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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to occupational license application and examination fees for certain military service members, military veterans, and military spouses.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 55, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Section 55.009 to read as follows:

Sec. 55.009. LICENSE APPLICATION AND EXAMINATION FEES.

Notwithstanding any other law, a state agency that issues a license shall waive the license application and examination fees for an applicant who is:

(1) a military service member or military veteran whose military service, training, or education substantially meets all of the requirements for the license; or

(2) a military service member, military veteran, or military spouse who holds a current license issued by another jurisdiction that has licensing requirements that are substantially equivalent to the requirements for the license in this state.

SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to an application for an occupational license filed on or after the effective date of this Act. An application for a license filed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect immediately before that date, and that law is continued in

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1 effect for that purpose.

2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.