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By:  Hernandez H.B. No. 2214

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of a temporary occupational license to certain military service members, military veterans, and military spouses.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter H, Chapter 51, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Section 51.40135 to read as follows:

Sec. 51.40135.  TEMPORARY LICENSE FOR MILITARY SERVICE MEMBER, MILITARY VETERAN, OR MILITARY SPOUSE. (a) In this section, "military service member," "military veteran," and "military spouse" have the meanings assigned by Section 55.001.

(b)  The department shall review each type of license issued by the department to identify the licenses for which a significant number of military service members, military veterans, or military spouses submit applications.

(c)  The commission shall adopt rules to provide for the expedited issuance of a temporary license to an applicant who:

(1)  is a military service member, military veteran, or military spouse;

(2)  applies for the issuance of a license identified by the department under Subsection (b); and

(3)  holds a current license issued by another jurisdiction that has license requirements that are substantially equivalent to the license requirements of this state.

SECTION 2.  Not later than January 1, 2020, the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation shall adopt the rules required by Section 51.40135, Occupations Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.