

**CHAPTER 107****( HB 91 )**

AN ACT relating to the issuance and renewal of occupational licenses to military spouses.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔Section 1. KRS 12.357 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) Notwithstanding any other statute to the contrary, an administrative body shall issue, *without requiring the payment of dues or fees*, a temporary or regular license or certificate within thirty (30) days to the spouse of a ~~a current~~<sup>an active duty</sup> member of the Armed Forces of the United States if the spouse of the ~~service~~<sup>active duty</sup> member meets the statutory requirements of the administrative body and applies to the administrative body in a format promulgated in administrative regulation by the administrative body.
- (2) An application for temporary or regular licensure of the spouse of a ~~a current~~<sup>an active duty</sup> member of the Armed Forces of the United States shall include but not be limited to the following:
  - (a) Proof that the applicant is married to a ~~a current~~<sup>an active duty</sup> member of the Armed Forces of the United States;
  - (b) Proof that the applicant holds a valid license or certificate for the profession issued by another state, the District of Columbia, or any possession or territory of the United States; *and*
  - (c) Proof that the applicant's spouse is assigned to a duty station in this state ~~and that the applicant is also assigned to a duty station in this state pursuant to the spouse's official active duty military orders~~; *and*
  - (d) ~~An application fee to be established by the administrative body in an amount that is no more than is necessary to offset the cost of issuing the temporary or regular license~~.
- (3) A temporary license issued pursuant to this section shall expire six (6) months after the date of issuance and is not renewable.
- (4) (a) *Notwithstanding any other statute to the contrary, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, an administrative body shall initially issue or renew any regular occupational license to the spouse of a current member of the Armed Forces of the United States if:*
  1. *The spouse meets the statutory requirements for initial issuance or renewal of the occupational license by the administrative body;*
  2. *The spouse applies for the initial issuance or renewal of the occupational license to the administrative body in a format promulgated in administrative regulation by the administrative body; and*
  3. *The spouse's application for the initial issuance or renewal of the occupational license is submitted to the administrative body before the regular application deadline for the original license or renewal.*

(b) *An administrative body that requires payment of dues or fees for the submission of an electronic application for an occupational license shall, within thirty (30) days, refund the dues or fees paid by a spouse of a current member of the Armed Forces of the United States if the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subsection are met.*

Signed by Governor April 8, 2022.