

1 AN ACT relating to occupational licenses for United States military and veterans.

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

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 12 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) An administrative body that issues a license, permit, certificate, or other*
6 *document required to operate within a business, profession, or other occupation*
7 *in the Commonwealth shall issue within thirty (30) days of receipt of an*
8 *application a license, permit, certificate, or other document to a United States*
9 *military service member or veteran who is seeking a license, permit, certificate, or*
10 *other document and currently holds or recently held equivalent documentation*
11 *issued by another state, the District of Columbia, or any possession or territory of*
12 *the United States unless:*

13 *(a) The license, permit, certificate, or other document issued by another state,*
14 *the District of Columbia, or any possession or territory of the United States*
15 *has been expired for more than two (2) years;*

16 *(b) The license, permit, certificate, or other documentation is not in good*
17 *standing;*

18 *(c) The holder of the license, permit, certificate, or other document has had the*
19 *license, permit, certificate, or other document suspended for disciplinary*
20 *reasons; or*

21 *(d) The board can show substantive evidence of significant statutory deficiency*
22 *in the training, education, or experience of the United States military*
23 *service member or veteran, which could cause a health or safety risk to the*
24 *public.*

25 *(2) The United States military service member or veteran shall submit:*

26 *(a) Proof of issuance of a valid license, permit, certificate, or other document*
27 *issued by another state, the District of Columbia, or any possession or*

- 1 territory of the United States that is active or has been expired for less than
2 two (2) years;
- 3 (b) Proof that the valid license, permit, certificate, or other document issued by
4 another state, the District of Columbia, or any possession or territory of the
5 United States is in good standing or was upon the date of expiration; and
- 6 (c) His or her DD-214 form or other proof of active or prior military service
7 with an honorable discharge, discharge under honorable conditions, or a
8 general discharge under honorable conditions.
- 9 (3) A United States military service member or veteran who holds a license, permit,
10 certificate, or other document issued by another state, the District of Columbia,
11 or any possession or territory of the United States who applies for a license,
12 permit, certificate, or other document pursuant to subsection (1) of this section
13 and is denied shall have the right to appeal the decision in accordance with KRS
14 Chapter 13B.