HB 584 -- LICENSURE RECIPROCITY

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This bill removes a requirement that a person who is licensed in another state and is applying for licensure in Missouri for the same occupation apply for licensure at the same practice level as his or her current license.

The bill states that a the board must waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for licensure within 60 days of receiving an application from a health care professional. The requirements must be waived as soon as immediately practicable for a health care professional during an emergency. Under current law, statute allows a wait time of up to six months.

The bill removes a provision that an oversight body cannot grant a license by reciprocity to an applicant who is currently under investigation, has a complaint pending, or who is under disciplinary action in another state.

This bill contains an emergency clause.