

CHAMBER ACTION

1 The Health Care Regulation Committee recommends the following:

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3 **Council/Committee Substitute**

4 Remove the entire bill and insert:

5 A bill to be entitled

6 An act relating to psychologist specialties; creating s.
7 490.0149, F.S.; providing a definition; specifying the
8 circumstances under which a psychologist may hold himself
9 or herself out as a certified psychology specialist or
10 psychology diplomate; requiring the Board of Psychology to
11 adopt rules and establish specified criteria for the
12 approval of certifying bodies; specifying that a person
13 licensed under ch. 490, F.S., may specify the types of
14 services he or she provides; providing an effective date.

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16 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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18 Section 1. Section 490.0149, Florida Statutes, is created
19 to read:

20 490.0149 Specialties.--

21 (1) As used in this section, the term "specialist" or
22 "diplomate" means a psychologist with recognized special

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23 | competency acquired through an organized sequence of formal
24 | education, training, experience, and professional standing.

25 | (2) A person licensed as a psychologist or school
26 | psychologist may not hold himself or herself out as a certified
27 | psychology specialist or psychology diplomate unless the person
28 | has received formal recognition as a board-certified psychology
29 | specialist or psychology diplomate from a recognized certifying
30 | body that has been approved by the board.

31 | (3) The board shall adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1)
32 | and 120.54 to establish criteria for approval of certifying
33 | bodies pursuant to the requirements of subsection (2). The
34 | criteria shall include:

35 | (a) Peer review and self study.

36 | (b) Established standards.

37 | (c) Assessments of competencies characteristic of the
38 | specialty.

39 | (d) Administrative support.

40 | (e) A unified relationship to the public and the
41 | profession.

42 | (4) A person licensed under this chapter may indicate the
43 | services he or she offers and may indicate that his or her
44 | practice is limited to one or more types of services when this
45 | accurately reflects his or her scope of practice.

46 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.