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HOUSE BILL **234**

AN ACT relative to occupational and professional boards and commissions procedures concerning military service and occupational experience or training.

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COMMITTEE: Executive Departments and Administration

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires boards and commissions granting licenses, certificates, or registrations to credit acceptable military education, training, or service to grant inactive status of licenses, certificates, or registrations during active military service; and to facilitate the issuance of licenses, certificates, or registrations for a spouse of a member of the armed forces.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through~~].
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 117:1 Occupations and Professions; Military Training or Experience; Spouses. RSA 332-G:7 is
2 repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

3 332-G:7 Military Service; Occupational Experience or Training; Spouses.

4 I. Each of the boards or commissions established in this title shall, upon presentation of
5 satisfactory evidence with an application for licensure, certification, or registration, accept education,
6 training, or service completed by an individual as a member of the armed forces, as defined in
7 RSA 21:50, II, toward the qualifications required to receive the license, certificate, or registration in
8 question.

9 II. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, upon the request of a
10 licensee or registration or certificate holder who is a member of any reserve component of the armed
11 forces of the United States or the national guard and is called to active duty, the corresponding board
12 or commission shall place the person's license registration, or certificate on inactive status. The
13 license registration, or certificate may be reactivated within one year of the person's release from
14 active status by payment of the renewal fee and with proof of completion of the most current
15 continuing education requirement, if any, unless still within the renewal period.

16 III. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, each of the boards or
17 commissions under this title authorized to conduct licensure, certification, or registration, and
18 examinations therefor, shall upon the presentation of satisfactory evidence by an applicant before
19 the board or commission, facilitate the issuance of a license or certification for a person: (i) who is
20 certified or licensed in a state other than New Hampshire; (ii) whose spouse is a member of the
21 armed forces in the United States; (iii) whose spouse is the subject of a military transfer to
22 New Hampshire; and (iv) who left employment to accompany a spouse to New Hampshire. The
23 procedure shall include, but not be limited to, facilitating the issuance of a license, certificate, or
24 registration if, in the opinion of the board or commission, the requirements for licensure,
25 certification, or registration of such other state are substantially equivalent to the requirements for
26 licensure, certification, or registration in New Hampshire.

27 IV. Every board or commission under this title shall adopt rules, when applicable, under

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1 RSA 541-A for:

2 (a) What constitutes military education, training, or service acceptable for the specific
3 regulated occupation or profession, as required under paragraph I.

4 (b) The procedures and notice required for the inactive status of licenses, certificates, or
5 registrations under paragraph II.

6 (c) Procedures for facilitating issuance of licenses, certificates, or registrations for a
7 spouse of a member of the armed forces as required in paragraph III.

8 117:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

9 Approved: June 16, 2014

10 Effective Date: August 15, 2014