

1 House BILL NO. 385
 2 INTRODUCED BY Menalon Ford

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 4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION
 5 66-3208, BY CHANGING REQUIREMENTS FOR A PSYCHOLOGIST LICENSE
 6 PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1976."

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 8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

9 Section 1. Section 66-3208, R.C.M. 1947, is amended to
 10 read as follows:

11 "66-3208. Qualifications and requirements for
 12 licensure--reciprocity. (1) Application for examination for
 13 licensing a psychologist shall be made on forms prescribed
 14 by the board.

15 (2) The board shall license as a psychologist any
 16 person who pays the prescribed fee, passes the prescribed
 17 examination, and submits evidence by oath that he:

18 (a) Is a resident of or shows satisfactory evidence of
 19 intent to become a resident of this state at the time he is
 20 licensed;

21 (b) Is at least eighteen (18) years of age;

22 (c) Is of good moral character;

23 (d) Has received a doctoral degree based on a program
 24 of studies, primarily psychological in content, from an
 25 accredited college or university having an appropriate

1 graduate program;

2 (e) Has completed at the time of application a minimum
 3 of two (2) years of experience in the practice, research, or
 4 teaching of psychology. One (1) year of this experience
 5 shall be post-doctoral.

6 (3) After January 1, 1976, all applicants must meet
 7 the requirements set forth in subsection (2) of this section
 8 and shall pass an examination administered by the board.

9 (4) Prior to January 1, 1976, a license may be issued
 10 to an individual who has a master's degree, at least five
 11 (5) years experience in psychology (two years must be
 12 post-masters) and is employed as a psychologist under a
 13 federal, state, county, municipal, public or private agency
 14 or private practitioner, provided he has met the
 15 requirements of paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of subsection
 16 (2) of this section.

17 ~~(4)~~ (5) A license without examination may be issued to
 18 a psychologist licensed or certified in another state where
 19 the licensing or certification requirements are
 20 substantially equivalent to the requirements of this act, or
 21 to a psychologist who is a diplomate in good standing of the
 22 American board of professional psychology."

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Objection Raised to
Adverse Committee Report

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"66-3208. Qualifications and requirements for licensure--reciprocity. (1) Application for examination for licensing a psychologist shall be made on forms prescribed by the board.

(2) The board shall ISSUE THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF license as a psychologist TO any person who pays the prescribed fee, passes the prescribed examination, and submits evidence by oath that he:

(a) Is a resident of or shows satisfactory evidence of intent to become a resident of this state at the time he is licensed;

(b) Is at least eighteen (18) years of age;

(c) Is of good moral character; AND

~~(d) Has received a doctoral degree based on a program of studies, primarily psychological in content, from an~~

~~accredited college or university having an appropriate graduate program;~~

~~(e) Has completed at the time of application a minimum of two (2) years of experience in the practice, research, or teaching of psychology, one (1) year of this experience shall be post-doctoral;~~

(D) HAS THE REQUISITE EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE FOR HIS LICENSE LEVEL, AS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 66-3208.1, R.C.M. 1947.

(3) After January 1, 1976, all applicants must meet the requirements set forth in subsection (2) of this section and shall pass an examination administered by the board.

(4) Prior to January 1, 1976, a LEVEL II license may be issued WITHOUT EXAMINATION to an individual who has a master's degree, at least five (5) years experience in psychology (two years must be post-masters) and is employed as a psychologist under a federal, state, ~~county, municipal, public or private~~ LOCAL PUBLIC agency or private practitioner, provided he has met the requirements of paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of subsection (2) of this section.

~~(3) (5)~~ A license without examination may be issued to a psychologist licensed or certified in another state where the licensing or certification requirements are substantially equivalent to the requirements of this act, or

1 to a psychologist who is a diplomate in good standing of the
2 American board of professional psychology."

3 SECTION 2. THERE IS A NEW R.C.M. SECTION NUMBERED
4 66-3208.1 THAT READS AS FOLLOWS:

5 66-3208.1. License -- Levels I, II, and III. (1) The
6 board may issue three (3) different Levels of licenses to
7 practice psychology. These shall be known as a Level I
8 (licensed consulting psychologist), Level II (licensed
9 psychologist), or a Level III (licensed assisting
10 psychologist) license.

11 (2) A licensed consulting psychologist, in order to
12 qualify for a Level I license, shall have received a
13 doctoral degree based upon a program of studies, primarily
14 psychological in content, from an accredited college or
15 university having an appropriate graduate program, and shall
16 have completed a minimum of two (2) years of experience in
17 the practice, research or teaching of psychology, one (1)
18 year of which shall be post-doctoral.

19 (3) A licensed psychologist, in order to qualify for a
20 Level II license, shall (a) have received a doctoral degree
21 as required for Level I, or (b) have received a master's
22 degree based upon a program primarily psychological in
23 content from an accredited college or university having an
24 appropriate graduate program and shall have subsequently
25 completed a minimum of three (3) years of experience in the

1 practice of psychology under the supervision of a licensed
2 consulting psychologist.

3 (4) A licensed assisting psychologist, in order to
4 qualify for a Level III license, shall (a) have received a
5 master's degree as required for Level II, or (b) shall have
6 received a bachelor's degree based upon a program of study
7 primarily psychological in content from an accredited
8 college or university and shall have subsequently completed
9 a minimum of two (2) years of training in psychology under
10 the supervision of a licensed clinical psychologist who
11 furnishes a written recommendation for the licensure of the
12 applicant.

13 SECTION 3. THERE IS A NEW R.C.M. SECTION NUMBERED
14 66-3208.2 THAT READS AS FOLLOWS:

15 66-3208.2. Restrictions upon practice of psychology. A
16 person may engage in the private practice of psychology only
17 if he

18 (1) holds a Level I license, or

19 (2) holds a Level II license and practices in
20 collaboration with a licensed clinical psychologist holding
21 a Level I license, except that a psychologist meeting Level
22 II qualifications and engaged in a private practice before
23 July 1, 1975, may continue such practice without being
24 limited by this subsection.

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