HOUSE BILL 1218

By Potts

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 32; Title 62; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to occupational licensing.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62, Chapter 76, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:
 - (a) Notwithstanding any other provision for the reinstatement of licenses under this title, an expired license to practice a profession or occupation in accordance with this title may be reinstated upon:
 - (1) The submission of an application acceptable to the licensing entity;
 - (2) Payment of the full renewal fee for an active license; and
 - (3) Payment of any reinstatement penalty that may be required by the licensing entity.
 - (b) As used in this section, "expired license" means a professional or occupational license that is no longer valid due to retirement or illness. "Expired license" does not mean a professional or occupational license that has been suspended or revoked, or where a person formerly licensed under this title has failed to adhere to the requirements for licensure renewal or prior reinstatement.
 - (c) This section applies to licenses that have been expired for ten (10) years or less.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

- (a) Notwithstanding any other provision for the reinstatement of licenses under this title, an expired license to practice a profession or occupation in accordance with this title may be reinstated upon:
 - (1) The submission of an application acceptable to the licensing entity;
 - (2) Payment of the full renewal fee for an active license; and
 - (3) Payment of any reinstatement penalty that may be required by the licensing entity.
- (b) As used in this section, "expired license" means a professional or occupational license that is no longer valid due to retirement or illness. "Expired license" does not mean a professional or occupational license that has been suspended or revoked, or where a person formerly licensed under this title has failed to adhere to the requirements for licensure renewal or prior reinstatement.
- (c) This section applies to licenses that have been expired for ten (10) years or less.
- SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.