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A BILL FOR AN ACT CONCERNING REMOVING REDUNDANT LANGUAGE IN THE EDUCATOR LICENSING STATUTE REGARDING REQUIREMENTS FOR OUT-OF-STATE APPLICANTS.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov/.)

Statutory Revision Committee. The bill removes amendments House Bill 18-1095 made to the educator licensing statute regarding the number of years a military spouse licensed in another state must teach continuously or have continuous experience in order to apply for a professional teacher license or professional special services license in

Colorado.

House Bill 18-1130 amended statute to apply the same standards to all out-of-state applicants as apply to military spouses. The bill removes the redundant and possibly confusing reference to military spouses in the professional teacher license statute and the professional special services license statute.

I	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
2	SECTION 1. Legislative declaration. (1) The general assembly
3	hereby finds and declares that the purpose of this legislation is to remove
4	redundant and confusing references to an exception in the "continuous
5	experience" requirement for out-of-state teacher and special services
6	license applicants that was added during the 2018 legislative session.
7	(2) The general assembly further declares that removing these
8	references does not in any way alter the scope or applicability of the
9	statutory sections in which the references appear.
10	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-60.5-201, amend
11	(3)(b)(I)(B); and repeal (3)(b)(III) as follows:
12	22-60.5-201. Types of teacher licenses issued - term - rules.
13	(3) (b) (I) The department of education may issue a professional teacher
14	license to any applicant from another state if:
15	(B) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3)(b)(III) of this
16	section, The applicant has had at least three years of successful, evaluated
17	experience within the previous seven years as a teacher in an established
18	elementary or secondary school and can provide documentation of such
19	experience on forms provided by the department.
20	(III) (A) If the applicant is a military spouse, the teaching
21	experience required pursuant to subsection (3)(b)(I)(B) of this section

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1	years.
2	(B) As used in subsection (3)(b)(III)(A) of this section, "military
3	spouse" means a spouse of an active duty member of the armed forces of
4	the United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be
5	transferred to Colorado, is domiciled in Colorado, or has moved to
6	Colorado on a permanent change-of-station basis.
7	SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-60.5-210, amend
8	(3)(b)(I)(B); and repeal (3)(b)(III) as follows:
9	22-60.5-210. Types of special services licenses issued - term.
10	(3) (b) (I) The department of education may issue a professional special
11	services license to any applicant from another state if:
12	(B) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3)(b)(III) of this
13	section, The applicant has had at least three years of successful, evaluated
14	experience within the previous seven years as a special services provider
15	in an established elementary or secondary school and can provide
16	documentation of such experience on forms provided by the department.
17	(III) (A) If the applicant is a military spouse, the special services
18	provider experience required pursuant to subsection (3)(b)(I)(B) of this
19	section need not be continuous, but must have occurred within the
20	previous seven years.
21	(B) As used in subsection (3)(b)(III)(A) of this section, "military
22	spouse" means a spouse of an active duty member of the armed forces of
23	the United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be
24	transferred to Colorado, is domiciled in Colorado, or has moved to
25	Colorado on a permanent change-of-station basis.
26	SECTION 4. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,

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- determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
- 2 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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