

ethics may continue to do what they are doing. So there is no attempt to hamper Mr. Gallup, or anything of that kind.

Mr. HARSHA. Is S. 1864 with the amendments, which is before us, acceptable in all phases of practice in this field, to the psychologists and to the psychiatrists?

Dr. MELTZER. It does not pertain to psychiatrists. They are covered by the Healing Arts Practices Act. This bill is related to one who may call himself a psychologist and what a psychologist may do.

Mr. LEGAULT. Mr. Harsha, I am Dr. Oscar Legault, and I represent the psychiatrists. We have no objection to the definition of the practice of psychology in this bill.

Mr. HARSHA. I have no other questions.

Mr. WALKER. If there are no further questions at this time from the committee, Dr. Legault, would you like to lead off and comment on your proposed amendments which have been printed in full in the record. (See Appendix, p. 149.)

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

Dr. LEGAULT. I really have nothing to add to the comments that I have already made about the amendments to the bill. We have included our statements in our general presentation. We feel that the purposes of our amendments are really to write a bill which would allow the practice of psychology to be carried out under realistic regulations. We do not aim to be restrictive, as we are accused of being, but we do feel that the function of a law is to regulate, which is what the law says it is going to do. In order to regulate, it has to say what things can be done and what things cannot be done. Our changes have been in the direction of changing the loose wording, particularly the wording of Section 4 which was criticized by Members of the subcommittee generally as being a prayer rather than a law. We have aimed to transform it into wording of law. Generally, the rest of our suggested amendments have been along that line. I do not think I have any further comments.

I would welcome questions, however.

Mr. WALKER. Mr. Nelsen, any questions?

Mr. NELSEN. No.

Mr. WALKER. Mr. Harsha?

Mr. HARSHA. Am I right that psychologists presently are not licensed in the District?

Dr. LEGAULT. That is correct.

Mr. HARSHA. What is a Ps. D. in psychology?

Dr. LEGAULT. I don't know.

Mr. HARSHA. I have here the yellow pages of the Washington telephone book. Someone here represents himself as a Ph. D. and then he has the capital P, again with a small "s" between it and the capital D, in psychology. He practices metaphysics, epistemology, hypnosis, emotional problems, insomnia, tension release, and a few other things here. Will he come under the purview of this law now?

Dr. LEGAULT. He would come under the purview of this law. He currently comes under the purview of the Healing Arts Practices Act so far as I understand. Why he is there in that book, I would have