

2016 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 283

BY SENATOR HEWITT

MILITARY AFFAIRS. Provides for application by certain military personnel to be certified as a licensed professional engineer in Louisiana. (8/1/16)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:3651(A)(1), relative to professions and occupations; to
3 provide for trained military personnel applying for certification as a professional
4 engineer; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 37:3651(A)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §3651. Licensure for individuals with military training and experience;
8 licensure by endorsement for military spouses; temporary
9 license; expedited process

10 A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a professional
11 or occupational licensing board shall issue a license, certification, or registration to
12 a military-trained applicant to allow the applicant to lawfully practice the applicant's
13 occupation in this state if, upon application to the board, the applicant satisfies all of
14 the following conditions:

15 (1) Has completed a military program of training, been awarded a military
16 occupational specialty, and performed in that specialty at a level that is substantially
17 equivalent to or exceeds the educational, examination, experience and other

1 requirements for licensure, certification, or registration of the professional or
 2 occupational licensing board for which the applicant is seeking licensure,
 3 certification, or registration in this state, **provided the applicant has otherwise met**
 4 **all of the minimum requirements for licensure, certification, or registration of**
 5 **the licensing board.**

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The original instrument was prepared by Heyward Jeffers. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Jerry G. Jones.

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Present law provides that a military-trained applicant shall be issued a license, certification, or registration by the state engineering board if the applicant has received a military occupation specialty in engineering.

Proposed law provides that armed forces personnel who have received military training in engineering and have a military occupation specialty in engineering may apply for state certification as a professional engineer but must satisfy the certifying board's minimum requirement standards.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Amends R.S. 37:3651(A)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs to the original bill

1. Included equivalency for educational, examination, experience, and other requirements.