

CHAPTER 47

EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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AN ACT**CONCERNING EDUCATOR LICENSES ISSUED TO MILITARY SPOUSES.**

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-60.5-201, **amend** (3)(b)(I)(B); and **add** (3)(b)(III) as follows:

22-60.5-201. Types of teacher licenses issued - term - definition - rules.
(3) (b) (I) The department of education may issue a professional teacher license to any applicant from another state if:

(B) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (3)(b)(III) OF THIS SECTION, the applicant has had at least three years of continuous, successful, evaluated experience as a teacher in an established elementary or secondary school and can provide documentation of such experience on forms provided by the department.

(III) (A) IF THE APPLICANT IS A MILITARY SPOUSE, THE TEACHING EXPERIENCE REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3)(b)(I)(B) OF THIS SECTION NEED NOT BE CONTINUOUS, BUT MUST HAVE OCCURRED WITHIN THE PREVIOUS SEVEN YEARS.

(B) AS USED IN SUBSECTION (3)(b)(III)(A) OF THIS SECTION, "MILITARY SPOUSE" MEANS A SPOUSE OF AN ACTIVE DUTY MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES WHO HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED OR IS SCHEDULED TO BE TRANSFERRED TO COLORADO, IS DOMICILED IN COLORADO, OR HAS MOVED TO COLORADO ON A PERMANENT CHANGE-OF-STATION BASIS.

Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-60.5-210, **amend** (3)(b)(I)(B); and **add** (3)(b)(III) as follows:

22-60.5-210. Types of special services licenses issued - term - definition.

(3) (b) (I) The department of education may issue a professional special services license to any applicant from another state if:

(B) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (3)(b)(III) OF THIS SECTION, the applicant has had at least three years of continuous, successful, evaluated experience as a special services provider in an established elementary or secondary school and can provide documentation of such experience on forms provided by the department.

(III) (A) IF THE APPLICANT IS A MILITARY SPOUSE, THE SPECIAL SERVICES PROVIDER EXPERIENCE REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3)(b)(I)(B) OF THIS SECTION NEED NOT BE CONTINUOUS, BUT MUST HAVE OCCURRED WITHIN THE PREVIOUS SEVEN YEARS.

(B) AS USED IN SUBSECTION (3)(b)(III)(A) OF THIS SECTION, "MILITARY SPOUSE" MEANS A SPOUSE OF AN ACTIVE DUTY MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES WHO HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED OR IS SCHEDULED TO BE TRANSFERRED TO COLORADO, IS DOMICILED IN COLORADO, OR HAS MOVED TO COLORADO ON A PERMANENT CHANGE-OF-STATION BASIS.

SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 8, 2018, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2018); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: March 22, 2018