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HOUSE BILL 1946

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58; Title 62 and Title 63, relative to occupational training.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE: SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 3, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a)

(1) Members of the United States armed forces and persons who are honorably discharged veterans are eligible to receive equivalent credit toward the receipt of an occupational license relating to the training received. In order to receive credit in accordance with this subdivision (a)(1), the member of the armed forces or honorably discharged veteran must submit as evidence of service a certificate from:

(A) The United States department of defense; or

(B) The United States department of veterans' affairs; and

(2) As used in this subsection (a):

(A) "Honorably discharged veteran" means any person who has been honorably discharged from the army, navy, air force, marine corps, or coast guard, or any person who has been honorably discharged from a reserve component as defined in 10 U.S.C. § 10101, having performed active federal service in the armed forces of the United States; and

(B) "Member of the armed forces" means a member of the UnitedStates armed forces or a member of a reserve or Tennessee national

guard unit who is in, or was called into, active service or active military service of the United States, as defined in § 58-1-102.

(b) The commissioner of veterans services shall promulgate rules to effectuate the purposes of subsection (a). All rules must be promulgated in accordance with the provisions of the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, chapter 5.

SECTION 2. For the purpose of promulgating rules, this act shall take effect July 1, 2020, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect January 1, 2021.