



Speech Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act

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Chapter 39

Section 1601 - Short Title

Chapter 39 of this title shall be known and may be cited as the "Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act."

Section 1602 - Purpose

It is hereby declared to be a policy of this state that, in order to safeguard the public health, safety and welfare, and to protect the public from being misled by incompetent, unscrupulous and unqualified persons, it is necessary to provide regulatory authority over persons offering speech-language pathology and audiology services to the public.

Section 1603 – Definitions

A. As used in the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act:

1. "Board" means the Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology;
2. "Person" means any individual, partnership, organization or corporation, except that only individuals may be licensed under the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act;
3. "Licensed speech-language pathologist" or "licensed audiologist" means an individual to whom a license has been issued pursuant to the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act, which license has not expired or has not been suspended or revoked;
4. "Speech-language pathologist" means any person who evaluates, examines, counsels or provides rehabilitative services for persons who have or are suspected of having a speech, voice and/or language disorder, and who meets the qualifications set forth in Section 1605 of this title. A speech-language pathologist is permitted to perform such basic audiometric tests and hearing therapy procedures as are consistent with such training;
5. "Speech, voice or language disorders" include, but are not limited to, any and all conditions that impede the normal process of human vocal communication;

6. "Practice of speech-language pathology" means the rendering or offering to render to any person or the public any speech, voice or language evaluation, examination, counseling or rehabilitation of or for persons who have or are suspected of having a speech, voice and/or language disorder, and/or representing oneself to be a speech-language pathologist;

7. "Audiologist" means any person who evaluates, examines, counsels or provides rehabilitative services for persons who have or are suspected of having a hearing disorder, and who meets the qualifications set forth in Section 1605 of this title. An audiologist also may provide consultation regarding noise control and hearing conservation, may conduct tests of vestibular function, may prepare ear impressions, and may provide evaluations of environment or equipment, including calibration, used in testing auditory functioning;

8. "Hearing disorders" include, but are not limited to, any or all conditions of decreased or impaired auditory function;

9. "Practice of audiology" means the rendering, or offering to render, to any person or the public, the evaluation, examination, counseling or rehabilitation of or for persons who have or are suspected of having a hearing disorder, and/or representing oneself to be an audiologist; and

10. "Hearing screening" means one or more procedures used to identify individuals who may have a hearing loss. Measurements of auditory thresholds are not included in hearing screening programs.

B. A person represents himself or herself to be a speech-language pathologist when such person holds himself or herself out to the public by any title or description of services incorporating the words "speech-language pathology", "speech-language pathologist", "speech pathology", "speech pathologist", "speech therapy", "speech therapist", "speech correction", "speech correctionist", "language therapy", "language therapist", "voice pathology", "voice pathologist", "voice therapy", "voice therapist", "logopedics", "logopedist", "communicology", "communicologist", "aphasiologist", "phoniatrist", "speech clinician", "speech clinic", "speech center" or any similar or related term or terms.

C. A person represents himself or herself to be an audiologist when such person holds himself or herself out to the public by any title or description of services incorporating the terms "audiology", "audiologist", "audiometry", "audiometrist", "hearing therapy", "hearing therapist", "hearing conservation", "hearing conservationist", "hearing clinician", "hearing clinic", "hearing center", "audiological", "audiometrics", or any similar or related term or terms.

D. The provision of speech-language pathology or audiology services in this state through telephonic, electronic or other means, regardless of the location of the speech-language pathologist shall constitute the practice of speech-language pathology and/or audiology and shall require licensure in this state.

Section 1604 - License Required - Exceptions and Exemptions - Designation as Practitioner of the Healing Art

A. Except as otherwise provided by this section, no person shall practice speech-language pathology or audiology unless such person is licensed pursuant to the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act.

B. The Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act shall not be construed to prevent:

1. A person licensed under any other law of this state from engaging in the profession or occupation for which such person is licensed, provided such person does not represent himself or herself to be a speech-language pathologist or audiologist;
 2. An employee of the federal government, state, county or municipal government, or an agency or political subdivision thereof, from engaging in such employee's duties of employment;
 3. The hearing testing or any other act conducted by licensed physicians within the scope of their licensed profession or by persons conducting hearing tests or other acts under the direct supervision of the physician;
 4. The activities and services of a hearing-aid dealer or fitter so long as the activities and services of such dealer or fitter are limited to the selection, adaptation, distribution or sale of hearing aids, and the testing, instruction, and counseling pertaining thereto, as long as such hearing-aid dealer or fitter does not represent himself or herself to be an audiologist;
 5. A teacher of the deaf and hard of hearing, certified by the Oklahoma State Department of Education, or certified nationally by the Council on Education of the Deaf, from engaging in the profession for which such teacher is trained. The services of a teacher of the deaf and hard-of-hearing shall be directed solely to those persons having or suspected of having a hearing disorder;
 6. Any person not a resident of this state and who has not established offices in this state, from engaging in the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology in this state for a period that, in the aggregate, does not exceed seven (7) days in any calendar year, if such a person's education and experience is the substantial equivalent to that of a licensed speech-language pathologist or audiologist as described in Section 1605 of this title; and
 7. The activities of hearing screening programs which are conducted by employees or trained volunteers who are providing these services under the auspices of public or private charitable agencies.
- C. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a person licensed in this state to perform speech pathology or audiology services is hereby designated to be a practitioner of the healing art for purposes of making a referral for speech pathology or audiology services pursuant to the provisions of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Public Law 105-17, as amended, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

Section 1605 - Qualifications for Licensure

A. To be eligible for licensure by the Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology as a speech-language pathologist, the applicant must:

1. Hold not less than a master's degree, or the equivalent, with a major emphasis in speech-language pathology or audiology from a regionally accredited academic institution offering a graduate program in speech-language pathology or audiology that meets or exceeds prevailing national standards;
2. Submit evidence of completion of supervised clinical practicum experience that meets or exceeds prevailing national standards from a regionally accredited educational institution or its cooperating programs, the content of which shall be approved by the Board and delineated in the rules;

3. Submit evidence of completion of supervised postgraduate professional experience as approved by the Board and described in the rules;

4. Pass examinations approved by the Board, whether or not administered by the Board; application for examination for a license or for a license without examination shall be upon forms prescribed by the Board; the Board may require that the application be verified; the license fee, which shall include an examination fee of not to exceed Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00), shall accompany the application; the cost of examinations administered by the Board shall be included in the examination fee; the Board shall determine the subject and scope of the examinations, and shall provide for examinations to qualified applicants at least twice a year; an applicant who fails the examination may be reexamined at a subsequent examination upon payment of another examination fee. Only the Board has the power to determine whether an applicant's examination has been passed or failed;

5. Attest to their status as either a United States citizen, a United States noncitizen national or a qualified alien;

6. Have not committed any acts described in Section 1619 of this title for which disciplinary action may be justified; and

7. Be of good moral character.

B. To be eligible for initial licensure by the Board as an audiologist, the applicant must:

1. Through December 31, 2006, hold not less than a master's degree, or the equivalent, with major emphasis in audiology from a regionally accredited academic institution offering a graduate or postbaccalaureate professional degree program in audiology that meets or exceeds prevailing national standards. After December 31, 2006, each audiology applicant shall hold not less than a postbaccalaureate residential or a post-master's distance education professional Doctor of Audiology degree (Au.D.), a Doctor of Philosophy degree (Ph.D.) with emphasis in audiology, or its equivalent as determined by the Board, from a regionally accredited academic institution;

2. Through December 31, 2006, submit evidence of completion of supervised clinical practicum experience that meets or exceeds prevailing national standards from a regionally accredited educational institution or its cooperating programs, the content of which shall be approved by the Board and delineated in the rules. After December 31, 2006, applicants applying with a residential Doctor of Audiology professional degree (Au.D) must demonstrate preparation that includes three years of didactic coursework and clinical education equivalent to a twelve-month, full-time clinical rotation or externship;

3. Through December 31, 2006, submit evidence of completion of supervised postgraduate professional experience, as approved by the Board and described in the rules. After December 31, 2006, applicants will be required to present to the Board only a copy of the Doctor of Audiology diploma along with a transcript demonstrating clinical experience equivalent to a twelve-month, full-time clinical rotation or externship, a copy of the Doctor of Philosophy diploma with an emphasis in audiology and a transcript reflecting a twelve-month, full-time clinical rotation or externship, or the equivalent as determined by the Board, from an accredited academic institution in order to demonstrate completion of the clinical rotation or externship requirement;

4. Pass examinations approved by the Board, whether or not administered by the Board; application for examination for a license or for a license without examination shall be upon forms prescribed by the Board; the Board may require that the application be verified; the license fee, which shall include an examination fee not to exceed Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00), shall accompany the application; the cost of

examinations administered by the Board shall be included in the examination fee; the Board shall determine the subject and scope of the examinations and shall provide for examinations to qualified applicants at least twice a year; an applicant who fails the examination may be reexamined at a subsequent examination upon payment of another examination fee. Only the Board has the power to determine whether an applicant's examination has been passed or failed;

5. Attest to their status as either a United States citizen, a United States noncitizen national or a qualified alien;

6. Have not committed any acts described in Section 1619 of this title for which disciplinary action may be justified; and

7. Be of good moral character.

C. To be eligible for licensure by the Board as an intern, the applicant must be in the process of fulfilling the supervised clinical experience required in paragraph 2 of subsection A of this section, or be a student, intern or resident in speech-language pathology or audiology, pursuing a course of study at an accredited university or college, or working in a training center recognized by the applicant's accredited university or college, if these activities and services constitute a part of the applicant's supervised course of study, and if such person is designated by such title as "speech-language pathology intern", "speech-language pathology trainee", "audiology intern", "audiology trainee" or other such title clearly indicating the training status appropriate to the applicant's level of training.

D. To be eligible for licensure by the Board as a speech-language pathology or audiology assistant, the applicant must be assisting in the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology while in the employ of and under the supervision of a licensed speech-language pathologist or audiologist, subject to the rules of the Board. The licensed speech-language pathologist or audiologist is legally and ethically responsible for the professional activities of such employees.

E. To be eligible for licensure by the Board as a speech-language pathology or audiology temporary license holder, the applicant must meet all the requirements specified in subsection A of this section. A temporary license will be issued following a credentials review, such temporary license being valid until the next regularly held Board meeting.

Section 1606 - Waiver of Examination Requirement

A. The Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology shall waive the examination and grant a license to applicants who present proof of current licensure in a state or country whose requirements for licensure are substantially equivalent to those of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act.

B. The Board shall waive the examination and grant a license to those who hold the Certificate of Clinical Competence of the American Speech and Hearing Association or its current equivalent in the area for which they are applying for licensure, provided the requirements for such certification are equivalent to or greater than those for licensure.

Section 1607 - Re-creation of Board of Examiners for Speech Pathology and Audiology - Members – Expenses

A. There is hereby re-created, to continue until July 1, 2006, in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Sunset Law, the Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology whose duty it is to administer the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act. The members of the Board shall be residents of this state and shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Board shall be composed of five (5) members consisting of three licensed speech-language pathologists or audiologists, provided that at least one of the three shall be a licensed speech-language pathologist and at least one a licensed audiologist; one otolaryngologist who is certified by the American Board of Otolaryngology and one lay member.

B. The members of the original Board shall serve the following terms: one member for one (1) year, two members for two (2) years, and two members for three (3) years. Thereafter, at the expiration of the term, or termination of the member's service for any reason, the Governor shall appoint each successor for a term of three (3) years, or for the remainder of an unexpired term. The successor for any of the three speech-language pathologists or audiologists will be selected from a list of five licensed speech-language pathologists or audiologists, furnished by the Oklahoma Speech-Language-Hearing Association. The re-creation of the Board shall not affect the staggered terms of office for Board members established with the original Board.

C. Before entering upon the duties of the member's office, each member of the Board shall take the Constitutional oath of office and file it with the Secretary of State.

D. Board members may be reappointed to serve one additional three-year term. Three (3) years after the termination of a previous appointment to the Board, a member may be reappointed for one additional three-year term.

E. Board members shall be reimbursed for travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as provided in the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

Section 1608 - Removal of Board Members

The Governor may remove any member of the Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology for misconduct, incompetence or neglect of duty, after giving the member a written statement of charges, and opportunity for a hearing.

Section 1609 - Meetings - Quorum - Secretary - Employees – Space

A. The Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology shall hold a regular annual meeting at its last meeting of the fiscal year at which it shall elect from its membership a chairman, a vice-chairman, and a secretary. Other regular meetings shall be held at such times as the rules of the Board may provide. Special meetings may be held at such times as may be deemed necessary or advisable by a majority of the Board members. At least one (1) week's notice of all meetings shall be given in a manner prescribed by the rules of the Board.

B. All meetings of the Board shall be open and public except that the Board may hold a closed executive session:

1. To prepare, approve, grade or administer examinations; and
2. Upon request of an applicant who fails an examination to prepare a response indicating the cause of the applicant's failure.

C. Three members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

D. An executive secretary shall be appointed by the Board, and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board. The Board may employ such other persons and may rent or purchase such space and equipment as it deems necessary or desirable to carry out the provisions of this act.

Section 1610 – Administration

A. The Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, in addition to the other powers and duties prescribed by the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act, shall have the power and duty to:

1. Regulate the practice of speech-language pathology and audiology in this state;
2. Examine the applicants and issue the appropriate licenses pursuant to the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act to applicants qualified in the practice of speech-language pathology and audiology;
3. Continue in effect, suspend, revoke, modify or deny, pursuant to the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act and such conditions as the Board may prescribe, licenses for the practice of speech-language pathology and audiology in this state;
4. Investigate complaints and hold hearings pursuant to the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act and the Administrative Procedures Act;
5. Initiate prosecutions against licensees in violation of the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act;
6. Reprimand or place on probation, or both, any holder of a license pursuant to the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act;
7. Adopt and promulgate standards of conduct for speech-language pathologists and audiologists consistent with accepted national standards;
8. Develop and promulgate rules necessary to effectuate the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act;
9. Enforce rules promulgated pursuant to the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act;
10. Communicate disciplinary actions to relevant state and federal authorities, to other state speech-language pathology and audiology licensing authorities requesting such information, and to other state and national professional associations requesting such information; and
11. Exercise all incidental powers and duties which are necessary and proper to effectuate the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act.

B. The conferral or enumeration of specific powers elsewhere in the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act shall not be construed as a limitation of the general functions conferred by this section.

C. No member of the Board shall be liable for civil action for any act performed in good faith in the performance of the member's duties as prescribed by law.

Section 1611 - Code of Ethics

A. The Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology shall publish a code of ethics. The code shall take into account the professional character of speech-language and hearing services, and shall be designed to protect the interests of the client and the public.

B. In developing and revising the code of ethics, the Board shall hold hearings where interested persons may be heard on the subject. In addition, the Board will take into account the ethical standards promulgated by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association.

Section 1612 - Seal - Official Records As Prima Facie Evidence

The Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology shall adopt a seal by which it shall authenticate the Board's proceedings. Copies of the proceedings, records and acts of the Board, and certificates purporting to relate the facts concerning such proceedings, records and acts, signed by the executive secretary and authenticated by said seal, shall be prima facie evidence in all courts of this state.

Section 1613 - Rules

In addition to the powers and duties granted to the Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology by other provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act, the Board shall promulgate rules, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this state, that are reasonably necessary to the conduct of its duties and proceedings.

Section 1614 - Speech Pathology and Audiology Licensing Fund

A. The executive secretary of the Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology shall receive and account for all monies derived from the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act. The executive secretary of the Board shall pay these monies monthly to the State Treasurer who shall keep them in a separate fund to be known as the "Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Fund".

B. All monies received in the fund are hereby appropriated to the Board. Monies may be paid out of the fund upon proper voucher approved by the chair of the Board, and attested by the executive secretary of the Board.

C. All monies in the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Fund at the end of each fiscal year, being the unexpended balance of such fund, shall be carried forward and placed to the credit of the fund for the succeeding fiscal year.

D. Only the Board shall make expenditures from the fund for any purpose that is reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act.

E. No money shall ever be paid from the General Revenue Fund for the administration of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act.

F. Any expenses or liabilities incurred by the Board shall not constitute a charge on any state funds other than the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Fund.

Section 1615 - Repealed by Laws 1998, c. 202, § 24, eff. July 1, 1998

Section 1615.1 - Fixing of Fees

A. All licensing fees, renewal fees, and replacement fees shall be amounts fixed by the Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology. The Board shall fix the amount of the fees so that the total fees collected will be sufficient to meet the expenses of administering the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act, and so there are no unnecessary surpluses in the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Fund.

B. The Board shall not fix a license fee at an amount in excess of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), a renewal fee at an amount in excess of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), or a fee for the issuance of a license to replace a license which was lost, destroyed, mutilated, or revoked at an amount in excess of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00). The fees shall accompany the respective application.

Section 1616.1 - Authority to Establish Requirements of Continuing Education for Renewal of Licensure

The Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology is hereby authorized to establish requirements of continuing education as a condition for the renewal of licensure of speech-language pathologists and audiologists. The Board may assess a reasonable fee to be paid by entities sponsoring continuing education programs. Rules concerning accreditation of continuing education programs and other educational experience, and the assignment of credit for participation therein must be promulgated by the Board at least one (1) year prior to implementation of continuing education.

Section 1617 - List of Licensees - Publication - Distribution

The Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology shall publish a list of all licensed speech-language pathologists and licensed audiologists, including the name and business address of each licensed person, the area in which the person is licensed, and such other information as the Board deems appropriate. This list will be published on the web site for the Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology in printable format and updated quarterly. A copy of the list will be placed on file with the Secretary of State annually. Copies will be furnished to licensees and the public upon request.

Section 1618 - Fees as Exclusive

The fees promulgated by the Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology shall be exclusive and no municipality shall have the right to require any person licensed under the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act to furnish any bond, pass any examination or pay any license fee or occupational tax.

Section 1619 - Suspension or Revocation of License - Grounds - Notice and Hearing - Appeal - Restoration

A. The Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology may impose separately, or in combination, any of the following disciplinary actions on a licensee after formal disciplinary action as provided in the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act: suspend or revoke a license,

issue a letter of reprimand, impose probationary conditions, impose an administrative fine not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), and assess reasonable costs. Disciplinary actions may be taken by the Board upon proof that the licensee:

1. Has been guilty of fraud or deceit in connection with the person's services rendered as a speech-language pathologist and/or audiologist;
2. Has aided or abetted a person who is not a licensed speech-language pathologist and/or audiologist and who is not an employee of and under the supervision of a licensed speech-language pathologist or audiologist and subject to the rules of the Board, in illegally engaging in the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology within this state;
3. Has been guilty of unprofessional conduct as defined by the rules established by the Board or has violated the code of ethics made and published by the Board;
4. Has used fraud or deception in applying for a license or in passing an examination provided for in the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act;
5. Has been grossly negligent in the practice of the person's profession;
6. Has willfully violated any of the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act or any rules promulgated pursuant thereto;
7. Has violated federal, state or local laws relating to the profession. A copy of the record of conviction, certified by the clerk of the court entering the conviction, shall be conclusive evidence of conviction; or
8. Has been convicted or has pled guilty or nolo contendere to a felony or to a crime involving moral turpitude, whether or not any appeal or other proceeding is pending to have the conviction or plea set aside. A copy of the record of conviction, certified by the clerk of the court entering the conviction, shall be conclusive evidence of conviction.

B. 1. No disciplinary action shall be imposed until after a hearing before the Board. A notice of at least thirty (30) days shall be served, either personally or by certified mail, to the licensee charged, stating the time and place of the hearing, and setting forth the ground or grounds constituting the charges against the licensee. The licensee shall be entitled to be heard in such person's defense either in person or by counsel, and may produce testimony and may testify in the person's own behalf.

2. A record of such hearing shall be taken and preserved.

3. The hearing may be adjourned from time to time. If, after due receipt of notice of a hearing, the licensee shall be unable to appear for good cause shown, then a continuance shall be granted by the Board. The time allowed shall be at the discretion of the Board, but in no instance shall it be less than two (2) weeks from the originally scheduled date of the hearing.

4. If a licensee pleads guilty, or if upon hearing the charges, a majority of the Board finds them to be true, the Board shall impose its disciplinary action against the licensee. The Board shall record its findings and order in writing.

C. 1. The Board, through its chairman or Vice-chairman, may administer oaths and may compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of physical evidence before it from witnesses upon whom

process is served anywhere within the state, as in civil cases in the district court, by subpoena issued over the signature of the chairman or vice-chairman and the seal of the Board.

2. Upon request by an accused speech-language pathologist and/or audiologist, and statement under oath that the testimony or evidence is reasonably necessary to the person's defense, the Board shall use this subpoena power in behalf of the accused speech-language pathologist and/or audiologist.

3. The subpoenas shall be served, and a return of service thereof made, in the same manner as a subpoena is served out of the district courts in this state, and as a return in such case is made.

4. If a person fails and refuses to attend in obedience to such subpoena, or refuses to be sworn or examined or answer any legally proper question propounded by any member of said Board or any attorney or licensee upon permission from said Board, such person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, may be punished by a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) or by confinement in the county jail not to exceed ninety (90) days, or both.

D. 1. Any person who feels aggrieved by reason of the imposition of disciplinary action may appeal to the Board for a review of the case or may seek judicial review pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act.

2. The suit shall be filed against the Board as defendant, and service of process shall be upon either the chairman or executive secretary of the Board.

3. The judgment of the district court may be appealed to the Supreme Court of Oklahoma in the same manner as other civil cases.

E. Upon a vote of three of its members, the Board may restore a license which has been revoked or reduce the period of suspension.

Section 1620 - Jurisdiction of District Court

The Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, the Attorney General or the local district attorney may apply to the district court in the county in which a violation of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act is alleged to have occurred for an order enjoining or restraining the Commission or continuance of such alleged violations. Thereupon, the court has jurisdiction over the proceedings, and may grant such temporary or permanent injunction or restraining order, without bond, as it deems just and proper.

B. The remedy provided by this section is in addition to, and independent of, any other remedies available for the enforcement of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act.

Section 1621 - Penalties

Any person who represents himself or herself to be a speech-language pathologist and/or audiologist or engages in the practice of speech-language pathology and/or audiology within this state without being licensed or exempted in accordance with the provisions of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Licensing Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or be confined to jail for not more than six (6) months, or both such fine or confinement. Each day of violation is a separate offense.

Section 1622 - Annual Reports

The Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology shall make an annual report to the Governor, not later than the fifteenth day of November of each year. The report shall contain an account of all monies received, licenses issued, suspended or revoked, and all expenditures made by the Board in the twelve (12) months prior to said date.