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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1471

5 By: Representative Wooldridge
6 By: Senator Flippo
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE EXPIRATION DATE OF ALL LICENSES
10 OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE
11 PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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15 TO AMEND THE EXPIRATION DATE OF ALL
16 LICENSES OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN
17 SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-100-305(a)-(c), concerning the annual
22 review of licenses issued by the Board of Examiners in Speech-Language
23 Pathology and Audiology, are amended to read as follows:

24 (a) Licenses issued under this chapter expire and become invalid ~~at~~
25 ~~12:00 midnight, June 30, of each year~~ if not renewed each year.

26 (b) To maintain a license, a person licensed under this chapter shall
27 pay a fee for renewal of license to the Board of Examiners in Speech-Language
28 Pathology and Audiology on or before ~~June 30~~ the expiration date of each
29 year.

30 (c)(1)(A) If a request for renewal is postmarked on or before ~~July 15~~
31 fifteen (15) days after the expiration date:

32 (i) The request shall not be considered late; and

33 (ii) The licensee shall not be:

34 (a) Considered as practicing without a
35 license; or

36 (b) Charged a late fee.



1 (B) If payment of the renewal fee is postmarked on or
2 after ~~July 16~~ sixteen (16) days after the expiration date of any given year,
3 the board may renew a license upon payment of the renewal of license fee plus
4 a late renewal payment penalty, which shall equal the amount prescribed for
5 late penalty per month under § 17-100-308.

6 (C) A license renewed under this subsection becomes
7 effective on the day after the request for renewal is postmarked.

8 (2) A person who requests renewal of a license, whose license
9 has expired, shall not be required to submit to examination as a condition to
10 renewal.

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