

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

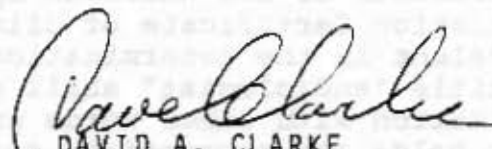
NOTICE

D.C. LAW 7-46

"Hearing Aid Dealers and Consumers Act of 1977  
Amendment Act of 1987".

Pursuant to Section 412 of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, P. L. 93-198, "the Act", the Council of the District of Columbia adopted Bill No. 7-51 on first and second readings, July 14, 1987, and September 29, 1987, respectively. Following the signature of the Mayor on October 16, 1987, this legislation was assigned Act 7-79, published in the October 30, 1987, edition of the D.C. Register, (Vol. 34 page 6847) and transmitted to Congress on October 21, 1987 for a 30-day review, in accordance with Section 602(c)(1) of the Act.

The Council of the District of Columbia hereby gives notice that the 30-day Congressional Review Period has expired, and therefore, cites this enactment as D.C. Law 7-46, effective December 10, 1987.

  
DAVID A. CLARKE  
Chairman of the Council

Dates Counted During the 30-day Congressional Review Period:

October 21,22,23,26,27,28,29,30

November 2,3,4,5,6,9,10,12,13,16,17,18,19,20,30

December 1,2,3,4,7,8,9

REFFECTIVE DATE DEC 1 0 1987

AN ACT

D.C. ACT 7 - 79

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

OCT 1 6 1987

To amend the Hearing Aid Dealers and Consumers Act of 1977 by deleting the prohibition against physicians and audiologists registering as hearing aid dealers and by establishing qualification standards for hearing aid dispensers who are not physicians or audiologists.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Hearing Aid Dealers and Consumers Act of 1977 Amendment Act of 1987".

Sec. 2. The Hearing Aid Dealers and Consumers Act of 1977, effective October 26, 1977 (D.C. Law 2-33; D.C. Code, sec. 28-4001 et seq.), is amended as follows:

(a) Section 2 (D.C. Code, sec. 28-4001) is amended as follows:

D.C. Code,  
sec. 28-4001  
(1988 supp.)

(1) Paragraph (1) is amended to read as follows:

"(1) Audiologist means any person who has at least a master's degree in audiology and meets the requirements of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Certificate of clinical competence or the equivalent in the determination of the Board of Medicine. The title "audiologist" shall not be used singly or in combination with other words unless the person using the title holds the appropriate certification from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association."

(2) Paragraph (9) is amended to read as follows:

"(9) Registrant means a hearing aid dispenser, audiologist, or otolaryngologist who engages in the practice of fitting and selling hearing aids and who has registered pursuant to section 4."

(3) A new paragraph (13) is added to read as follows:

"(13) Hearing aid dispenser means a person who is at least 18 years of age, has a high school diploma or the equivalent, and has received a certificate of competence from the National Hearing Aid Society or another recognized

national organization approved by the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs."

(b) Section 4(h) (D.C. Code, sec. 28-4003(h)) is repealed.

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Code, secs.  
28-4003(h)  
-4004(e) (1  
supp.)

(c) Section 5(e) (D.C. Code, sec. 28-4004(e)) is repealed.

(d) Section 7(a)(3)(F) (D.C. Code, sec. 28-4006(a)(3)(F)) is amended to read as follows:

D.C. Code,  
sec. 28-400  
(1988 supp.

"(f) Using or incorporating in any title or designation the words "doctor", "clinic", "clinical audiologist", "hearing aid audiologist", or any other term unless legally qualified to use the term, abbreviation, or symbol;"

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect after a 30-day period of Congressional review following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council of the District of Columbia to override the veto) as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code, sec. 1-233(c)(1)).

Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia

  
Mayor  
District of Columbia  
APPROVED: October 16, 1987



**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
Council Period Seven

**RECORD OF OFFICIAL COUNCIL VOTE**

DOCKET NO: B7-51

Item on Consent Calendar

ACTION & DATE: Adopted First Reading, 7-14-87

VOICE VOTE: Unanimous

Recorded vote on request Kane, Smith and Clarke

Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL CALL VOTE: -- RESULT \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
CHMN. CLARKE					NATHANSON					THOMAS SR.				
CRAWFORD					RAY					WILSON				
JARVIS					ROLARK					WINTER				
KANE					SCHWARTZ									
MASON					SMITH, JR.									

X -- Indicates Vote      A.B. -- Absent      N.V. -- Present, not voting

**CERTIFICATION RECORD**

Russell Smith Secretary to the Council      10-2-87 Date

Item on Consent Calendar

ACTION & DATE: Adopted Final Reading, 9-29-87

VOICE VOTE: Unanimous

Recorded vote on request \_\_\_\_\_

Absent: Kane

ROLL CALL VOTE: -- RESULT \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
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Recorded vote on request \_\_\_\_\_

Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL CALL VOTE: -- RESULT \_\_\_\_\_

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Secretary to the Council      \_\_\_\_\_  
Date