

SENATE BILL NO. 929

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR KOENIG.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

AN ACT

To amend chapter 324, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to exemptions from continuing education requirements for certain licensed professionals.

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

Section A. Chapter 324, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto
2 one new section, to be known as section 324.018, to read as
3 follows:

324.018. 1. For the purposes of this section, the
2 following terms shall mean:

3 (1) "Continuing education requirement", a licensee's
4 obligation to complete training or educational activities to
5 satisfy the standards of the licensing authority in order to
6 renew or maintain a license;

7 (2) "License", a license, certificate, registration,
8 permit, or accreditation that enables a person to legally
9 practice an occupation, profession, or activity in the state;

10 (3) "Licensing authority", an agency, examining board,
11 credentialing board, or other office of the state with the
12 authority to impose occupational fees or licensing
13 requirements on any profession;

14 (4) "Reporting period", a period of time in which a
15 licensing authority requires a licensee to certify
16 compliance with a continuing education requirement in order
17 to renew or maintain a license.

18 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
19 contrary, a licensing authority shall issue an exemption to
20 a licensee from a continuing education requirement for a
21 reporting period, if the licensee:

22 (1) Holds a current valid license; and

23 (2) Self-certifies to having actively participated in
24 the practice of the licensed occupation for no less than one
25 thousand hours every twelve months during the applicable
26 reporting period.

27 3. A licensee seeking an exemption described under
28 subsection 2 of this section shall apply to the appropriate
29 licensing authority in a format prescribed by the licensing
30 authority. The licensing authority shall approve or deny
31 the application for exemption within thirty days of receipt.

32 4. A licensing authority shall post a permanent and
33 conspicuous notice of the exemption described under
34 subsection 2 of this section on the website maintained by
35 the relevant licensing authority.

36 5. A licensing authority shall promulgate any
37 necessary rules to implement this section. Any rule or
38 portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section
39 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in
40 this section shall become effective only if it complies with
41 and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and,
42 if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter
43 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with
44 the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to
45 delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule
46 are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of
47 rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after
48 August 28, 2022, shall be invalid and void.

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