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SENATE BILL 258

51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2013

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AN ACT

RELATING TO LICENSURE; ALLOWING EXPEDITED OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING OF MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS, SPOUSES OF MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS AND VETERANS WHO ARE LICENSED IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of the Uniform Licensing Act is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] EXPEDITED LICENSURE--MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS AND SPOUSES--VETERANS.--

A. A state agency, board or commission that issues an occupational or professional license pursuant to Chapter 61, Articles 2 through 34 NMSA 1978 shall, as soon as practicable after a military service member, the spouse of a military service member or a recent veteran files an application for a

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1 license accompanied by the required fees:

2 (1) process the application; and

3 (2) issue a license to a qualified applicant

4 who submits satisfactory evidence that the applicant holds a
5 license that is current and in good standing, issued by another
6 jurisdiction, including a branch of the armed forces of the
7 United States, that has licensing requirements that are
8 substantially equivalent to the licensing requirements for the
9 occupational or professional license the applicant applies for
10 pursuant to Chapter 61, Articles 2 through 34 NMSA 1978.

11 B. A license issued pursuant to this section is not
12 a provisional license and must confer the same rights,
13 privileges and responsibilities as a license issued pursuant to
14 Chapter 61, Articles 2 through 34 NMSA 1978.

15 C. A license issued pursuant to this section shall
16 not be renewed unless the license holder satisfies the
17 requirements for the issuance and for the renewal of a license
18 pursuant to Chapter 61, Articles 2 through 34 NMSA 1978. Upon
19 the issuance of a license pursuant to this section, the issuing
20 state agency, board or commission shall notify the license
21 holder of the requirements for renewing the license in writing.

22 D. A state agency, board or commission that issues
23 a license pursuant to Chapter 61 NMSA 1978 shall establish
24 procedures necessary to implement this section by July 1, 2013,
25 including rules for the renewal of licenses pursuant to

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1 Subsection C of this section.

2 E. This section applies only to an application for
3 an occupational or professional license pursuant to Chapter 61
4 NMSA 1978 filed on or after July 1, 2013.

5 F. As used in this section:

6 (1) "military service member" means a person
7 who is serving in the armed forces of the United States or in a
8 reserve component of the armed forces of the United States,
9 including the national guard; and

10 (2) "recent veteran" means a person who has
11 received an honorable discharge or separation from military
12 service within the two years immediately preceding the date the
13 person applied for an occupational or professional license
14 pursuant to this section."

15 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
16 provisions of this act is July 1, 2013.