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Regular Session, 2014

SENATE BILL NO. 71

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BY SENATOR MORRELL

HEALTH SERVICES. Provide relative to the Behavior Analyst Practice Act. (8/1/14)

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 37:3708 and 3715(6), relative to the Behavior Analyst Practice
3	Act; to provide for registration of line technicians; to provide for persons and
4	practices not affected by the practice act; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 37:3708 and 3715(6) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
7	follows:
8	§3708. Registration of line technician; denial or revocation of a registration
9	A. A registered line technician shall be at least eighteen years of age and
10	possess a minimum of a high school diploma or its equivalent.
11	<b>B.</b> A line technician shall be registered by his supervising licensed behavior
12	analyst with the board.
13	B. At C. Within fourteen days from the date of application for
14	registration, the line technician shall submit initiate a criminal background report
15	from the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information of the office
16	of state police within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, issued not
17	more than fourteen days from the date of registration.

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1 D. The board has the authority to deny or revoke a registration in the 2 best interest of public safety and welfare. 3 C. E. The registration provided for in this Section shall be renewed annually by the supervising licensed behavior analyst. 4 5 §3715. Persons and practices not affected 6 The provisions of this Chapter shall not be construed as prohibiting or 7 8 restricting the practice of any of the following: 9 10 (6) A matriculated college or university student, intern, or postdoctoral fellow whose activities are part of a defined behavior analysis program of study, practicum, 11 or intensive practicum, or supervised independent fieldwork. Such practice under 12 13 this exemption requires the direct supervision by a licensed behavior analyst in this state or an instructor in an approved course sequence approved by the board. A 14 student, intern, or postdoctoral fellow shall not represent himself as a behavior 15 analyst and shall use a title that clearly indicates his training status, such as "behavior 16 analysis student", "behavior analysis intern", "behavior analysis trainee", or other 17 title clearly indicating such training status. 18 19

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Christopher D. Adams.

## **DIGEST**

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Present law provides a line technician shall be registered by his supervising licensed behavior analyst with the Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board (the board).

Present law provides at registration, the line technician shall submit a criminal background report from the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information of the office of state police within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, issued not more than 14 days from the date of registration.

Present law provides the registration shall be renewed annually by the supervising licensed behavior analyst.

Proposed law amends present law to provide a registered line technician shall be at least 18 years of age and possess a minimum of a high school diploma or its equivalent.

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Coding: Words which are struck through are deletions from existing law; words in **boldface type and underscored** are additions.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides a line technician shall be registered by his supervising licensed behavior analyst with the board.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides within 14 days from the date of application for registration, the line technician shall initiate a criminal background report from the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information of the office of state police within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides the board has the authority to deny or revoke a registration in the best interest of public safety and welfare.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides the registration provided shall be renewed annually by the supervising licensed behavior analyst.

<u>Present law</u> provides a matriculated college or university student, intern, or postdoctoral fellow whose activities are part of a defined behavior analysis program of study, practicum, intensive practicum, or supervised independent fieldwork.

<u>Proposed law</u> amends <u>present law</u> to provide a matriculated college or university student, intern, or postdoctoral fellow whose activities are part of a defined behavior analysis program of study, practicum, or intensive practicum.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 37:3708 and 3715(6))