

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2009**

**SESSION LAW 2009-138  
HOUSE BILL 18**

AN ACT TO AMEND SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE HOURS OF THE FOUR HUNDRED  
CLOCK HOURS REQUIRED FOR PERMANENT LICENSURE AS A SPEECH AND  
LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 90-295(a)(3) reads as rewritten:

"(3) Submit evidence of the completion of a minimum of 400 clock hours of supervised, direct clinical experience with individuals who present a variety of communication disorders. This experience must have been obtained within the training institution or in one of its cooperating programs in the following areas: (i) Speech – Adult (~~2002~~2020 diagnostic and ~~2002~~2020 therapeutic); Children (~~2002~~2020 diagnostic and ~~2002~~2020 therapeutic); or (ii) Language – Adult (~~2002~~2020 diagnostic and ~~2002~~2020 therapeutic); Children (~~2002~~2020 diagnostic and ~~2002~~2020 therapeutic). Each new applicant must submit a verified clinical clock hour summary sheet signed by the clinic or program director, in addition to completion of the license application."

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2009.

s/ Walter H. Dalton  
President of the Senate

s/ Joe Hackney  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Beverly E. Perdue  
Governor

Approved 11:53 a.m. this 19<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2009

