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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6276**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1450

**NOTE PREPARED:** Nov 12, 2020

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Military Family Occupational Licenses.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. May

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**  GENERAL  
 DEDICATED  
 FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill provides that a military service applicant who has held an occupational license, certification, registration, or permit (license) in another jurisdiction for at least one year may qualify for an Indiana license. The bill removes the requirement that an applicant have a license for at least two of the five years preceding the date of the application. It provides that an applicant may not have a complaint or investigation pending before an occupational licensing board that relates to unprofessional conduct or an alleged crime.

The bill also provides that a military member's dependent may apply for an occupational license under the same conditions as a military member's spouse. The bill requires the board to issue a license to an applicant upon application based on work experience in another state if certain conditions are met.

The bill also allows an applicant to appeal a final determination of the board. It makes a technical correction.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2021.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** Current statute already requires occupational licenses issued through the Professional Licensing Agency (PLA) and the Departments of Insurance (DOI), Labor (DOL), Natural Resources (DNR), and State Police (SPD) to be granted on the basis of reciprocity or prior professional experience to qualified applicants who are military members or military spouses. The bill extends this benefit to dependents of military members and reduces statutory requirements for military members, spouses, and dependents to be licensed in Indiana based on licensure in another state or equivalent work experience without a license. The bill also requires the licensing board or agency to expedite the issuance or renewal of a license for a military dependent, and allows for military members, spouses, or dependents to appeal

licensing determinations made by the board or agency. To the extent that these provisions result in additional license applications or appeals among military families, licensing agencies may experience additional workload. This impact is expected to be minimal. Additionally, these agencies may need to revise administrative rules and procedures to process license applications of military families in accordance with the bill. These actions are within the agencies' routine administrative functions and should be able to be implemented with no additional appropriations.

**Explanation of State Revenues:** *License Fees* - If the bill results in additional military members, spouses, and dependents applying for occupational licenses in Indiana, revenue from license fees will increase. Fees for licenses issued by boards within PLA are distributed to the General Fund. DOI, DOL, and DNR deposit license fees in dedicated funds. Any additional revenue is expected to be minimal.

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** PLA, DOI, DOL, DNR, SPD.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:** IC 25-1-17-1; Legislative Services Agency, *Indiana Handbook of Taxes, Revenues, and Appropriations*, FY 2020.

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