

## CHAPTER 626

AN ACT

SB 688

Relating to professional authorizations; creating new provisions; and amending section 1, chapter 142, Oregon Laws 2019 (Enrolled House Bill 3030).

**Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

**SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

(a) “Professional licensing board” has the meaning given that term in section 1, chapter 142, Oregon Laws 2019 (Enrolled House Bill 3030).

(b) “Temporary authorization” means an authorization issued under section 1, chapter 142, Oregon Laws 2019 (Enrolled House Bill 3030).

(2) Not later than December 31 of each year, a professional licensing board shall report, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to veterans on the following information:

(a) The number of temporary authorizations issued to spouses or domestic partners of members of the Armed Forces of the United States who are stationed in this state;

(b) The number of applications for temporary authorization received by the professional licensing board for which the professional licensing board did not issue temporary authorizations, and the reasons for which the temporary authorizations were not issued;

(c) The amount of time used to process and issue the temporary authorizations;

(d) The professional licensing board’s efforts to implement and maintain a process to issue temporary authorizations; and

(e) Any other information relevant to the professional licensing board’s efforts to assist spouses or domestic partners of members of the Armed Forces of the United States who are stationed in this state with obtaining temporary authorization.

**SECTION 2.** Section 1, chapter 142, Oregon Laws 2019 (Enrolled House Bill 3030), is amended to read:

**Sec. 1. (1) As used in this section:**

(a) “Occupational or professional service” means a service:

(A) For which an individual must possess a license, certificate or other form of authorization to provide under the laws of this state; and

(B) Over which a professional licensing board has regulatory oversight.

(b) “Professional licensing board” means a state agency or board that licenses, certifies or otherwise authorizes individuals to provide an occupational or professional service.

(2) A professional licensing board [may] **shall** issue a temporary authorization to provide the occupational or professional service regulated by the professional licensing board to a person who:

(a) Is the spouse of a member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is stationed in this state;

(b) Holds a current authorization to provide the occupational or professional service issued by another state and the professional licensing board determines that the other state’s authorization requirements are substantially similar to those of the professional licensing board;

(c) Provides to the professional licensing board, in a manner determined by the professional licensing board, sufficient proof that the person is in good standing with the issuing out-of-state professional licensing board; and

(d) Has demonstrated competency, as determined by the professional licensing board by rule, over the occupational or professional service regulated by the professional licensing board.

(3)(a) A temporary authorization issued under this section is valid until the earliest of the following:

(A) Two years after the date of issuance;

(B) The date the spouse of the person to whom the authorization was issued completes the spouse’s term of service in this state; or

(C) The date the person’s authorization issued by another state expires.

(b) An authorization issued under this section is not renewable. A person may not continue to provide the occupational or professional service unless the person is issued a full authorization under the laws of this state to provide the occupational or professional service.

(4) A professional licensing board may adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section.

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