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H.B. No. 4146

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the temporary occupational licensing of members of the military.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 55, Occupations Code, is amended by amending the chapter heading to read as follows:

CHAPTER 55. ~~RENEWAL OF~~ LICENSE WHILE ON MILITARY DUTY

SECTION 2. Chapter 55, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Section 55.004 to read as follows:

Sec. 55.004. TEMPORARY LICENSE. (a) A state agency that issues a license shall adopt rules for the expedited issuance of a temporary license to an applicant who is serving on active duty as a member of the armed forces of the United States.

(b) The state agency shall issue the temporary license under this section to a qualified applicant who:

(1) submits an application on a form prescribed by the agency; and

(2) pays the required fees.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2009.