

# HOUSE BILL NO. 2398

## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE GRIER.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

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### AN ACT

To amend chapter 324, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to temporary licensing of professionals, with a contingent effective date.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 324, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 324.1500, to read as follows:

3 **324.1500. The Interstate Compact for the Temporary Licensure of Professionals**  
4 **is hereby enacted into law and entered into with all other jurisdictions legally joining this**  
5 **compact, which is substantially as follows:**

#### SECTION I

##### PURPOSE

6 **The purpose of this compact is to:**

- 7 **(1) Allow member states to expediently grant a temporary license to eligible**  
8 **licensees moving to their state;**  
9 **(2) Allow eligible licensees moving to a member state time to meet the licensure**  
10 **requirements of the destination state while practicing their occupation; and**  
11 **(3) Increase the mobility of professional licenses, safeguard the health and safety**  
12 **of the public, and enhance the workforce in member states.**

#### SECTION II

##### DEFINITIONS

13 **Terms used in this compact mean:**  
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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.





87 **TERMS OF TEMPORARY LICENSE**

88 **The temporary license shall be for a term of eighteen consecutive months unless the**  
89 **applicant is a military spouse. If the applicant is a military spouse the temporary license**  
90 **shall be for a term of two consecutive years. A temporary license is nonrenewable except**  
91 **that any member state may decide to make temporary licenses for any or all occupations**  
92 **renewable by law. An individual holding a temporary license is authorized to work as a**  
93 **licensed professional in the destination state consistent with all applicable laws and**  
94 **regulations of the destination state and the licensure authority that issued the temporary**  
95 **license. A temporary license from a destination state only authorizes work as a licensed**  
96 **professional within that state, and does not create, eliminate, or otherwise affect any**  
97 **authorization to work as a licensed professional outside the destination state. A licensee**  
98 **utilizing a temporary license shall notify the licensing authority of the destination state if**  
99 **any adverse action is taken against the licensee by any jurisdiction in which the licensee**  
100 **holds a license.**

101 **SECTION VIII**  
102 **JURISDICTION OVER LICENSEES**

103 **An individual issued a temporary license by a destination state automatically**  
104 **submits himself or herself to the jurisdiction of the licensing authority of the destination**  
105 **state such that the licensing authority is authorized to take any action against a temporary**  
106 **license that it is authorized to take against a regular licensee. Other member states,**  
107 **however, retain jurisdiction to impose adverse action against their own licensees.**

108 **SECTION IX**  
109 **STATE LAW SUPERCEDED**

110 **All member states' laws, except for state constitutions and opt-out provisions**  
111 **adopted pursuant to section VI of this compact, are superseded by the Interstate Compact**  
112 **for the Temporary Licensure of Professionals, but only to the extent of a conflict.**  
113 **Whenever possible, this compact and any other licensing compact shall be interpreted to**  
114 **avoid conflicts between the compacts. The option of temporary licensure that this compact**  
115 **creates is intended to coexist with the option of licensure or authorization to work created**  
116 **by other interstate licensing compacts specific to a profession. Nothing in this compact**  
117 **shall be construed to require a licensing authority to issue a temporary license if such**  
118 **issuance would jeopardize the member state's ability to participate in a separate licensing**  
119 **compact specific to a profession. Furthermore, nothing in this compact shall be construed**  
120 **to limit the ability of a licensing authority to issue a license pursuant to a state or federal**  
121 **law that allows for issuance of licenses in a more expedited manner.**

122 **SECTION X**

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**EFFECTIVE DATE**

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**Any state is eligible to become a member state. This compact shall become effective and binding upon legislative enactment of this compact into law by no less than two states. The initial effective date shall be the later of July 1, 2018, or upon the date the law is enacted in the second jurisdiction to join this compact. Thereafter this compact becomes effective and binding as to any other member state upon the date the law is enacted in that state.**

**SECTION XI**

**WITHDRAWAL**

**Any member state may withdraw from this compact by specifically repealing the law that enacted this compact. The effective date of the withdrawal is the effective date of the repeal. Any temporary license issued by the member state prior to the withdrawal date is not affected by withdrawal.**

**SECTION XII**

**INSUBSTANTIAL DIFFERENCES**

**The validity of this compact is not be affected by any insubstantial differences in its form or language as adopted by any member state.**

Section B. The enactment of section 324.1500 of section A of this act shall become effective August 28, 2018, or upon legislative enactment of the compact into law by no less than two states, whichever later occurs.

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