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HOUSE BILL ***1368***

AN ACT relative to consideration of criminal records for occupational and professional licensing.

SPONSORS: Rep. Heffron, Rock 18

COMMITTEE: Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services

AMENDED ANALYSIS

 This bill prohibits certain regulatory boards and commissions from denying a license to any person because of a prior conviction of a crime in and of itself.

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 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen

AN ACT relative to consideration of criminal records for occupational and professional
licensing.

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

1 302:1 New Section; Criminal Conviction. Amend RSA 332-G by inserting after section 9 the
2 following new section:

3 332-G:10 Criminal Conviction. No board or commission shall disqualify a person from
4 practicing, pursuing, or engaging in any occupation, trade, vocation, profession, or business for which
5 a license, permit, certificate, or registration is required under this title, nor suspend or revoke such
6 license, certificate, or registration because of a prior conviction of a crime in and of itself. However, a
7 board or commission may deny a license or certificate, or the renewal of a license or certificate, or
8 may suspend or revoke such license or certificate, because of a prior conviction after considering the
9 nature of the crime and whether there is a substantial and direct relationship to the occupation,
10 trade, vocation, or profession for which the person has applied, and may consider information about
11 the rehabilitation of the convicted person, and the amount of time that has passed since the
12 conviction or release.

13 302:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2015.

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15 Approved: August 1, 2014

16 Effective Date: January 1, 2015