ENTITLED, An Act to provide for professional or occupational licensure for certain active duty military personnel and spouses.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. That § 36-1B-1 be amended to read:

36-1B-1. Notwithstanding any other provision in law and unless an applicant is found by the board to have engaged in any act that may constitute grounds for disciplinary action, any licensing body under the provisions of this title shall, within thirty days of receiving a completed application, issue a license, certificate, registration, or permit required for the practice of any business, profession, or occupation in South Dakota to an applicant whose application has been deemed completed by the board and:

- (1) Who holds in good standing the same or similar valid license, certificate, registration, or permit required for the practice of any business, profession, or occupation issued by another state or the District of Columbia;
- (2) Who is an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States or the spouse of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States; and
- (3) Who is the subject of a military transfer to South Dakota.

An application is considered complete once the applicable licensing board has received all required documentation necessary to process the application.

If a licensing body denies the issuance of a license, certificate, registration, or permit to an applicant pursuant to this section, the licensing body shall report the denial and the reasons for the denial to the Department of Labor and Regulation.

Section 2. That chapter 36-1B be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:

Any license, certificate, registration, or permit issued pursuant to § 36-1B-1 may be renewed

until any of the following events occur:

- (1) Active duty orders transfer the applicant out of South Dakota;
- (2) The applicant no longer holds in good standing the same or similar valid license, certificate, registration, or permit required for the practice of any business, profession, or occupation issued by another state or the District of Columbia;
- (3) The applicant fails to adhere to the requirements of the applicable South Dakota licensing body to maintain license, certificate, registration, or permit; or
- (4) The full-time active duty status of the member of the armed forces stationed in South Dakota is terminated.

Section 3. That § 36-1B-4 be amended to read:

36-1B-4. No licensing body under this title may charge an application fee or any other fee payable to the licensing body for a license, certificate, registration, or permit issued pursuant to § 36-1B-1. For the purposes of this section, the term, permit, does not include any permit referenced in this title that is required to perform installation work subject to inspection.

Section 4. That § 36-1B-5 be amended to read:

36-1B-5. Each licensing body under the provisions of this title may promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 to establish procedures to provide for the expedited issuance of a license, certificate, registration, or permit pursuant to § 36-1B-1.

Section 5. That § 36-1B-2 be repealed.

Section 6. That § 36-1B-3 be repealed.

Section 7. That § 13-42-67 be amended to read:

13-42-67. Unless there is cause to refuse to issue the certificate pursuant to §§ 13-42-7 to 13-42-10, inclusive, the secretary shall, within thirty days of receiving a completed application, issue a teaching certificate to an applicant whose application has been deemed completed by the Department of Education and:

- Who holds in good standing a valid certificate issued by another state or the District of Columbia;
- (2) Who is an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States or the spouse of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States; and
- (3) Who is the subject of a military transfer to South Dakota.

An application is considered complete once the department has received all required documentation necessary to process the application. No applicant for a certificate issued pursuant to this section is required to pay an application fee or any other fee payable to the department.

If the secretary denies the issuance of a certificate to an applicant pursuant to this section, the secretary shall report the denial and the reasons for the denial to the Department of Labor and Regulation.

Section 8. That § 13-42-69 be amended to read:

13-42-69. Any certificate issued pursuant to § 13-42-67 shall be limited for a period not to exceed the applicant's length of tour during the time the holder of the certificate continues to meet the eligibility requirements of § 13-42-67. Nothing in this section prohibits the secretary from suspending or revoking the certificate for failure to fulfill the requirements of § 13-42-67.

Section 9. That chapter 36-1B be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:

Nothing in this Act may be construed to override, supersede, or invalidate any compact or agreement already in place within any profession regulated under titles 13 or 36.

Nothing in this Act prohibits any active duty military member or military spouse from seeking a professional license, certification, registration, or permit as otherwise provided in law for any profession regulated under titles 13 or 36.

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I certify that the attached Act originated in the

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HOUSE as Bill No. 1111

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Speaker of the House

Attest:

Chief Clerk

President of the Senate

Secretary of the Senate

\_\_\_\_\_ Received at this Executive Office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_,

20\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_\_ M.

By\_\_\_\_\_ for the Governor ------

The attached Act is hereby approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A.D., 20\_\_\_\_

Governor

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, SS. Office of the Secretary of State

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