

HB3639



101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB3639

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2105/2105-140

Amends the Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Requires the Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation, in consultation with the State Refugee Coordinator, to examine means of reducing unnecessary barriers to professional licensure for qualified immigrants to Illinois from foreign countries. Provides that, on or before July 1, 2020, the Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation must submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly of his or her findings and any recommendations for legislative action.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 5. The Department of Professional Regulation Law of
5 the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by
6 changing Section 2105-140 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2105/2105-140)

8 Sec. 2105-140. Licensure; immigration status.

9 (a) No person shall be denied a license, certificate,
10 limited permit, or registration issued by the Department solely
11 based on his or her citizenship status or immigration status.
12 The General Assembly finds and declares that this Section is a
13 State law within the meaning of subsection (d) of Section 1621
14 of Title 8 of the United States Code. Nothing in this Section
15 shall affect the requirements to obtain a professional license
16 that are not directly related to citizenship status or
17 immigration status. Nothing in this Section shall be construed
18 to grant eligibility for obtaining any public benefit other
19 than a professional license issued by the Department.

20 (b) The Secretary of Financial and Professional
21 Regulation, in consultation with the State Refugee
22 Coordinator, shall examine means of reducing unnecessary
23 barriers to professional licensure for qualified immigrants to

1 Illinois from foreign countries. On or before July 1, 2020, the
2 Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation must submit
3 a report to the Governor and the General Assembly of his or her
4 findings and any recommendations for legislative action.

5 (Source: P.A. 100-1078, eff. 1-1-19.)