) Has completed a Master's degree program in psychology;

29 (B) Has completed three thousand (3,000) hours of approved
30 clinical supervised training after making application for independent
31 practice; and

32 (C) Has filed a revised statement of intent with the board
33 and has provided documentation of having received appropriate training and
34 experience in those areas requested for independent practice.

35 (3) After December 31, 2013, no new psychological examiner
36 license shall be issued.

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