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H 1592. ALLOW AUDIOLOGIST TO FIT/SELL HEARING AIDS. Filed 4/18/07. *ALLOWING AUDIOLOGISTS TO FIT AND DISPENSE HEARING AIDS, AUTHORIZING THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEARING AID DEALERS AND FITTERS BOARD TO ADOPT RULES TO IMPLEMENT THIS ACT, AND AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR SPEECH AND LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS AND AUDIOLOGISTS TO CHARGE A FEE TO FIT OR SELL HEARING AIDS.*

Amends GS 90-293(6) to include fitting and selling hearing aids within the definition of *practice of audiology*. Makes conforming changes to GS Chapter 93D. Adds new GS 93D-3.1 to establish a joint committee of the North Carolina State Hearing Aid Dealers and Fitters Board and the Board of Examiners for Speech and Language Pathologists and Audiologists to review and make recommendations or rules governing the sale of hearing aids.

Intro. by England.

GS 90, 93D