



Ohio Revised Code

Section 4753.05 Powers and duties of board.

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(A) The state speech and hearing professionals board may make reasonable rules necessary for the administration of this chapter. All rules adopted under this chapter shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(B) The board shall determine the nature and scope of examinations to be administered to applicants for licensure pursuant to this chapter in the practices of speech-language pathology and audiology, and shall evaluate the qualifications of all applicants. Written examinations may be supplemented by such practical and oral examinations as the board shall determine by rule. The board shall determine by rule the minimum examination score for licensure. Licensure shall be granted independently in speech-language pathology and audiology.

Test materials, examinations, answer keys, or evaluation tools used in an examination for licensure pursuant to this chapter, whether administered by the board or by a private or government entity pursuant to a contract, are not public records under section 149.43 of the Revised Code.

(C) The board shall publish and make available, upon request, the licensure and permit standards prescribed by this chapter and rules adopted pursuant thereto.

(D) The board shall investigate all alleged irregularities in the practices of speech-language pathology and audiology by persons licensed or permitted pursuant to this chapter and any violations of this chapter or rules adopted by the board. The board shall not investigate the practice of any person specifically exempted from licensure under this chapter by section 4753.12 of the Revised Code, as long as the person is practicing within the scope of the person's license or is carrying out responsibilities as described in division (G) or (H) of section 4753.12 of the Revised Code and does not claim to be a speech-language pathologist or audiologist.

In conducting investigations under this division, the board may administer oaths, order the taking of depositions, issue subpoenas, and compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books,



accounts, papers, records, documents, and testimony. In any case of disobedience or neglect of any subpoena served on any person or the refusal of any witness to testify to any matter regarding which the witness may lawfully be interrogated, the court of common pleas of any county where such disobedience, neglect, or refusal occurs or any judge thereof, on application by the board, shall compel obedience by attachment proceedings for contempt, as in the case of disobedience of the requirements of a subpoena issued from such court, or a refusal to testify therein.

(E) The board shall conduct such hearings as are necessary to carry out this chapter.