

ACT 285

S.B. NO. 1278

A Bill for an Act Relating to Psychology.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

SECTION 1. Chapter 465, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

**"§465- Licensure; educational requirements.** Notwithstanding section 465-7(2), an applicant for licensure may be held to satisfy the requirements of that section if the following conditions are met:

- (1) The doctoral degree was conferred and the applicant filed an application with the board in 1985;
- (2) The doctoral degree conferred in 1985 was from a training program approved by the American Psychological Association (APA) or from a regionally accredited institution of higher education and also meets the experiential requirements for inclusion in the National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology; provided that the applicant whose doctoral degree was conferred and application filed with the board in 1985 shall be permitted to meet this requirement by providing documents and evidence adequate to the satisfaction of the board to establish that the applicant's formal education is equivalent to a doctoral degree in psychology granted by a regionally accredited institution of higher education. The board shall consider the certification of the graduate division of the University of Hawaii that the applicant's degree is equivalent to a doctoral degree granted from a regionally accredited institution."

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.<sup>1</sup>

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval and shall be repealed on June 30, 1990.

(Approved June 25, 1987.)

**Note**

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.