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Overview

This bill provides a process for qualified current members—and their spouses—and former members of the military to receive expedited, temporary licenses in the following professions: licensed optometry, licensed dietetics and nutrition, licensed family and marriage therapy, licensed professional counseling (LPC), licensed professional clinical counseling (LPCC), licensed alcohol and drug counseling (LADC), licensed podiatry, and barbering.

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- 1 Expedited, Temporary License Processing for Licensed Optometrists; Military.** Authorizes qualified current and former members of the military to earn an expedited, temporary license in the field of optometry. A qualified individual is someone who is an active duty military member or a spouse, or a veteran who has left service in the past two years. Requires qualified individuals to provide evidence of a current license, certificate, or permit in another state without history of disciplinary action, and a criminal background study without a relevant criminal conviction.

A temporary optometrist license is valid for six months. During the temporary license period, the individual shall complete the licensed optometrist application for licensure. To earn a permanent license, a temporary licensee must meet the standards for all applicants.
- 2 Expedited, Temporary License Processing for Licensed Dieticians or Nutritionists; Military.** Authorizes qualified current and former members of the military to earn an expedited, temporary license in the field of dietetics or nutrition. A qualified individual is someone who is an active duty military member or a spouse, or a veteran who has left service in the past two years. Requires qualified individuals to provide evidence of a current license, certificate, or

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permit in another state without history of disciplinary action, and a criminal background study without a relevant criminal conviction.

A temporary dietician or nutritionist license is valid for six months. During the temporary license period, the individual shall complete the licensed dietician or nutritionist application for licensure. To earn a permanent license, a temporary licensee must meet the standards for all applicants. The fee for the temporary license is \$250.

- 3 Expedited, Temporary License Processing for Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists; Military.** Authorizes qualified current and former members of the military to earn an expedited, temporary license in the field of marriage and family therapy. A qualified individual is someone who is an active duty military member or a spouse, or a veteran who has left service in the past two years. Requires qualified individuals to provide evidence of a current license, certificate, or permit in another state without history of disciplinary action, and a criminal background study without a relevant criminal conviction.

A temporary marriage and family therapist license is valid for six months. During the temporary license period, the individual shall complete the licensed marriage and family therapist application for licensure. To earn a permanent license, a temporary licensee must meet the standards for all applicants.

- 4 Expedited, Temporary License Processing for Licensed Professional Counselors; Military.** Authorizes qualified current and former members of the military to earn an expedited, temporary license in the field of professional counseling. A qualified individual is someone who is an active duty military member or a spouse, or a veteran who has left service in the past two years. Requires qualified individuals to provide evidence of a current license, certificate, or permit in another state without history of disciplinary action, and a criminal background study without a relevant criminal conviction.

A temporary LPC license is valid for 12 months. To earn a permanent license, a temporary licensee must meet the standards for all applicants.

- 5 Expedited, Temporary License Processing for Licensed Professional Clinical Counselors; Military.** Authorizes qualified current and former members of the military to earn an expedited, temporary license in the field of professional clinical counseling. A qualified individual is someone who is an active duty military member or a spouse, or a veteran who has left service in the past two years. Requires qualified individuals to provide evidence of a current license, certificate, or permit in another state without history of disciplinary action, and a criminal background study without a relevant criminal conviction.

A temporary LPCC license is valid for 12 months. To earn a permanent license, a temporary licensee must meet the standards for all applicants.

- 6 Expedited, Temporary License Processing for Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors; Military.** Authorizes qualified current and former members of the military to earn an expedited, temporary license in the field of professional counseling. A qualified individual is someone who is an active duty military member or a spouse, or a veteran who has left service in the past two years. Requires qualified individuals to provide evidence of a current license, certificate, or permit in another state without history of disciplinary action, and a criminal background study without a relevant criminal conviction.

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A temporary LADC license is valid for 12 months. To earn a permanent license, a temporary licensee must meet the standards for all applicants.

- 7 License Requirements; Podiatric Medicine.** Provides that, upon completion of all other application requirements, a doctor of podiatric medicine applying for a temporary military license has six months to comply with the podiatric medicine license requirements.
- 8 Expedited, Temporary License Processing for Licensed Podiatrists; Military.** Authorizes qualified current and former members of the military to earn an expedited, temporary license in the field of podiatric medicine. A qualified individual is someone who is an active duty military member or a spouse, or a veteran who has left service in the past two years. Requires qualified individuals to provide evidence of a current license, certificate, or permit in another state without history of disciplinary action, and a criminal background study without a relevant criminal conviction.
- A temporary podiatrist license is valid for up to six months, as determined by the licensing board. No extension is available. During the temporary license period, the individual shall complete the licensed podiatrist application for licensure. To earn a permanent license, a temporary licensee must meet the standards for all applicants. The fee for the temporary license is \$250.
- 9 Fees.** Provides fee amounts to be charged by the Board of Barber Examiners for a temporary military registered barber certificate (\$85), barber instructor certificate (\$180), and apprentice barber permit (\$80).
- 10 Temporary Military Permits and Certificates.** Authorizes the Board of Barber Examiners to issue temporary military certificates and permits for apprentice barbers, registered barbers, and barber instructors. Permits or certificates are valid for 12 months. To earn a permanent permit or certificate, the individual must meet the standards for all applicants.