



96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HB5730

Introduced 2/9/2010, by Rep. Sandy Cole

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2105/2105-23 new

Amends Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that the Department shall allow any person who is licensed by the Department to place his or her license into hibernation status for up to one year if (i) the licensee was employed by an employer in his or her licensed profession for at least one year and subsequently lost his or her job, but was not fired for cause, (ii) the licensee applies to the Department to have his or her license placed into hibernation status within one year of losing his or her job, and (iii) the licensee is not subject to any disciplinary action or investigation by the Department. Provides that a licensee that has his or her license placed into hibernation status shall not be required to pay any fees owed to the Department at the time his or her license was placed into hibernation status until (i) the licensee requests that his or her license be taken out of hibernation status or (ii) the license has been in hibernation status for one year. Provides that prior to having his or her license restored to active status, a licensee shall be required to pay any fees owed to the Department prior to the period in which his or her license was in hibernation status, but need not pay any fee with respect to the hibernation period. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning professional regulation.

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 adding
6 Section 2105-23 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2105/2105-23 new)

8 Sec. 2105-23. Licenses place into hibernation status.

9 (a) Notwithstanding anything that may appear in any
10 individual licensing statute or administrative rule, the
11 Department shall allow any person who is licensed by the
12 Department to place his or her license into hibernation status
13 for up to one year if the following conditions are met:

14 (1) the licensee provides proof to the Department that
15 he or she was employed by an employer in his or her
16 licensed profession for at least one year and subsequently
17 lost his or her job, but was not fired for cause;

18 (2) the licensee applies to the Department to have his
19 or her license placed into hibernation status within one
20 year of losing his or her job; and

21 (3) the licensee is not subject to any disciplinary
22 action or investigation by the Department.

23 (b) A licensee that has his or her license placed into

1 hibernation status shall not be required to pay any fees owed
2 to the Department at the time his or her license was placed
3 into hibernation status until:

4 (1) the licensee requests that his or her license be
5 taken out of hibernation status; or

6 (2) the license has been in hibernation status for one
7 year, the maximum length of time allowed.

8 (c) Prior to having his or her license restored to active
9 status, a licensee shall be required to pay any fees owed to
10 the Department prior to the period in which his or her license
11 was in hibernation status, but need not pay any fee with
12 respect to the hibernation period.

13 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
14 becoming law.