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1 satisfactory evidence of equivalent education, training and
2 experience by an applicant for certification or licensure, accept
3 the education, training, and experience completed by the individual
4 as a member of the Armed Forces or Reserves of the United States,
5 National Guard of any state, the Military Reserves of any state, or
6 the Naval Militias of any state, and apply it in the manner most
7 favorable toward satisfying the qualifications for issuance of the
8 requested license or certification or approval for license
9 examination in this state.

10 B. Each agency director or official, and each examining and
11 licensing board, shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions
12 of this section.

13 C. Any state licensing or certification authority that fails to
14 implement rules or laws for recognizing appropriate military
15 training and experience for its occupational or professional
16 licensing or certification process shall be deemed in violation of
17 this act.

18 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 6, Chapter 226, O.S.L.
19 2012 (59 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 4100.5), is amended to read as
20 follows:

21 Section 4100.5. A. Every agency, board or commission shall
22 establish a procedure to expedite endorsement of licenses or
23 certifications for military spouse applicants; provided, the
24 military service member is on active duty within this state or

1 claims permanent residency in this state for the six (6) months
2 prior to assignment to active duty or during the period of active
3 duty.

4 B. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, each agency,
5 board or commission shall establish a procedure to expedite the
6 issuance of a license, certification or permit to perform
7 occupational or professional services regulated by each such board
8 to a person:

9 1. Who is certified or licensed in another state to perform
10 occupational or professional services in a state other than the
11 State of Oklahoma;

12 2. Whose spouse is an active-duty member of the Armed Forces of
13 the United States;

14 3. Whose spouse is subject to a military transfer to this
15 state; and

16 4. Who left employment in another state to accompany the
17 person's spouse to this state.

18 C. The procedures to expedite licensure or certification shall
19 include:

20 1. Issuing the person a license, certificate or permit, if, in
21 the opinion of the agency, board, or commission the requirements for
22 certification or licensure of the other state are substantially
23 equivalent to those required by this state; or
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1 2. Developing a method to authorize the person to perform
2 occupational or professional services regulated by the agency, board
3 or commission in this state by issuing the person a temporary
4 permit, certificate or license for a limited period of time to allow
5 the person to perform occupational or professional services while
6 completing any specific requirements in this state that were not
7 required in the state in which the person was licensed or certified.

8 D. Any state licensing or certification authority that fails to
9 implement rules or laws for recognizing appropriate military
10 training and experience for its occupational or professional
11 licensing or certification process shall be deemed in violation of
12 this act.

13 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2018.

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15 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,
16 dated 04/10/2018 - DO PASS.
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