ACT 265

H.B. NO. 3937

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- Public service employment.** (a) Notwithstanding other provisions in this chapter the director of health may certify that there is an absence or shortage of licensed psychologists for government employment in a particular locality. Upon receiving certification of the absence or shortage, the board shall authorize the director to hire and retain persons currently in government employment to fill the absence or shortage; provided persons hired or retained have been duly licensed as a psychologist by written examination under the laws of another state or territory of the United States prior to 1977.

(b) Persons hired and retained under this section shall be exempt from the requirements of this chapter for no more than eighteen months while employed in a government position that the director continues to certify as subject to an absence or shortage.

(c) In no case shall persons hired and retained under the provisions of this section provide private patient care for a fee."

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

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 18, 1992.)

## Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.