

**CHAPTER 469**

**H.B. No. 616**

**AN ACT**

relating to the exemption of certain psychologists from career counseling services requirements.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

**SECTION 1.** Section 2, Chapter 222, Acts of the 70th Legislature, Regular Session, 1987 (Article 5221a-8, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. EXCEPTIONS. This Act does not apply to:

(1) a person regulated by Chapter 263, Acts of the 66th Legislature, Regular Session, 1979 (Article 5221a-7, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes);

(2) a personnel service operated by the United States, this state, any political subdivision of this state, or any organization receiving appropriated funds from or under contract with those governmental entities;

(3) a professional counselor licensed under the Licensed Professional Counselor Act (Article 4512g, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); [ø]

(4) a nonprofit organization qualifying under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, providing a service described in this Act as part of its charitable purposes; or

(5) a person licensed as a psychologist under the Psychologists' Certification and Licensing Act (Article 4512c, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes) when practicing within the scope of the license.

SECTION 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on March 25, 1993: Yeas 133, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting;  
passed by the Senate on May 22, 1993: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 9, 1993.

Effective June 9, 1993.