DIGEST

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HB 422 Engrossed

2020 Regular Session

Emerson

Abstract: Allows licensing authorities to issue licenses to applicants who meet certain requirements, including the completion of an apprenticeship.

Proposed law defines "licensing", "licensing authority", and "apprenticeship".

<u>Proposed law</u> allows licensing authorities to issue a license to any applicant who meets all of the following criteria:

- (1) Has completed an apprenticeship.
- (2) Has passed an examination, if one is deemed necessary.
- (3) Has paid any fees deemed necessary.

<u>Proposed law</u> allows licensing authorities to establish a passing score for examinations, and the score cannot be more than the score required under the standard licensing processes.

If a licensing authority chooses to offer a license through an apprenticeship program, <u>proposed law</u> prevents the licensing authorities from requiring those applicants who complete an apprenticeship to pay any fees or take any examinations that other applicants are not required to comply with..

If a licensing authority chooses to offer a license through an apprenticeship program, <u>proposed law</u> prevents the licensing authorities from requiring applicants who complete an apprenticeship to complete more hours than other applicants, except as provided for in <u>present law</u>.

Proposed law allows the licensing authority to adopt rules for implementation.

Effective Jan. 1, 2021.

(Adds R.S. 37:3721-3723)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Commerce to the original bill:

1.	Remove mandates on the licensing authorities and make compliance with the proposed
	apprenticeship program optional.

2. Make technical changes.