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In Senate, January 16, 2007

An Act To Clarify the Requirements for Temporary Licensure of Psychologists

Reference to the Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BROMLEY of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative SMITH of Monmouth and
Representatives: AUSTIN of Gray, SILSBY of Augusta.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §3824, sub-§5**, as amended by PL 1991, c. 144, §1, is further
3 amended to read:

4 **5. Temporary licensure.** The board shall provide rules for the granting of a
5 temporary license to enable psychologists to practice in this State under supervision prior
6 to full licensure by the board. An applicant who possesses at least 1,500 hours of
7 postdoctoral experience and fulfills all the requirements for licensure, except the written
8 examination, may apply to the board for a temporary license. Upon receiving a
9 completed application and fee and upon the applicant's successful completion of an oral
10 examination, the board shall issue a temporary license that entitles the applicant to
11 practice as a psychologist or psychological examiner under supervision while completing
12 the requirements for permanent licensure. The temporary license is effective for one
13 year.

14 **SUMMARY**

15 This bill specifies that applicants for temporary licensure by the State Board of
16 Examiners of Psychologists must possess at least 1,500 hours of postdoctoral experience.