

# House File 2246 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN  
RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2017)

## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to provisional licensing of interns enrolled in  
2 a doctoral degree program in psychology.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 154B.6, Code 2022, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. A person who is enrolled in a doctoral  
4 degree program in psychology at an institution approved by  
5 the board but who has not completed the other requirements  
6 for licensure under this section may apply for a provisional  
7 license during the person's internship program. The license  
8 shall be designated as a "provisional license in psychology".  
9 The provisional license shall authorize the licensee to  
10 practice psychology under the supervision of a supervisor who  
11 meets the qualifications determined by the board by rule. A  
12 provisional license shall be valid for a period of two years.  
13 The fee for a provisional license shall be set by the board to  
14 cover the administrative costs of issuance. The board shall  
15 also set a fee for renewal of a provisional license.

16 EXPLANATION

17 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
18 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

19 This bill allows persons who are enrolled in a doctoral  
20 degree program in psychology at an institution approved  
21 by the board of psychology but who have not completed the  
22 other requirements for licensure to apply for a provisional  
23 license during the person's internship program. The license  
24 is designated as a "provisional license in psychology", and  
25 the licensee is authorized to practice psychology under the  
26 supervision of a qualified supervisor. The provisional license  
27 is valid for a two-year period. The board shall set the fee for  
28 the license to cover administrative costs, and shall set a fee  
29 for renewal of a provisional license.

30 Services of provisionally licensed psychologists who  
31 practice under a qualified supervisor are eligible for  
32 reimbursement under the Medicaid program and through  
33 third-party payment or prepayment policies or contracts.