

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

SENATE BILL NO.670

By: Pugh

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to professional and occupational licensure; amending Section 1, Chapter 226, O.S.L. 2012, and Section 8, Chapter 226, O.S.L. 2012 (59 O.S. Supp. 2018, Sections 4100 and 4100.7), which relate to the Post-Military Service Occupation, Education and Credentialing Act; changing name of act; modifying reference; directing certain acceptance of licenses and certifications from other states for certain military persons entering this state; requiring temporary reciprocal license and certifications; providing for temporary license term; directing notice of denial or other requirements for licensure; directing promulgation of rules; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 226, O.S.L. 2012 (59 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 4100), is amended to read as follows:

Section 4100. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "~~Post~~-Military Service Occupation, Education and Credentialing Act".

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4100.8 of Title 59, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 A. Every active duty military personnel and their spouse who is
2 licensed or certified in any occupation or profession in another
3 state, upon receiving notice or orders of military transfer or
4 honorable discharge to this state, may immediately and in advance of
5 actual transfer notify the appropriate licensing or credentialing
6 agency in this state to request an immediate temporary or reciprocal
7 license or certification for their current valid license or
8 certification from another state or territory of the United States
9 so such person immediately upon entering this state shall be
10 authorized to continue their licensed or certified occupation or
11 profession without delay in this state.

12 B. Every administrative body, state agency director or official
13 with authority over any occupational or professional license or
14 certification, and each of the respective examining and licensing
15 boards, shall, upon satisfactory evidence of equivalent education,
16 training and experience with a valid license or certification from
17 another state by a military applicant under subsection A of this
18 section, accept the valid license or certification and apply all its
19 education, training and experience in the manner most favorable
20 toward satisfying the qualifications for issuance of the requested
21 license or certification or approval for examination in this state.

22 C. The temporary license or certification issued pursuant to
23 this section shall be valid for a period continuous until full
24 licensure or certification is granted or the person is otherwise
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1 notified of the cause for denial or other credentials that are
2 required by this state for full licensure or certification.

3 D. Each agency shall promulgate rules to implement the
4 provisions of this section and establish forms and fees as required.

5 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY Section 8, Chapter 226, O.S.L.
6 2012 (59 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 4100.7), is amended to read as
7 follows:

8 Section 4100.7. Nothing in the ~~Post~~-Military Service
9 Occupation, Education and Credentialing Act shall be construed to
10 require the issuance of any license or certificate to an applicant
11 who does not otherwise meet the stated eligibility standards,
12 criteria, qualifications or requirements for licensure or
13 certification, nor shall the provisions be construed to
14 automatically allow issuance of any license or certificate without
15 testing or examination, without proper consideration by the
16 licensing and examination board, or without proper verification that
17 the applicant is not subject to pending criminal charges or
18 disciplinary actions, has not been convicted of any offense
19 prohibiting licensure or certification, and has no other impairment
20 which would prohibit licensure or certification in this state.

21 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.
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