

HOUSE BILL 600:

Regulatory Reform Act of 2023, Sec. 45: Modify the Licensing Requirements for Transliterators and Interpreters

Committee: December 11, 2023

Introduced by: Analysis of: Sec. 45 of S.L. 2023-137 Prepared by: Kyle Evans Staff Attorney

OVERVIEW: Section 45 of S.L. 2023-137 modifies the requirements to become a licensed transliterator or interpreter in the State.

This bill was vetoed by the Governor on October 2, 2023, and that veto was overridden by the General Assembly on October 10, 2023. This section became effective on October 10, 2023. The licensing changes made in by this section became effective December 1, 2023, and apply to licenses and provisional licenses issued or renewed by the North Carolina Interpreter and Transliterator Licensing Board after that date.

CURRENT LAW & BILL ANALYSIS:

Chapter 90D, the Interpreter and Transliterator Licensure Act, establishes the North Carolina Interpreter and Transliterator Licensing Board, and outlines the powers of that Board and licensure requirements for the practice of interpreting and transliterating. Currently, G.S. 90D-7 outlines the requirements for full licensure as an interpreter or transliterator, and G.S. 90D-8 outlines the requirements for provisional licensure as an interpreter or transliterator.

Section 45:

- Amends the statutory list of acceptable industry certifications and assessments that an applicant would need to hold to meet full licensure qualifications in this State.
- Amends the statutory requirements to include that an applicant hold at least a two-year associate
 degree in interpreting and amend the list of acceptable industry certifications, classifications, and
 assessments that an applicant would need to hold to meet provisional licensure qualifications in
 this State.

The section also directs the North Carolina Interpreter and Transliterator Licensing Board to adopt temporary rules to implement these changes and specifies those temporary rules would remain effective until permanent rules become effective as a replacement.

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