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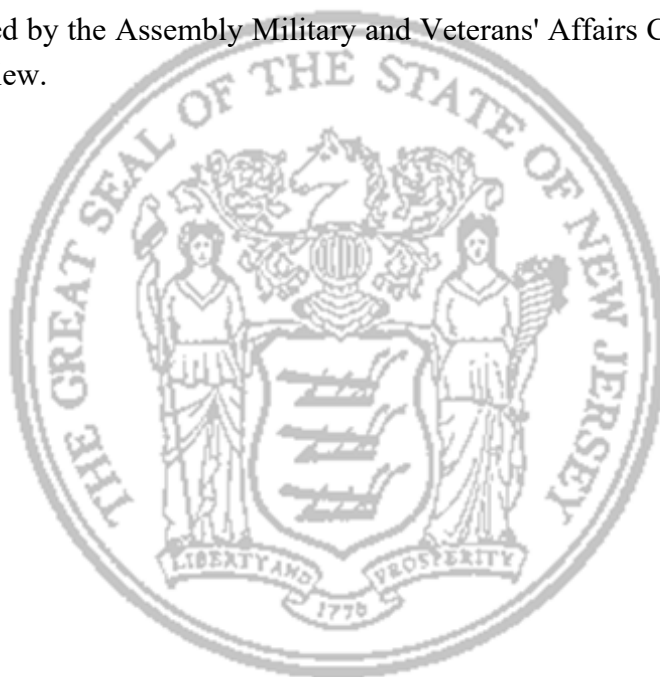
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SYNOPSIS

Requires professional boards to issue licenses for veterans with good standing license or certification in another jurisdiction under certain circumstances.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee with technical review.



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1 AN ACT concerning professional and occupational licenses and
2 supplementing P.L.1978, c.73 (C.45:1-14 et seq.).
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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:
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7 1. a. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
8 contrary, a professional or occupational board designated in section
9 2 of P.L.1978, c.73 (C.45:1-15) that issues a professional or
10 occupational license, certificate of registration, or certification for
11 which professional training, education, or experience is required
12 shall issue the license, certificate of registration, or certification to
13 an applicant with a license and equivalent training, education, and
14 experience received while serving or after serving as a member of
15 the Armed Forces of the United States, regardless of whether the
16 license, training, education, or experience was obtained during or
17 outside the applicant's service with the Armed Forces.

18 b. A professional or occupational board shall issue a license,
19 certificate, or certification to an applicant who presents evidence to
20 the board that:

21 (1) the applicant has been honorably discharged from active
22 military service; and

23 (2) the applicant's license, certificate, or certification is in good
24 standing in another jurisdiction; and

25 (3) the applicant complies with all other requirements for
26 licensure, including, without limitation, any requirement for
27 examination.

28 c. A professional or occupational board may require an
29 applicant to provide any documentation of the applicant's training,
30 education, or experience as it deems necessary by the board to
31 determine eligibility.

32 d. A professional or occupational board shall provide methods
33 of evaluating equivalent training, education, or experience obtained
34 towards meeting the requirements for the issuance of a license,
35 certificate, or certification pursuant to this section; provided
36 however that no method of evaluating experience from another
37 jurisdiction shall operate in such a manner as to require the same
38 number of hours of experience by the applicant.
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40 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the third month
41 next following the date of enactment, except that a board may take
42 any anticipatory administrative action in advance of that date as
43 shall be necessary for the implementation of this act.