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LLS NO. 20-0070.02 Kristen Forrestal x4217

**HOUSE BILL 20-1241**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF A PROFESSIONAL LICENSE TO A PERSON**  
102              **WHO IS LEGALLY AUTHORIZED TO WORK IN THE UNITED**  
103              **STATES.**

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**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>.)*

The bill requires the Colorado supreme court to issue a license to practice law and the department of education to issue a teacher license if, in either situation, the license applicant otherwise meets the licensing requirements and:

!      The person has a current and valid employment

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

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Amended 2nd Reading  
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- authorization document issued by the United States citizenship and immigration services;
- ! The person is lawfully present in the United States; and
- ! The person was issued a social security number by the United States social security administration.

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

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3 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-60.5-201, **add** (6)  
4 as follows:

5 **22-60.5-201. Types of teacher licenses issued - term - rules.**

6 (6) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE A LICENSE TO A PERSON WHO, IN  
7 ADDITION TO FULFILLING THE APPLICABLE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS IN  
8 THIS SECTION, SATISFIES THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

9 (a) THE PERSON HAS A CURRENT AND VALID EMPLOYMENT  
10 AUTHORIZATION DOCUMENT ISSUED BY THE UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP  
11 AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES OR ITS SUCCESSOR AGENCY;

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13 (b) THE PERSON HAS BEEN ISSUED A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER BY  
14 THE UNITED STATES SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION; OR

15 (c) THE PERSON IS A UNITED STATES CITIZEN, A LEGAL  
16 PERMANENT RESIDENT, OR IS OTHERWISE LAWFULLY PRESENT IN THE  
17 UNITED STATES PURSUANT TO FEDERAL LAW AS DOCUMENTED BY A VALID  
18 IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENT REQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

19 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date -**  
20 **applicability.** (1) This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following  
21 the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the  
22 general assembly (August 5, 2020, if adjournment sine die is on May 6,  
23 2020); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1

1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section,  
2 or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part  
3 will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election  
4 to be held in November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the  
5 date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

6 (2) This act applies to licenses issued on or after the applicable  
7 effective date of this act.