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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL LICENSURE.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Section 436B-14.7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3           "§436B-14.7 Licensure by endorsement or licensure by  
4 reciprocity; initial acceptance by affidavit; temporary license;  
5 military spouse. (a) If a military spouse holds a current  
6 license in another state, district, or territory of the United  
7 States with licensure requirements that the licensing authority  
8 determines are equivalent to or exceed those established by the  
9 licensing authority of this State, that military spouse shall  
10 receive a license pursuant to applicable statutes or  
11 requirements of the licensing authority of this State regarding  
12 licensure by endorsement or licensure by reciprocity; provided  
13 that the military spouse:

14           (1) Has not committed an act in any jurisdiction that  
15                would have constituted grounds for the limitation,  
16                suspension, or revocation of a license; has never been  
17                censured or had other disciplinary action taken; has



- 1 not had an application for licensure denied; or has  
2 not refused to practice a profession or vocation for  
3 which the military spouse seeks licensure;
- 4 (2) Has not been disciplined by a licensing or  
5 credentialing entity in another jurisdiction; is not  
6 the subject of an unresolved complaint, review  
7 procedure, or disciplinary proceeding conducted by a  
8 licensing or credentialing entity in another  
9 jurisdiction; and has not surrendered membership on  
10 any professional staff in any professional  
11 association, society, or faculty for another state or  
12 licensing jurisdiction while under investigation or to  
13 avoid adverse action for acts or conduct similar to  
14 acts or conduct which would constitute grounds for  
15 disciplinary action in this State;
- 16 (3) Pays any fees required by the licensing authority of  
17 this State;
- 18 (4) Submits with the application, a copy of a current  
19 license from another state, district, or territory of  
20 the United States, proof of marriage or partnership,  
21 proof of the spouse's military status, and a signed



1 affidavit stating that application information,  
2 including necessary prior employment history, is true  
3 and accurate[-], and that the applicant will submit  
4 any other required verifying documentation within  
5 ninety days of the application. Upon receiving the  
6 affidavit, if the licensing authority issues the  
7 license to the military spouse, the licensing  
8 authority may revoke the license at any time if the  
9 information provided in the application is found to be  
10 false; and

11 (5) Is the spouse of a military member who is a member in  
12 good standing in the active or a reserve component of  
13 any of the armed forces of the United States and the  
14 military member has orders issued by the appropriate  
15 agencies of the armed forces to be stationed in Hawaii  
16 for a duration of at least one year.

17 (b) The licensing authority shall issue to the military  
18 spouse a temporary license to allow the military spouse to  
19 perform specified services [~~, under the supervision of a~~  
20 ~~professional licensed by this State if appropriate~~], excluding  
21 construction contracting services, while completing any



1 requirements necessary for licensure in this State [~~provided~~  
2 ~~that a temporary license shall only be issued in those~~  
3 ~~professions where credentials, experience, or passage of a~~  
4 ~~national exam is substantially equivalent to or exceed those~~  
5 ~~established by the licensing authority of this State]~~.

6 (c) The licensing authority shall expedite consideration  
7 of the application and issuance of a license by endorsement,  
8 license by reciprocity, or temporary license to a military  
9 spouse who meets the requirements of this section ~~[-]~~ within  
10 \_\_\_\_\_ days of the receipt of the application, proof of  
11 marriage or partnership, proof of the military spouse's active  
12 duty status, and the affidavit as specified in subsection  
13 (a) (4); provided that review or issuance of a license shall  
14 commence only upon receipt by the licensing authority of all of  
15 the verifying documentation specified in subsection (a) (4).

16 (d) A license by endorsement or reciprocity issued under  
17 subsection (a) shall be valid for the same period of time as a  
18 license issued pursuant to the requirements of title 25 for the  
19 particular profession; provided that the total time period that  
20 a military spouse holds a license issued by endorsement or



1 reciprocity under subsection (a) shall not exceed five years in  
2 the aggregate.

3 (e) The issuance of a license or temporary license under  
4 this section shall not apply to licensure for the performance of  
5 construction contracting services.

6 (f) Each licensing board shall adopt rules necessary to  
7 administer this section and shall publish these rules on its  
8 website and application materials by August 1, 2020."

9 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

11 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Professional and Vocational Licensure; Temporary Licensure by Endorsement; Military Spouses

**Description:**

Specifies the documentation needed for a military spouse to receive a temporary licensure by endorsement. Requires issuance of the license within an unspecified number of days of the application and supporting documents. Excludes construction contracting services from the performance of services permitted under any license or temporary license issues to a military spouse. Requires each licensing board to adopt and publish rules by 8/1/2020 to administer the provisions. Takes effect on 1/1/2050. (HD1)

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