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Concurrent Resolution

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Resolution Number 104

To suspend various sections of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and those portions of the Louisiana Administrative Code as they may impose certain mandatory requirements for the continuation of any licensure or certification for any individual while in the active military service of the United States or any of its allies.

Whereas, the Legislature of Louisiana has enacted various statutes which require individuals to meet certain mandatory, periodic requirements for the continuation of their professional or occupational license or certification; and

Whereas, the Legislature of Louisiana has directed various professional and occupational board or commissions to require these individuals to fulfill these requirements on an annual basis in order to maintain their license or certification in good standing; and

Whereas, the various boards and commissions may require a minimum amount of continuing education, payment of fees, and the completion of an annual application for licensure; and

Whereas, many Louisiana citizens who maintain a professional or occupational license in this state are currently involved in active military service for the United States or any of its allies; and

Whereas, it has become necessary that these brave men and women must forsake their normal, daily careers in order to serve in the active military service of the United States or any of its allies; and

Whereas, it would be an injustice for these individuals to have their professional or occupational license or certification suspended or terminated due to their inability to meet certain mandatory requirements; and

Whereas, under the authority of R.S. 49:969 and Article III, Section 20 of the Constitution of Louisiana, the legislature may suspend any law, rules, or regulation.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Legislature of Louisiana hereby suspend those portions of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and those portions of the Louisiana Administrative Code as they may pertain to various mandatory, periodic requirements for the continuation of any professional or occupational license or certification for any individual in the active military service of the United State of any of its allies.

Be it further resolved that every professional or occupational board or commission is hereby directed not to enforce any provision which would require any individual in active military service of the United States or any of its allies to meet certain mandatory requirements for the continuation or renewal of their license or certification, including the payment of any fees, application for renewal, or continuing education requirements.

Be it further resolved that a license or certificated holder who is in the active military services of the United States or any of its allies shall notify the appropriate board or commission of his current military status as soon as is reasonably possible after he receives notice of this suspension.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to each professional or occupation board or commission in the state of Louisiana.

John J. Hainkel, Jr.
Senate President
and
Charlie DeWitt
Speaker of the House of Representatives

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