Military Spouses: Temporary RN Licenses

Legislation enacted during the 2014 Session

AB 186 (Maienschein) Chapter 640 an act to add Section 115.6 to the Business and Professions Code, in addition to the expedited licensure, this provision does establish temporary license provision to expire 12 months after issuance.

This bill would, in addition to the expedited licensure provisions establish a temporary licensure process for specified licensed professions for an applicant who holds a current, active, and unrestricted license in another jurisdiction, as specified, and who supplies satisfactory evidence of being married to, or in a domestic partnership or other legal union with, an active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is assigned to a duty station in California under official active duty military orders. The added section to Business and Professions would require a temporary license issued pursuant to these provisions to expire 12 months after issuance, upon issuance of an expedited license, or upon denial of the application for expedited licensure by the board, whichever comes first.

Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of various professions and vocations by boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law provides for the issuance of reciprocal licenses in certain fields where the applicant, among other requirements, has a license to practice within that field in another jurisdiction, as specified. Existing law requires that the licensing fees imposed by certain boards within the department be deposited in funds that are continuously appropriated. Existing law requires a board within the department to expedite the licensure process for an applicant who holds a current license in another jurisdiction in the same profession or vocation and who supplies satisfactory evidence of being married to, or in a domestic partnership or other legal union with, an active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is assigned to a duty station in California under official active duty military orders.

Because the Section 115.6 Business and Professions Code would authorize the expenditure of continuously appropriated funds for a new purpose, the bill would make an appropriation.