## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL LICENSING.

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

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 436B, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by adding two new sections to be appropriately
3	designated and to read as follows:
4	"§436B- Licensure by endorsement or licensure by
5	reciprocity; experience requirements. (a) Unless otherwise
6	provided by law, an applicant for licensure by endorsement or
7	licensure by reciprocity who is a nonresident military spouse
8	may demonstrate competency in a specific profession or vocation
9	as determined by the licensing authority in lieu of a
10	requirement that the applicant has worked or practiced in that
11	profession or vocation for a specified period of time prior to
12	the application for licensure by endorsement or licensure by
13	reciprocity.
14	(b) The licensing authority shall expedite consideration
15	of the application and issuance of a license by endorsement or
16	license by reciprocity to a nonresident military spouse who
17	meets the requirements of this section.

1	§ <b>436</b> 1	B- Licensure by endorsement or licensure by
2	reciproci	ty; initial acceptance by affidavit; temporary license.
3	(a) If a	nonresident military spouse holds a current license in
4	another s	tate, district, or territory of the United States with
5	licensure	requirements that the licensing authority determines
6	are equiv	alent to or exceed those established by the licensing
7	authority	of this State, that nonresident military spouse shall
8	receive a	license pursuant to applicable statutes or
9	requiremen	nts of the licensing authority of this State regarding
10	licensure	by endorsement or licensure by reciprocity; provided
11	that the r	nonresident military spouse:
12	(1)	Has not committed an act in any jurisdiction that
13		would have constituted grounds for the limitation,
14		suspension, or revocation of a license; has never been
15		censured or had other disciplinary action taken; has
16		not had an application for licensure denied; or has
17		not refused to practice a profession or vocation for
18		which the nonresident military spouse seeks licensure;
19	(2)	Has not been disciplined by a licensing or
20		credentialing entity in another jurisdiction; is not
21		the subject of an unresolved complaint, review
22		procedure, or disciplinary proceeding conducted by a

1		licensing or credentialing entity in another
2		jurisdiction; and has not surrendered membership on
3		any professional staff in any professional
4		association, society, or faculty for another state or
5		licensing jurisdiction while under investigation or to
6		avoid adverse action for acts or conduct similar to
7		acts or conduct which would constitute grounds for
8		disciplinary action in this State;
9	(3)	Pays any fees required by the licensing authority of
10		this State; and
11	(4)	Submits with the application a signed affidavit
12		stating that application information, including
13		necessary prior employment history, is true and
14		accurate. Upon receiving the affidavit, the licensing
15		authority shall issue the license to the nonresident
16		military spouse and may revoke the license at any time
17		if the information provided in the application is
18		found to be false.
19	(b)	The licensing authority shall issue to the nonresident
20	military	spouse a temporary license to allow the nonresident
21	military	spouse to perform specified services, under the
22	supervision	on of a professional licensed by this State if
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- 1 appropriate, while completing any requirements necessary for
- 2 licensure in this State; provided that a temporary license shall
- 3 only be issued in those professions where credentials,
- 4 experience, or passage of a national exam is substantially
- 5 equivalent to or exceed those established by the licensing
- 6 authority of this State.
- 7 (c) The licensing authority shall expedite consideration
- 8 of the application and issuance of a license by endorsement,
- 9 license by reciprocity, or temporary license to a nonresident
- 10 military spouse who meets the requirements of this section."
- 11 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
- 12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.

## Report Title:

Licensing; Licensure by Endorsement; Licensure by Reciprocity; Nonresident Military Spouses

## Description:

Permits licensure by endorsement or licensure by reciprocity in certain situations for a nonresident military spouse. Establishes procedures for a nonresident military spouse to receive a license by endorsement or license by reciprocity. Permits issuance of a temporary license if certain requirements are met. Requires the licensing authority to expedite consideration of the application and issuance of a license by endorsement, license by reciprocity, or temporary license to a qualified nonresident military spouse. (SD1)

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