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SENATE BILL NO. 283

BY SENATOR HEWITT

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MILITARY AFFAIRS. Provides for application by certain military personnel to be certified as a licensed professional engineer in Louisiana. (8/1/16)

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 37:3651(A)(1) relative to professions and occupations; to
3	provide for trained military personnel applying for certification as a professional
4	engineer; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 37:3651(A)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§3651. Licensure for individuals with military training and experience;
8	licensure by endorsement for military spouses; temporary
9	license; expedited process
10	A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a professional
11	or occupational licensing board shall issue a license, certification, or registration to
12	a military-trained applicant to allow the applicant to lawfully practice the applicant's
13	occupation in this state if, upon application to the board, the applicant satisfies all of
14	the following conditions:
15	(1) Has completed a military program of training, been awarded a military
16	occupational specialty, and performed in that specialty at a level that is substantially
17	equivalent to or exceeds the requirements for licensure, certification, or registration

of the professional or occupational licensing board for which the applicant is seeking licensure, certification, or registration in this state, provided the applicant has otherwise met all of the minimum requirements of the licensing board.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Heyward Jeffers.

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<u>Present law</u> provides that a military-trained applicant shall be issued a license, certification, or registration by the state engineering board if the applicant has received a military occupation specialty in engineering.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that armed forces personnel who have received military training in engineering and have a military occupation specialty in engineering may apply for state certification as a professional engineer but must satisfy the certifying board's minimum requirement standards.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Amends R.S. 37:3651(A)(1))