

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 HB5520

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 5/5-715

Amends the Departments of State Government Law. Provides that expedited temporary occupational or professional licenses issued to service members and the spouses of service members meeting specified requirements shall be valid for 3 years (currently, valid 6 months) after the date of issuance or until a license is granted or a notice to deny a license is issued in accordance with rules adopted by the department issuing the license, whichever occurs first. Provides that the required fee paid in the application process for an expedited temporary occupational or professional license issued to service members and the spouses of service members shall be refundable (currently, not refundable).

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 2 represented in the General Assembly: 3

- 4 Section 5. The Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is 5 amended by changing Section 5-715 as follows:
- (20 ILCS 5/5-715) 6

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- 7 Sec. 5-715. Expedited licensure for service members and 8 spouses.
 - (a) In this Section, "service member" means any person who, at the time of application under this Section, is an active duty member of the United States Armed Forces or any reserve component of the United States Armed Forces or the National Guard of any state, commonwealth, or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia or whose active duty service concluded within the preceding 2 years before application.
- (b) Each director of a department that issues occupational or professional license is authorized to and shall issue an expedited temporary occupational or professional license to a service member who meets the requirements under this Section. The temporary occupational or professional license shall be valid for 3 years 6 months after the date of issuance or until a license is granted or a notice to deny a license is issued in accordance with rules adopted by the 2.3

- department issuing the license, whichever occurs first. No temporary occupational or professional license shall be renewed. The service member shall apply to the department on forms provided by the department. An application must include proof that:
 - (1) the applicant is a service member;
 - (2) the applicant holds a valid license in good standing for the occupation or profession issued by another state, commonwealth, possession, or territory of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any foreign jurisdiction and the requirements for licensure in the other jurisdiction are determined by the department to be substantially equivalent to the standards for licensure of this State;
 - (3) the applicant is assigned to a duty station in this State or has established legal residence in this State;
 - (4) a complete set of the applicant's fingerprints has been submitted to the Department of State Police for statewide and national criminal history checks, if applicable to the requirements of the department issuing the license; the applicant shall pay the fee to the Department of State Police or to the fingerprint vendor for electronic fingerprint processing; no temporary occupational or professional license shall be issued to an applicant if the statewide or national criminal history check discloses information that would cause the denial of

- an application for licensure under any applicable occupational or professional licensing Act;
 - (5) the applicant is not ineligible for licensure pursuant to Section 2105-165 of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois;
 - (6) the applicant has submitted an application for full licensure; and
 - (7) the applicant has paid the required fee; fees shall not be refundable.
 - (c) Each director of a department that issues an occupational or professional license is authorized to and shall issue an expedited temporary occupational or professional license to the spouse of a service member who meets the requirements under this Section. The temporary occupational or professional license shall be valid for 3 years 6 months after the date of issuance or until a license is granted or a notice to deny a license is issued in accordance with rules adopted by the department issuing the license, whichever occurs first. No temporary occupational or professional license shall be renewed. The spouse of a service member shall apply to the department on forms provided by the department. An application must include proof that:
 - (1) the applicant is the spouse of a service member;
 - (2) the applicant holds a valid license in good standing for the occupation or profession issued by another state, commonwealth, possession, or territory of the

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United States, the District of Columbia, or any foreign jurisdiction and the requirements for licensure in the other jurisdiction are determined by the department to be substantially equivalent to the standards for licensure of this State;

- (3) the applicant's spouse is assigned to a duty station in this State or has established legal residence in this State;
- (4) a complete set of the applicant's fingerprints has been submitted to the Department of State Police for statewide and national criminal history checks, applicable to the requirements of the department issuing license; the applicant shall pay the fee to the Department of State Police or to the fingerprint vendor for fingerprint electronic processing; no occupational or professional license shall be issued to an applicant if the statewide or national criminal history check discloses information that would cause the denial of application for licensure under any applicable an occupational or professional licensing Act;
- (5) the applicant is not ineligible for licensure pursuant to Section 2105-165 of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois;
- (6) the applicant has submitted an application for full licensure; and
 - (7) the applicant has paid the required fee; fees shall

1 not be refundable.

- (d) All relevant experience of a service member in the discharge of official duties, including full-time and part-time experience, shall be credited in the calculation of any years of practice in an occupation or profession as may be required under any applicable occupational or professional licensing Act. All relevant training provided by the military and completed by a service member shall be credited to that service member as meeting any training or education requirement under any applicable occupational or professional licensing Act, provided that the training or education is determined by the department to be substantially equivalent to that required under any applicable Act and is not otherwise contrary to any other licensure requirement.
- (e) A department may adopt any rules necessary for the implementation and administration of this Section and shall by rule provide for fees for the administration of this Section.
- 18 (Source: P.A. 97-710, eff. 1-1-13; 98-463, eff. 8-16-13.)