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Bill Summary

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Overview

Directs affected state agencies and boards to develop an expedited procedure for issuing a professional services license or certificate to a qualified individual who is an active duty member of the military, the spouse of an active duty member of the military, or an inactive veteran who left military service with an honorable or general discharge within two years of when the individual applies for a license or certificate. Instructs the governor to appoint representatives of the licensing boards to issue a report to the legislature on procedures for issuing temporary licenses.

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- Expedited licensing process. Directs affected state agencies and licensing boards to each develop a procedure to expedite issuing a professional services license or certificate to a qualified individual who is an active duty member of the military, the spouse of an active duty member of the military, or an inactive veteran who left military service with an honorable or general discharge within two years of when the individual applies to the agency or board for a license or certificate.
- Report on temporary licenses. (a) Requires affected state agencies and licensing boards to each develop a procedure to issue a temporary professional services license or certificate to a qualified individual who is an active duty member of the military, the spouse of an active duty member of the military, or an inactive veteran who left military service with an honorable or general discharge within two years of when the individual applies to the agency or board for a temporary license or certificate. Instructs the governor to appoint representatives from the licensing boards to report to the legislature on procedures to issue temporary licenses and certificates to qualified persons. Lists the issue that must be included

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in the report.

Paragraph (b) Requires affected individuals under this section to provide evidence of a current, valid out-of-state license, certificate, or permit without disciplinary action and a current criminal background check without a criminal conviction that the issuing agency or board determines would adversely affect the individual's ability to be licensed or certified.