

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 143

BY BUSINESS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING REFORM; AMENDING TITLE 67, IDAHO CODE,  
2 BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW CHAPTER 93, TITLE 67, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE  
3 A SHORT TITLE, TO PROVIDE A DECLARATION OF POLICY, TO PROVIDE DEFINI-  
4 TIONS, TO PROVIDE FOR MILITARY QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSURE, TO PROVIDE  
5 FOR CERTAIN EXPEDITED APPLICATIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN LICEN-  
6 SURE BY ENDORSEMENT; AND REPEALING SECTION 67-2620, IDAHO CODE, REGARD-  
7 ING MILITARY EDUCATION TRAINING AND SERVICE.  
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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

10 SECTION 1. That Title 67, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended  
11 by the addition thereto of a NEW CHAPTER, to be known and designated as Chap-  
12 ter 93, Title 67, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

13 CHAPTER 93

14 OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING REFORM ACT

15 67-9301. SHORT TITLE. This chapter shall be known and may be cited as  
16 the "Occupational Licensing Reform Act."

17 67-9302. DECLARATION OF POLICY. The Idaho legislature, recognizing a  
18 need for occupational licensing reform, declares it to be the policy of the  
19 state to adopt a comprehensive and proactive approach to reducing occupa-  
20 tional licensing constraints and barriers.

21 67-9303. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter:

22 (1) "Armed forces" means the army, navy, marine corps, coast guard, air  
23 force, and the reserve components thereof.

24 (2) "Honorable conditions" means an honorable discharge or a general  
25 discharge "under honorable conditions."

26 (3) "Licensing authority" means any agency, bureau, commission, de-  
27 partment, division, or professional or occupational licensing board charged  
28 with granting, suspending, or revoking the license, certificate, registra-  
29 tion, permit, or other authorization of any person to practice a profession  
30 or occupation, including but not limited to the professional and occupa-  
31 tional licensing boards within the department of self-governing agencies.

32 (4) "Licensure" means license, certificate, registration, permit, or  
33 other authorization of any person to practice a profession or occupation.

34 (5) "Military" means the armed forces or reserves of the United States,  
35 the national guard of any state, the military reserves of any state, or the  
36 naval militia of any state.

37 (6) "Veteran" means any person who has been discharged or released from  
38 active duty in the armed forces under honorable conditions provided they

1 have served on active duty for a minimum of one hundred eighty (180) consecu-  
2 tive days.

3 67-9304. MILITARY EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND SERVICE -- QUALIFICATIONS  
4 FOR LICENSURE. A licensing authority shall accept relevant and applicable  
5 military education, training, or service by an individual as a member of the  
6 armed forces or a veteran toward the qualifications to receive licensure.  
7 Each licensing authority shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions  
8 of this subsection.

9 67-9305. EXPEDITED APPLICATION -- MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY AND  
10 SPOUSES. A licensing authority shall expedite the application of a member  
11 of the military, a former member of the military within one (1) year after  
12 discharge under honorable conditions, or a spouse of either such person, to  
13 receive licensure if such member, former member, or spouse possesses neces-  
14 sary education, qualifications, licensure, or certification from another  
15 state, district, or territory of the United States, or in any branch of the  
16 armed forces or the national guard. Each licensing authority shall promul-  
17 gate rules to implement the provisions of this section.

18 67-9306. LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT -- MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY AND  
19 SPOUSES. A licensing authority shall establish a procedure for the issuance  
20 of licensure by endorsement to a member of the military, a former member of  
21 the military within one (1) year after discharge under honorable conditions,  
22 or a spouse of either such person, if such person possesses current and valid  
23 licensure in another state, district, or territory of the United States, or  
24 in any branch of the armed forces or the national guard. Each licensing au-  
25 thority shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section.

26 SECTION 2. That Section [67-2620](#), Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby  
27 repealed.