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CHAPTER 316

The Psychologists Registration Act

1. In this Act,

Interpre-
tation

- (a) "Board" means the Ontario Board of Examiners in Psychology appointed under this Act;
- (b) "certificate of registration" means a certificate of registration as a registered psychologist;
- (c) "registered psychologist" means a person who is registered under this Act. 1960, c. 90, s. 1.

2.—(1) There shall be a board known as the Ontario Board of Examiners in Psychology which shall be composed of five registered psychologists appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, and the Lieutenant Governor in Council may fill any vacancies in the membership of the Board.

Board
constituted

(2) At least two of the members of the Board shall be and at least two members shall not be principally engaged as members of the teaching staff of a university.

Qualification

(3) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may appoint a provisional board of five persons to whom the qualification provisions of this section do not apply and who shall hold office for a term of one year from the day this Act comes into force and until their successors are appointed. 1960, c. 90, s. 2.

Provisional
board

3. The members of the Board from time to time are a corporation. 1960, c. 90, s. 3.

Corporation

4. A majority of the members of the Board is a quorum. 1960, c. 90, s. 4.

Quorum

5. Subject to the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, the Board may make regulations,

Regulations

- (a) fixing the term of office and remuneration of the members of the Board and providing for the payment of necessary expenses of the Board in the conduct of its business;
- (b) prescribing the powers of the Board and the procedure of the Board at its meetings;

- (c) providing for the issuance and renewal of certificates of registration and fixing the fees payable therefor;
- (d) providing for the holding of examinations and fixing the fees payable therefor;
- (e) governing the suspension or cancellation of certificates of registration, the causes and procedure therefor;
- (f) prescribing the duties and remuneration of examiners and other persons employed by the Board;
- (g) generally for carrying out the intent and purpose of this Act. 1960, c. 90, s. 5.

Qualification
for
registration

6. The Board shall grant a certificate of registration to any person who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the Board that he,

- (a) has received a doctoral degree based upon a programme of studies whose content was primarily psychological from an educational institution approved by the Board;
- (b) has had at least one year of experience acceptable to the Board; and
- (c) has passed the examinations required by the Board. 1960, c. 90, s. 6.

Idem, for
first
6 years

7.—(1) The Board shall grant a certificate of registration to any person,

- (a) who has satisfied the requirements of clause *a* of section 6 and who has had at least two years of experience acceptable to the Board; or
- (b) who has received a master's degree based upon a programme of studies whose content was primarily psychological from an educational institution approved by the Board and who has had at least four years of experience acceptable to the Board.

Repeal

(2) This section is repealed upon the expiry of six years from the 11th day of June, 1960. 1960, c. 90, s. 7, *amended*.

Power to
refuse
registration

8. The Board after a hearing may refuse to grant a certificate of registration to any person who is found by the Board to be liable to have his certificate suspended or cancelled for any of the causes mentioned in the regulations. 1960, c. 90, s. 8.

Appeal

9.—(1) If the Board refuses or neglects to register a person, refuses or neglects to renew the registration of a person or

suspends or cancels the registration of a person, the person aggrieved may, within three months from the day on which notice thereof was served, apply to a judge of the Supreme Court who upon due cause shown may make an order directing the Board to make the registration, renew the registration, remove the suspension or withdraw the cancellation, as the case may be, or may make such other order as is warranted by the facts.

(2) Every such order is final and conclusive and shall be ^{Idem} acted upon forthwith by the Board. 1960, c. 90, s. 9.

10.—(1) The Board shall keep a register in which shall be entered the name of every person who has been granted a certificate of registration. ^{Register to be kept}

(2) The register shall be open to inspection by any person upon reasonable notice to the Board. ^{Inspection of register} 1960, c. 90, s. 10.

11.—(1) No person shall represent himself to be a psychologist unless he holds a certificate of registration. ^{Prohibition}

(2) A person represents himself to be a psychologist when he holds himself out to the public by any title, designation or description incorporating the words "psychological", "psychologist" or "psychology" and under such title, designation or description offers to render or renders services of any kind to one or more persons for a fee or other remuneration. ^{Idem}

(3) This section does not apply to a duly qualified medical practitioner or to a person in the course of his employment by the Government of Canada, the Government of Ontario or a university. ^{Exceptions} 1960, c. 90, s. 11.

12. No person who holds a certificate of registration shall treat any person for any type of mental disorder for a fee or other remuneration except on the request of or in association with a duly qualified medical practitioner. ^{Treatment of mental disorders} 1960, c. 90, s. 12.

13. Nothing in this Act authorizes a person who holds a certificate of registration to engage in any manner in the practice of medicine, surgery or midwifery. ^{Practice of medicine not authorized} 1960, c. 90, s. 13.

14.—(1) Every person who contravenes any provision of this Act is guilty of an offence and on summary conviction is liable to a fine of not more than \$100 for the first offence and not more than \$500 for any subsequent offence. ^{Offence}

(2) The fines recovered for offences under this Act shall be paid to the Board. ^{Disposition of fines} 1960, c. 90, s. 14.

