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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the entitlement of certain military veterans to obtain a nursing license by examination.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 301.253, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

(h)  A military veteran as defined by Section 55.001 who served as a nurse in any branch of the armed forces of the United States is entitled to take the examination prescribed by the board one time without having to prove completion of a program of professional or vocational nursing education under Section 301.157. The board shall waive the requirement that the person complete a program of nursing education as a prerequisite to obtaining a license if the person obtains a passing score on the examination.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.