

**HOUSE . . . . . No.**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**William G. Greene, Jr.**

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to speech language pathologists.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
William G. Greene, Jr.	22nd Middlesex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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### AN ACT RELATIVE TO SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding sections 138 to 147 inclusive, of Chapter 112 of the Massachusetts General Laws or  
2 any other law to the contrary, the board of licensure for speech-language pathology and audiology (“the board”)  
3 shall waive the requirements set forth in subclause (b) of clause (2) and clause (3) of section one hundred and forty-  
4 four of chapter one hundred twelve of the General Laws for applicants who were actively engaged in the practice of  
5 speech-language pathology in the commonwealth before January 6, 1983 upon proof of professional practice  
6 satisfactory to the board. The board shall also waive the requirements set forth in clause (3) of said section one  
7 hundred and forty-four of said chapter one hundred and twelve for applicants who were actively engaged in the  
8 practice of audiology in the commonwealth before January 6, 1983 upon proof of professional practice satisfactory  
9 to the board. The board shall waive the examination requirements set forth in clause (4) of said section one hundred  
10 and forty-four of said chapter one hundred and twelve for applicants who were actively engaged in the practice of  
11 speech-language pathology or audiology in the commonwealth before January 6, 1983.  
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13 SECTION 2. All persons who were actively engaged in the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology in  
14 the commonwealth before January 6, 1983 shall apply for a license in speech-language pathology or audiology  
15 within one year after the effective date of this act.  
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17 SECTION 3. The provisions of this act shall take effect upon its passage.  
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